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Fig. 1.

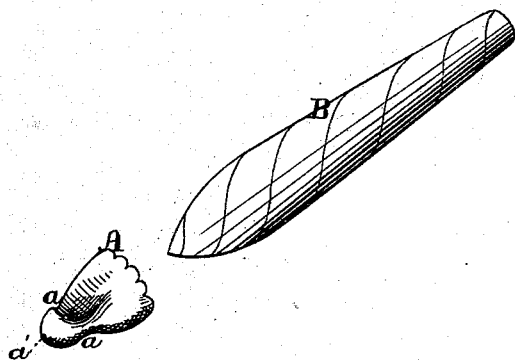
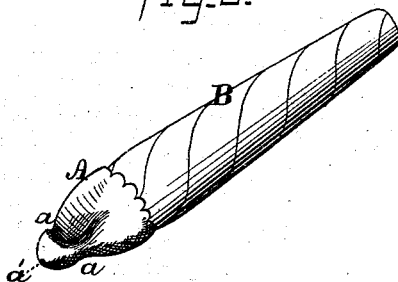


Fig. 2.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN CIGARS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, STEPHEN S. WILCOX and CHARLES F. CARR, of Adel, Dallas county, State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Head Attachments; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of our improved attachment separate from a cigar, and Fig. 2 is a like view of the same as combined with a cigar.

Letters of like name and kind refer to like parts in each of the figures.

In the use of tobacco for smoking purposes it is well known that great objection is found to cigars by many in consequence of the, to them, unpleasant taste of the tobacco when brought into direct contact with the lips; and, further, with others, to whom the taste is not objectionable, the retention of the end of a cigar within the mouth is open to another objection, because of its liability to become unwrapped and loosened by the mechanical action of the lips. Again, in the manufacture of cigars the most difficult portion of the operation consists in finishing the small end, and many cigars afterward become worthless in consequence of the loosening of the wrapper at such point. To obviate these objections and produce a cigar which may be burned to its end without inconvenience to its user is the design of our invention, which consists, as a new article of manufacture, in a cigar provided at its smaller end with an inclosing permanently-attached mouth-piece, substantially as and for the purpose hereinafter specified.

In the annexed drawing, A represents our mouth-piece constructed from metal or other suitable material, and having exteriorly and interiorly the general form of the small or

pointed end of a cigar. Exteriorly the mouth-piece A is concaved at opposite points, *a* and *a'*, near its small end, for the purpose of enabling its user to hold it firmly in the mouth; and at said end is provided an opening, *a'*, which passes longitudinally inward and furnishes a passage for smoke. The mouth-piece thus constructed is placed over and permanently secured to the small end of a cigar, B, by means of any suitable adhesive preparation, and becomes part of said cigar, to be sold with the same and thrown away after use.

In constructing cigars, by the use of our mouth-piece we avoid the necessity of pointing and finishing the small end, it being only necessary to make said end of such size as to permit it to enter said mouth-piece, where it is confined and prevented from becoming loosened and unwrapped. After wrapping, said end may be clipped in the same manner as the large end.

By use of our mouth-piece the tobacco of a cigar is prevented from coming into contact with the lips, and said tobacco can be burned much more closely than in the ordinary manner, while its attachment to and use with cigars will not appreciably increase their cost.

Having thus fully set forth the nature and merits of our invention, what we claim is—

As a new article of manufacture, a cigar, B, provided at its small end with an inclosing permanently-attached mouth-piece, A *a a'*, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands this 5th day of March, 1875.

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