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Marking of Plug-Tobacco.

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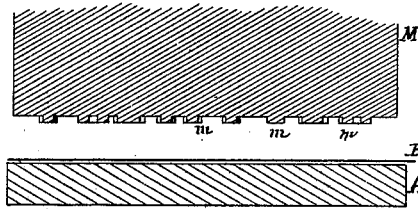


Fig. 1

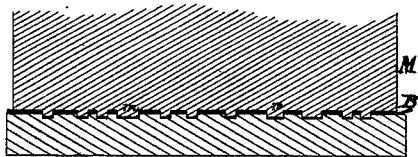


Fig. 2.

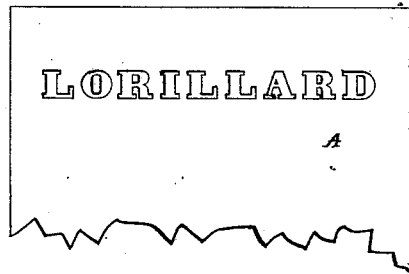


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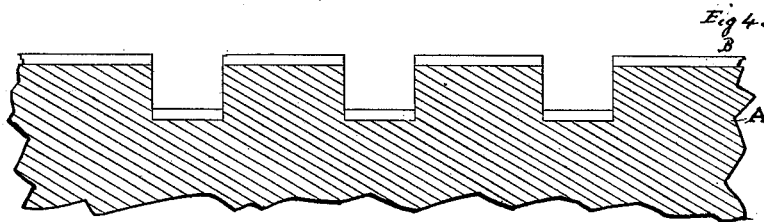


Fig. 4.

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IMPROVEMENT IN THE MARKING OF PLUG-TOBACCO.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES SIEDLER, of Jersey City, Hudson county, in the State of New Jersey, doing business in New York city, in the State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements relating to Impressed or Distinctively-Marked Tobacco, of which the following is a specification:

My invention relates to improvements in marking plug-tobacco; and it consists of a plug of tobacco having letters or figures impressed into it made of tobacco of a different color or shade from the body of the plug, as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a cross-section through a plug of tobacco, with a leaf of tobacco of a different hue placed on its upper face to be impressed therein by a die shown in cross-section. Fig. 2 represents the same parts after the die has been depressed and the leaf of tobacco forced into the plug. Fig. 3 is a face view of a plug after the letters or figures have been impressed into the plug, and Fig. 4 is a cross-section through the indentations of a plug on a larger scale. It shows the plug after the die has been withdrawn and before the superfluous leaf has been removed.

Similar letters indicate like parts in all the figures:

In the drawings, A represents the body of the plug; B, a thin sheet or leaf of tobacco placed thereon, of a different shade or color from that of the plug; and M represents the

die provided with the projections *m*, which cut out and sink the small portions of the leaf B into the plug.

Gelatine or other equivalent substance may be applied to the lower face of the leaf of tobacco, to prevent that part of it not impressed into the plug from adhering thereto.

After the figures or letters are sunk into the tobacco the remaining portions of the leaf not impressed therein are removed.

It is obvious that in carrying out my invention the plug may be of dark tobacco with the impressed letters of a lighter hue, or, vice versa, the plug may be of light tobacco and the hue of the leaf-tobacco forming the figures or letters sunk therein may be dark, it being only necessary that the hue of the letters or figures impressed into the plug should differ from the hue or color of the plug.

The die is preferably heated when operated, to cause the letters or figures to adhere better to the tobacco.

I claim as my invention—

A plug of tobacco having letters or figures impressed into it of tobacco of a different color or shade from the body of the plug, as herein specified.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of December, 1876, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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