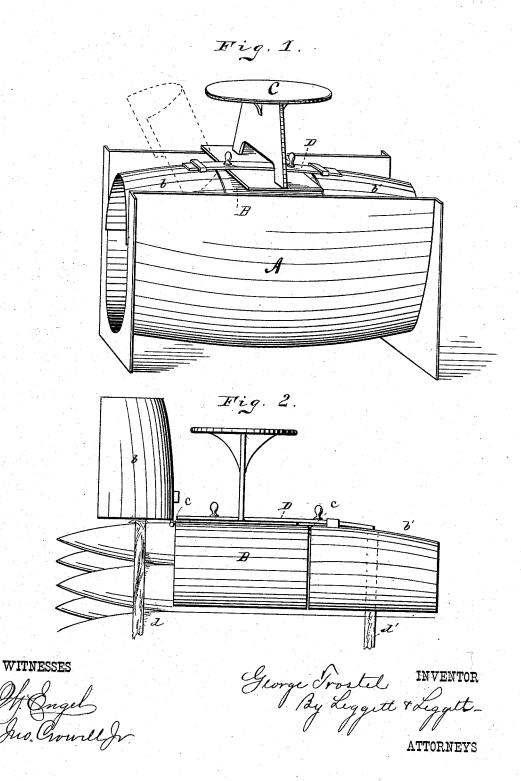
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CIGAR PRESS.

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CIGAR-PRESS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE TROSTEL, of Springfield, in the county of Clarke and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Presses; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to presses, and more particularly to that class known and used as a "cigar-press," the peculiar construction of which will be fully hereinafter described and

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my device with one end of the cover or plate shown in dotted lines in an open position. Fig. 2 represents the cover of the press with one end raised.

A represents a receptacle made of any suitable material. It is open at the top and ends, the center portion bulging out in the form of a barrel. This receptacle may rest on legs or a plate, as shown in the drawings. A cover or platen, B, of a concave form, is adapted to pass down the inside of the receptacle and press down on the cigars. This cover is divided into three parts. The two ends bb' are secured to the center portion by means of hinges c, or in any other suitable manner, so that they may be raised and lowered. To the center portion is secured a handle or knob, C, of suitable form, to which the pressure is applied.

Having thus described the peculiar construc-35 tion of my device, I will now set forth the manner of using the same. Two ribbons, d and d', are placed in the receptacle A, upon which are placed the desirable number of eigars. The cover B is then inserted into the receptacle and pressed down 40 with sufficient force to pack the eigars well. The latch D is then withdrawn from the socket at one end of the cover, and that portion of the cover is raised. This will give free access to the ribbon, so that it can readily be secured 45 around the eigars. The cover is then lowered, and the latch is withdrawn from the socket at the other end. The cover is raised, and the ribbon is fastened around the eigars, which completes the process of pressing and securing the eigars in a bundle.

What I claim is-

1. In a cigar-press, the combination, with the receptacle open at its ends, of a platen or cover whose ends may be raised independently of each other, substantially as set forth.

2. In a cigar-press, the combination, with a receptacle adapted to receive cigars, of a cover having hinged ends, and a latch for locking said ends in position, substantially as set forth. 60

3. In a cigar-press, the combination, with the receptacle, of the cover provided with hinged ends, a latch for locking said ends in closed position, and a knob or handle adapted to receive pressure, substantially as set forth. 65

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

GEORGE TROSTEL.

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