

Most expensive cigar cutter of all time

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It's an 1890s wood and metal cutter meant to sit on top of a cigar store display case. The user inserted his cigar and the machine automatically began spinning the center wheel (pictured above). The payoff was that if the wheel stopped on one of several designated "winning" locations, the customer would get a free cigar!

It was sold at auction in April 2008 and according to the auctioneers, "The piece is one of only three known to exist, and was made more desirable by having the original marquee and dial. It was in fine working order."

It was expected to go for \$30-50,000. But the final price, including the buyer's premium, was \$60,500! Safe to say, the new owner is unlikely to place it in a cigar store again any time soon!