

# METALLURGY

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**EFFECT:** Wow, check out this kicker! Empty hand closes into a fist – you drop in a quarter and have the spectator light a paper match. You take the match and drop it into your fist along with the quarter and immediately a flame fires up out of your first!

“Fire meets metal!” You smile. When you open your fist, a hot quarter is shown in your hand and it has melted in half!

**SET UP:** You need a lot of gimmicks for this bad boy, but if you can pull it off it's worth it. You need:

- A deep thumb tip
- Flash paper
- A matchbook
- A folding quarter
- A pre-prepped bent quarter

**PRESENTATION:** With the flash paper in the thumb tip – have the tip palmed in your hand along with the bent quarter (beside it.)

Drop the folding quarter into the tip and then follow it with the match. The lit match will ignite the flash paper and make a nice flame. (Don't jerk away at this point, the fire won't be around long enough to hurt you.)

Place the thumb tip on – and open your hand to reveal only the bent quarter – while the spectator examines it – ditch the tip in a pocket as it is probably pretty full of junk.