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PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION.

An Improvement in Cigarette and like Cases.

I, HARRY LAMBERT SYMONDS, of the Firm of S. Mordan and Company, of 41 City Road, in the County of London, Manufacturers, do hereby declare the nature of this invention to be as follows:—

This invention relates to an improvement in cigarette and like cases, whereby 5 the same can be opened, or closed, without risk of catching and damaging the ends of any of the cigarettes, or other articles, and without requiring any special means, such as elastic bands or springs, to keep the articles in position.

According to the said invention, the body of the case has one of its halves or 10 sides longer than the other, the longer of which projects a short distance beyond the ends of the cigarettes, or other articles, and the edges of the said halves or sides are at right angles, or approximately so to the plane of the case.

The lid forms a continuation of the shorter half or side, and is hinged or jointed thereto by any suitable spring hinge or joint, there being a central division line along each edge of the case where the lid abuts against the longer side or half.

15 At its upper part, the lid is formed with a cap or hood which fits against the upper edge of the longer side or top of the case, and this cap or hood forms one end of the case, it being so shaped as to be uniform in appearance with the other end.

By this construction, the lid opens at right angles to the plane of the case, and 20 as the cigarettes, or other articles, do not project beyond the body thereof, there is no liability of their being caught and damaged when opening or closing the lid.

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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

An Improvement in Cigarette and like Cases.

30 I, HARRY LAMBERT SYMONDS, of the Firm of S. Mordan and Company, of 41 City Road, in the County of London, Manufacturers, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement, reference 35 being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters and figures marked thereon, that is to say:—

This invention relates to an improvement in cigarette and like cases, such as cigar cases, card-cases, and match boxes, and is designed to enable the same to be opened, or closed, without risk of catching and damaging the ends of any of the cigarettes, or other articles, and without requiring any special means, such as 40 elastic bands or springs, to keep the articles in position.

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*Symonds's Improvement in Cigarette and like Cases.*

According to my said invention, I provide the cigarette case, or the like, with a lid or flap arranged to open at right angles to the plane of the body thereof, said lid or flap being formed with a cap or hood which constitutes one end of the case. As this cap or hood is moved bodily away by the opening of the lid or flap, the cigarettes, or other articles, can be drawn straight out thus avoiding any risk of their being damaged. The length of the body of the case is, of course, such that the edge of the cap or hood clears the ends of the cigarettes when closing.

The invention will be readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which :—

Figs. 1 and 2 are respectively a side view, and a front view, both in elevation, of a cigarette case constructed in accordance therewith.

Fig. 3 is a vertical section on the line  $x, x$ , Fig. 2, showing the lid or flap partly open; and

Fig. 4 is a perspective view showing the hooded lid or flap detached.  $a$  is the body of the case. One of its halves or sides is longer than the other, the longer side  $a^1$  extending a short distance beyond the ends of the cigarettes, or other articles. The edge  $a^2$  of the short half is at right angles to the plane of the box or case, while the edge  $a^3$  of the longer half is, or may be, slightly inclined.

$b$  is the lid or flap of the case. It forms a continuation of the shorter half or side thereof, and is hinged or jointed thereto in any suitable manner, preferably by a spring hinge  $b^1$ , there being a central division line  $a^x$  along each side of the case where the lid abuts against the longer side or half.

At its upper part, the lid has a turned over portion which forms a cap or hood  $b^2$ , and fits against the upper edge  $a^3$  of the longer side or top of the case. This cap or hood forms one end of the case, it being so shaped as to be uniform in appearance with the other end.

The cigarettes are placed loosely inside the case, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 1, no special fastening being required for them.

By this construction, the lid opens at right angles to the plane of the body of the case, and as the cigarettes, or other articles, do not project beyond such body there is no liability of their being caught and damaged when opening, or closing, the lid.

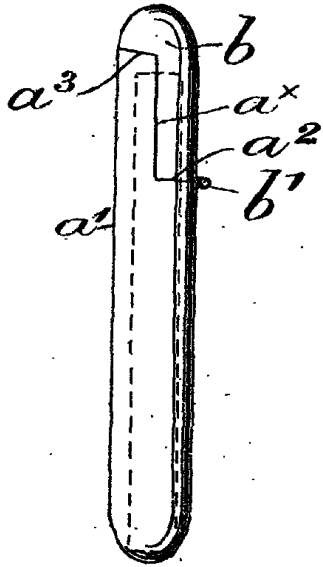
Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is :—

1. A cigarette case, or the like, having its lid or flap arranged to open at right angles to the plane of the body thereof, and which lid or flap is formed with a cap or hood constituting one end of the case, substantially as described.
2. My improved cigarette case, or the like, substantially as hereinbefore described and as shown in the accompanying drawings.

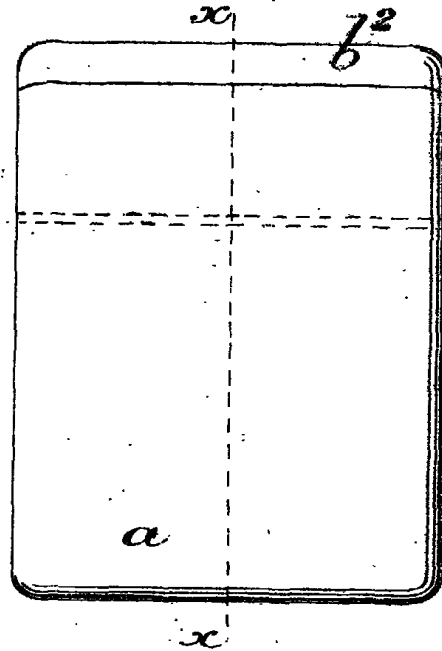
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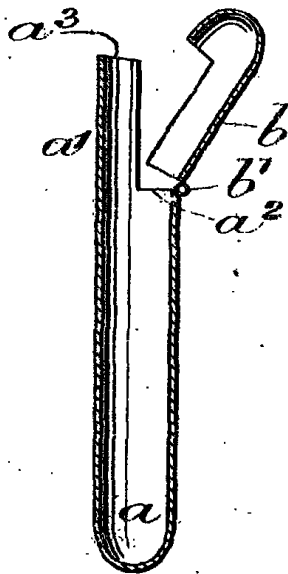
*Fig.1.*



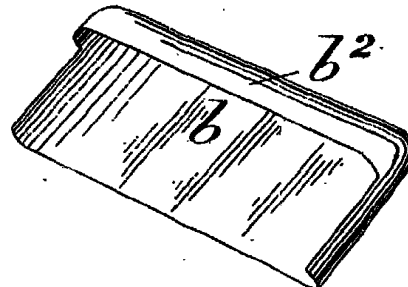
*Fig.2.*



*Fig.3.*



*Fig.4.*



*[This Drawing is a reproduction of the Original on a reduced scale]*

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