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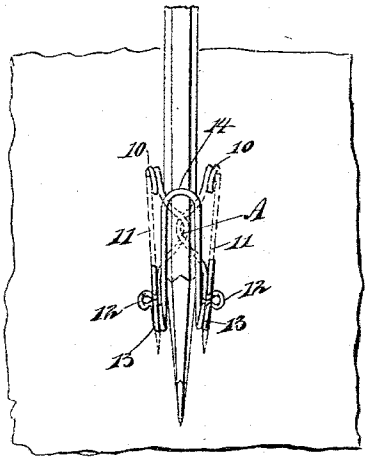
Fig. 1.



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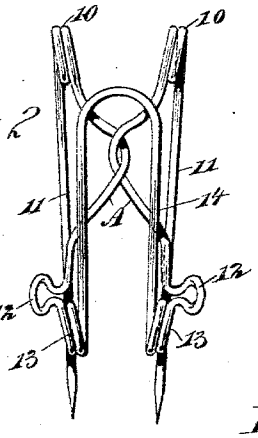

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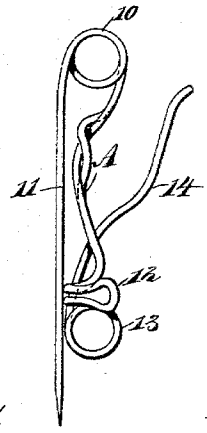

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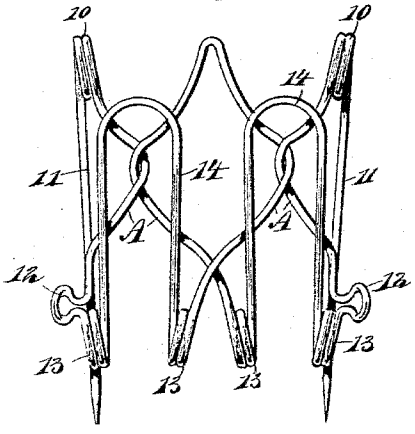

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD G. WICKWIRE, of Larned, in the county of Pawnee and State of Kansas, have invented a new and Improved Pen and Pencil Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a pen and pencil holder so constructed that it may be expeditiously and conveniently applied to any article of wearing apparel and worn with safety to the garment and with comfort to the wearer, and, furthermore, to construct the holder from a single piece of material, the said holder having its clamping-sections so arranged as to hold the pen or pencil in an upright position substantially parallel with the sides of the holder.

Another object of the invention is to construct the holder in a simple, durable, and economic manner and provide it with pins and with keepers for the pins, rendering the pins safety-pins, the said pins, however, forming an integral portion of the holder.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the holder with a pencil applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the holder on a larger scale, the pencil being removed. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the holder, and Fig. 4 is a front elevation of a double holder.

A spring-wire of suitable size is used in the construction of the holder in either single or double form. In the single form of the holder the wire is bent upon itself to form a substantially X-shank A, and at the upper end of each upper member of the shank a coil 10 is formed, and the ends of the wire are carried downward back of the shank at each side of the same and are sharpened at their lower extremities to form pins 11, keepers 12 being formed on the lower members of the X-shank by suitably bending the wire of said members, for example, carrying the wire in loop form horizontally sidewise and then in a forwardly direction. The wire is bent upon itself to form a coil 13 at the lower extremity of each lower member of the X-shank, and finally the wire is carried upward to form a tongue 14, the said tongue being located between the lower members of the X-shank, extending from a point back of these members upwardly and outwardly, so that between the body portion of the X-shank, or where its members cross, and the inner face of the tongue a space is formed, and the pen or pencil, as shown in Fig. 1, is passed point downward between the tongue and the shank of the holder and between the lower coils of the said shank.

In attaching the device to a garment the pins are passed through to the back of the material and then out again in like manner as a safety-pin, and the free ends of the pins are then carried over into their keepers 12.

In Fig. 4 I have illustrated a double holder which is also formed from a single piece of spring-wire, and in this form of the holder two X-shanks are employed and two tongues are used, extending one upward in front of each shank. Consequently there are four coils 13 at the bottom portion of the holder, while but two are used at the top as in the single form of the device, the pins 11 and the keepers 12 therefor occupying the same position as in the single form.

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

1. A pen or pencil holder constructed of a single piece of spring-wire bent to form an X-shank, a coil at the upper end of each upper member of the shank, and pins extending downward at the rear of the shank, one from each coil, the wire being also bent upon itself at the lower ends of the lower members of the shank into coils, from the rear of which the wire is carried upward and outward in front of the shank between its lower members, forming a curved clamping-tongue, keepers being formed in the lower members of the shank for the reception of the free ends of the pins, as and for the purpose specified.

2. A pencil-holder formed of spring-wire shaped to comprise a shank, at each end of which two coils are formed, a pin extending from each of the two coils at one end of the shank, a keeper adjacent to each of the remaining coils, and a clamping-tongue extended from said remaining coils outward and upward to the vicinity of the first-named coils, substantially as described.

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