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Fig. 1

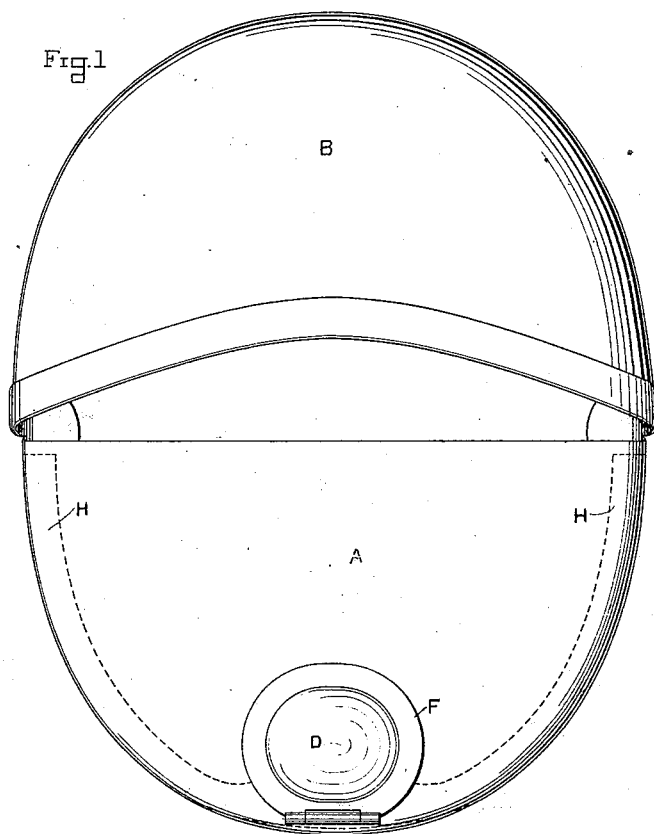


Fig. 2

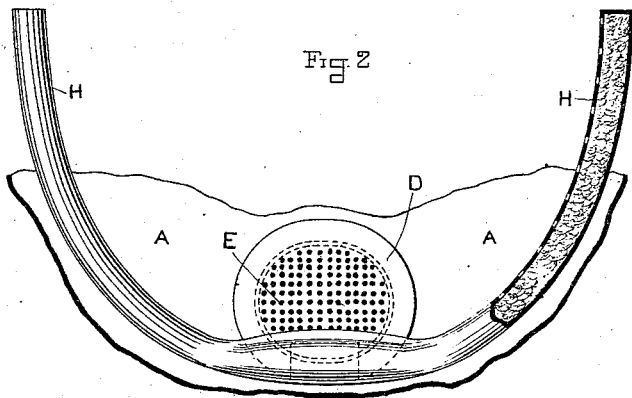
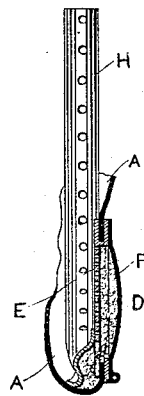


Fig. 3



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## TOBACCO-POUCH.

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### *To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM W. WALKER, of Tuebrook, Lancaster county, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tobacco-Pouches, (for which I have obtained a patent in Great Britain, No. 1,139, dated January 27, 1885,) of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a tobacco-pouch of convenient form, in which the tobacco shall retain the required degree of moisture; and to this end it consists in the improved construction of the pouch provided with an internal receptacle to receive absorbent material charged with moisture.

Figure 1 represents a face view of my pouch as it appears when open. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the lower part of the same, the front being removed to expose the internal receptacle, which is shown partly in vertical section. Fig. 3 is a transverse section through the center of Fig. 2.

The pouch represented in the drawings is of a familiar form, consisting of two pouches or pockets of india rubber or equivalent material connected at one edge in such manner that the one containing the tobacco may be folded within and inclosed by the other.

A and B represent, respectively, the top and bottom pouches.

In applying my improvement I provide the bottom pouch, A, in which the tobacco is placed, on one side with a small chamber or receptacle, D, opening through the outer side or wall of the pouch and closed by means of an externally-hinged lid, F. The chamber or receptacle D has its periphery grooved and adapted to embrace the edge of the pouch, as shown in Fig. 3, whereby it is retained firmly in position. The inner wall of the chamber D is provided with perforations E, communicating with the interior of the pouch, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. To the chamber D, I connect a pipe, H, the two ends of which are curved

outward on opposite sides of the chamber, so as to follow the interior edges of the pouch. This pipe is also provided with a series of perforations in its inner edge, as plainly shown in Figs. 2 and 3. The pipe and the chamber are filled with sponge, cotton, wool, or other suitable absorbent material, and when the pouch is to be used this material is charged with water or other suitable fluid, which, being vaporized by the heat of the body when carried on the person of the user, will find its way through the perforations, permeating the mass of tobacco and keeping the same properly moistened. In the event of the moisture being exhausted, it is only necessary to open the lid F and supply the liquid without removing the tobacco.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In a tobacco-pouch for pocket use, the combination, with the flexible pouch, of the receptacle D, seated in an opening in the wall of the pouch and secured at its edge firmly thereto, said receptacle having its inner wall provided with perforations and its outer side provided with a lid hinged thereto.

2. The pouch consisting of the parts A and B, in combination with the chamber D, having a perforated wall, the perforated pipe H, and the external lid affording access to the chamber, substantially as set forth.

3. In combination with a flexible tobacco-pouch, the rigid distending-tube seated in its edge and provided with openings, and a body of absorbent material within said tube, substantially as described and shown.

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

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