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Fig. 1.

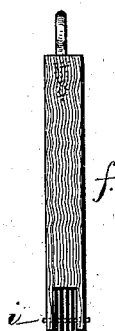
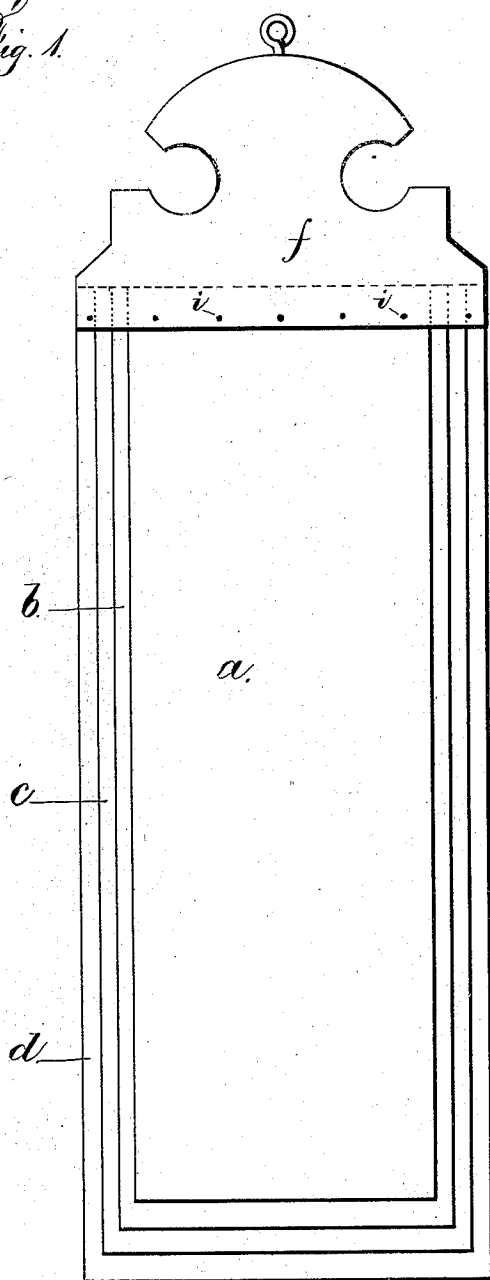


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE LANE, of the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Pen-Wipers, of which the following is a specification.

Pen-wipers of various kinds, sizes, and materials have been heretofore made use of; but such wipers have been adapted to use indiscriminately with any kind of pen or color of ink. In practice it is found that when pens are all wiped upon one article the ink of one color is liable to interfere with the flow of the ink of another color in consequence of the two becoming slightly mixed in the pen.

My present invention is for the purpose of furnishing a convenient pen-wiper that is adapted to different colors of ink and with which it is easy for the person to use only the particular part of the wiper intended for the particular color of ink, and I also embody in the same wiper a cloth prepared with acid, so as to be used in removing ink-stains from the fingers or for erasing ink-marks.

In the drawings I have shown, in Figure 1, a plan view of the improved pen-wiper, and in Fig. 2 a section of the same.

The pen-wiper is composed of strips or pieces of cloth, preferably of canton-flannel, and of colors corresponding generally to the colors of ink used. For instance, the piece of cloth *a* is of a blue color, to indicate that the pen used with blue ink is to be wiped thereon. The piece of cloth *b* is red for red ink to be wiped upon it, and the piece of cloth *c* is black, for the black-ink pens to be wiped thereon. These

several pieces of colored cloth do not betray a soiled or unsightly appearance, as the cloth and ink wiped thereon are about the same color. The piece of cloth *d* is white, but prepared with a solution of acid and dried, so as to remove ink-stains from the fingers when moistened and rubbed upon the cloth, or to remove ink from other articles. These strips or pieces of cloth are united to each other, preferably by being inserted at one end into the groove of a wooden head-piece, *f*, and secured thereinto by pins *i*.

This pen-wiper is a new and useful article of manufacture. It is adapted to keep the pens used with different inks in good order, and any person capable of discerning colors is not likely to wipe his pen in the wrong place.

The wooden head-piece *f* may be shaped and ornamented in any desired manner, and it may have a metal eye at the top for hanging up the pen-wiper.

I claim as my invention—

As a new article of manufacture, a pen-wiper and finger-cleaner composed of strips of cloth corresponding generally to the different colors of ink usually employed in writing and a strip of white cloth prepared with an acid for removing ink-stains, the said strips of cloth all being connected to a head-piece, as set forth.

Signed by me this 17th day of September, A. D. 1880.

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