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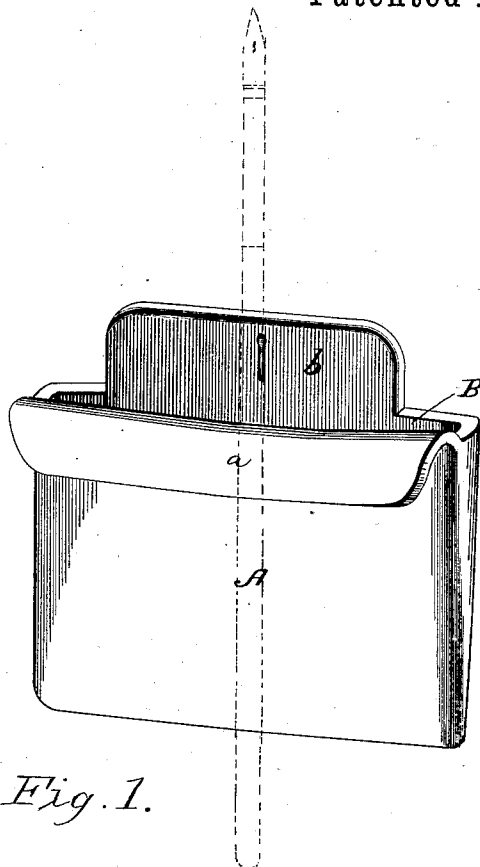


Fig. 1.

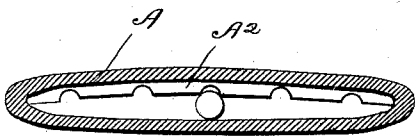


Fig. 2.

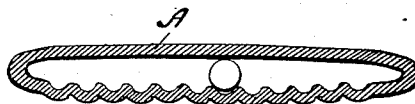


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALLISON M. ROSCOE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dubois, in the county of Clearfield and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pencil-Pockets; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to devices to be secured within the pocket, or to be attached to the garment at any desired point, for holding pens, pencils, instruments of various kinds, and an endless variety of objects which it is not convenient to carry loosely in the pocket.

The object of the invention is the production of a simple, cheap, and efficient device for the above purpose, and one which will be self-securing when placed in the pocket of the garment and will occupy a minimum amount of room.

The improvement consists, essentially, of a holder composed of a front and back united at their ends and open at its top and bottom, a flap connected with the front plate to clamp the edge of the pocket and hold the device in position, and a strip projected upward from the back and forming a guide to direct the pencil, &c., into the holder when thrust quickly therein. The several parts are preferably formed of rubber or similar elastic material, and of one piece.

The improvement further consists in the novel features, hereinafter more fully set forth, claimed, and shown in the annexed drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a holder of my construction embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a horizontal sectional view of a modified form; Fig. 3, a horizontal sectional view of a still further modified form.

The device or holder is composed of the front and back plates, A and B, respectively, secured together at their ends only, so that a space is left between them for the reception of the article or articles to be held. It is open

at its top and bottom, and the flap *a* is connected with the top edge of the plate A, and the guide-strip *b* projects from the back plate, B. The several parts may be independent and secured together; but it is preferred to have them of a single piece and made of rubber or other elastic material. The front and back may be parallel or inclined to each other without departing from the nature of my invention, and in practice it is contemplated to make them both ways.

In practice the holder is placed in the pocket and the upper edge of the latter is clamped between the flap and the front plate thereof, which holds it in position against accidental displacement. The guide-strip directs articles into the holder when quickly thrust therein, and may be provided with a button-hole to pass over a button and secure the device to any part of the garment. To give greater stability and insure a firm gripping of the article by the holder, one of the plates, preferably the front plate, is fluted, as shown in Fig. 3, or a fluted or corrugated strip, A², may extend from the plate, as shown in Fig. 2. The uneven surface presented by either the corrugated strip or the fluted front plate will hold the pencil or analogous article from lateral displacement and more firmly against vertical displacement and better adapts the holder for retaining articles of uneven diameter.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A holder for the purposes described, composed of the front and back plates united at their edges only, having the top and bottom open, the flap secured to the front plate, and the guide-strip projected up from the back plate, substantially as set forth.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, a holder, for the purpose described, consisting of a single piece of elastic material composed of the front and back plates united at their ends only, the flap secured to the front plate, and the guide-strip projected from the back plate, substantially as specified.

3. The herein-described holder composed of the front and back plates, the inner portion of

one of the plates being corrugated substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

4. The herein-described holder, for the purposes described, composed of the front and back plates, one of said plates being fluted, whereby its inner side is corrugated, substantially as described, for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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