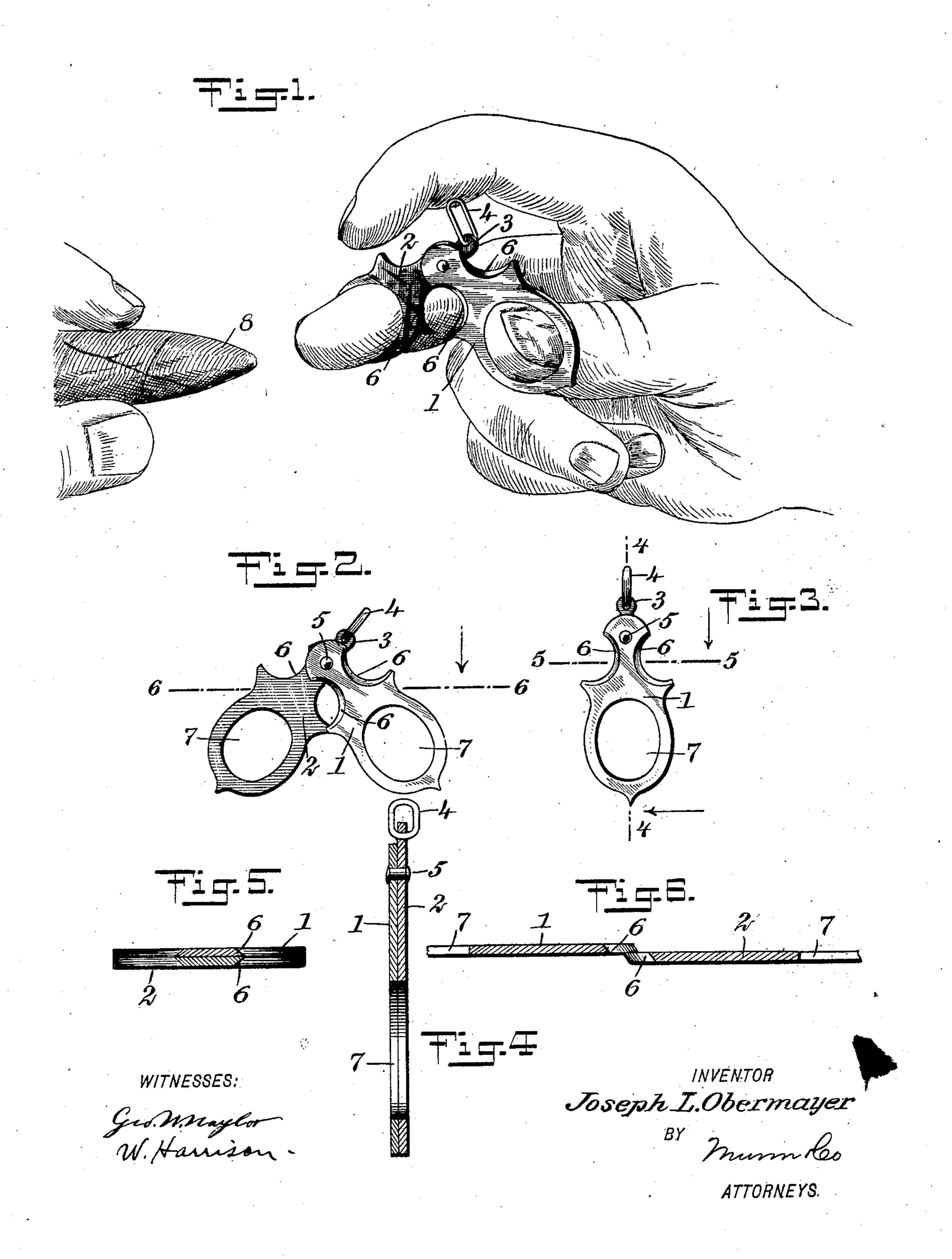
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DOUBLE CIGAR-CUTTER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph L. Obermayer, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Double Cigar-Cutter, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

10 My invention relates to cigar-cutters of the type carried in the pocket, my more particular object being to provide the cutter with a large number of cutting edges so disposed as to enable different pairs of them to be used independently of other pairs, the arrangement being such that when the cutter is folded and ready to be carried in the pocket the cutting edges are so disposed as to be harmless.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my improved cutter as held by the operator for the purpose of cutting a cigar. Fig. 2 is a plan view showing the cutter in position ready to receive and to cut the ends of a 3° cigar. Fig. 3 is a plan view showing the cutter as folded and ready to be carried in the pocket. Fig. 4 is an enlarged vertical section upon the line 4 4 of Fig. 3 looking in the direction of the arrow and showing the cut-35 ter as folded. Fig. 5 is an enlarged section upon the line 5 5 of Fig. 3 looking in the direction of the arrow and showing how the cutting edges are rendered harmless when the cutter is folded, and Fig. 6 is an enlarged 4° section upon the line 6 6 of Fig. 2 looking in the direction of the arrow and showing the relative arrangement of the shearing members when the device is ready for action.

Two shearing members 1 2 are each given

45 substantially the form of a shield. The
member 2 is provided with an eye 3, into
which is inserted a link 4 for enabling the deto be suspended from a chain or placed
upon a key-ring or the like, if desired. The

50 shearing members 1 2 are pivoted together
by means of a pin 5. Each of the shearing
members 1 2 is provided with beveled cutting edges 6, these beveled edges upon each
shearing member being concaved and being

55 disposed oppositely in pairs, as will be understood from Fig. 3. The shearing members 1

2 are also provided with apertures 7 for allowing the insertion of the thumb and fingers of the operator, as indicated in Fig. 1.

The operation of my device is as follows: 60 When the cutter is to be carried in the pocket, the shearing members 1 and 2 are brought into registry with each other, as indicated in Fig. 3. While in this position the beveled cutting edges 6 of one member form obtuse 65 angles with the corresponding beveled edges 6 of the other member, as may be seen by inspecting Fig. 5. The cutting edges are thus to all intents and purposes rendered blunt and incapable of cutting so long as the device 70 remains folded, as indicated in Figs. 2, 3, and If now the operator desires to cut a cigar, he moves the shearing members 1 2 substantially into the relative position indicated in Fig. 2 and inserts his thumb and one finger 75 through the aperture 7, as indicated in Fig. 1. The end of the cigar 8 being now inserted between the cutting edges 6 the operator squeezes the shearing members toward each other somewhat after the manner of working 80 a pair of scissors, and thus clips the end of the cigar. It will be observed, however, that as each shearing member 1 2 has oppositelydisposed cutting edges 6 the shearing members in question can be swung past each 85 other in two directions relatively to the normal position indicated in Fig. 3—that is to say, in Fig. 3, for instance, the shearing member 1 may be moved either to the right or to the left relatively to the other shearing mem- 90 ber, and according to the direction of this movement the one pair or the other pair of oppositely-disposed cutting edges 6 is brought into requisition. To explain further, referring to Fig. 2, it will be seen that the shear- 95 ing member 1 is to the right of the shearing member 2. It is obvious that by forcing the shearing members toward each other the device should take the position indicated in Fig. 3, the shearing members being now in 100 exact registry with each other. If now the shearing member 1 be moved to the left and the shearing member 2 be moved to the right, it is obvious that the relative position of the shearing members 1 and 2 will be dif- 105 ferent from that shown in Fig. 2, and it is also obvious that the device is ready for use, although different cutting edges 6 are now brought into requisition. The cigar-cutter has therefore two pairs of cutting edges, 110 only one pair being in use at a time. Such being the case, the length of service performed by the cutter before the necessity for sharpening is doubled as compared with the service rendered by a cutter of ordinary construction.

By giving each shearing member 1 2 substantially the form of a shear, as shown, provision is easily made for the location of the concave cutting edges 6 and the device is also rendered ornamental.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A cigar-cutter, comprising a pair of shearing members pivotally connected together, each of said shearing members being provided with separate cutting edges directed oppositely, each cutting edge of each shearing member mating a particular cutting edge of the other shearing member.

20 2. A device of the character described, comprising a pair of shearing members each provided with a finger-hole, and being further provided with a pair of cutting edges disposed upon opposite sides thereof, the general contour of said cutting edges being con-

3. In a device of the character described, the combination of a pair of shearing members, and a pivot connecting the same together so that either of said shearing mem-

bers may be rotated completely around said pivot as a center, each of said shearing members being provided with two oppositely-dis-

posed cutting edges.

4. A device of the character described, 35 comprising a pair of shearing members, each provided with two oppositely-disposed cutting edges and with a finger-hole, and a pivot connecting said shearing members together at a point immediately adjacent to said cutting edges so that the cutting edges of each shearing member are located intermediate of the finger-hole of that member and said pivot.

5. A device of the character described, 45 comprising a pair of shearing members, each being provided adjacent to one of its ends with a finger-hole, the opposite ends of said shearing members being pivotally connected together, each of said shearing members being provided at a point intermediate of its finger-hole and said pivotal connection with a pair of oppositely-disposed cutting edges.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of 55

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