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Fig. 1.

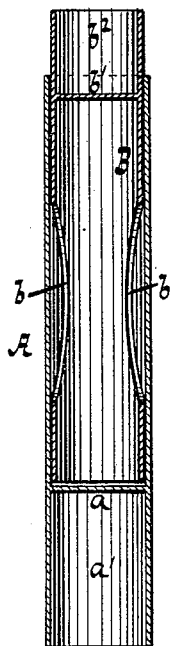
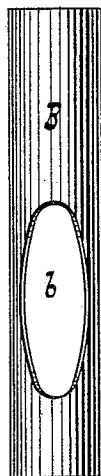


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN F. CARPENTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Roselle, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Holders for Postage-Stamps and other Articles, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a holder in which postage-stamps or other articles can be carried conveniently either in the pocket or by attaching the holder to a watch-chain.

The peculiar and novel construction of my holder is pointed out in the following specification and claims, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a longitudinal central section of my holder in an enlarged scale. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the receptacle detached.

My holder is composed of a tube or receiver A and a receptacle B, which fits the receiver A snugly and is retained therein by frictional contact, so that it can be withdrawn and reinserted by applying sufficient power to overcome the friction, but it is retained sufficiently tight to prevent it from dropping out accidentally. The receiver A is provided with a head or bottom *a*; but this bottom is secured in the interior of the receiver at some distance from its end, so as to form a socket *a'*, by means of which the receiver may be attached to the end of a lead-pencil or of a pen-holder. The receptacle B is provided with finger-holes *b b* in its sides and with a head *b'*, which is secured in the interior of the receptacle at some distance from its end, so as to form a socket *b²* for the reception of a rubber eraser or of any other device.

When my holder is to be used for postage-stamps, I take a number of stamps and form the same into a coil, the diameter of which is somewhat smaller than the inside diameter of the receptacle B, so that after the coil has

been inserted into the receptacle it rebounds or uncoils sufficiently to prevent the postage-stamps from adhering to each other when they are exposed to a moist atmosphere. At the same time the coil of stamps as it uncoils bears against the inner surface of the receptacle, and in order to push the coil out of the receptacle I have provided the finger-holes *b b*.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A postage-stamp holder consisting of a cylindrical tubular receiver B, open at one end for the introduction of postage-stamps or other articles, and provided with oppositely-arranged finger-holes *b* for moving the articles lengthwise out of the tubular receiver, in combination with a cylindrical tubular receptacle A, into and out of which the cylindrical receiver slides lengthwise, said cylindrical receptacle having at one end a socket *a'* to receive the end of a pencil or pen-holder and closed by an internal head or bottom *a*, which limits the lengthwise sliding movement of the cylindrical receiver, substantially as described.

2. A holder for postage-stamps and other articles, composed of a receiver A, provided with an internal head *a* and a socket *a'*, and of a receptacle B, provided with an internal head *b'* and a socket *b²*, substantially as described.

3. A holder for postage-stamps and other articles, composed of a receiver A, provided with an internal head *a* and a socket *a'*, and of a receptacle B, provided with finger-holes *b b*, an internal head *b'*, and a socket *b²*, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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