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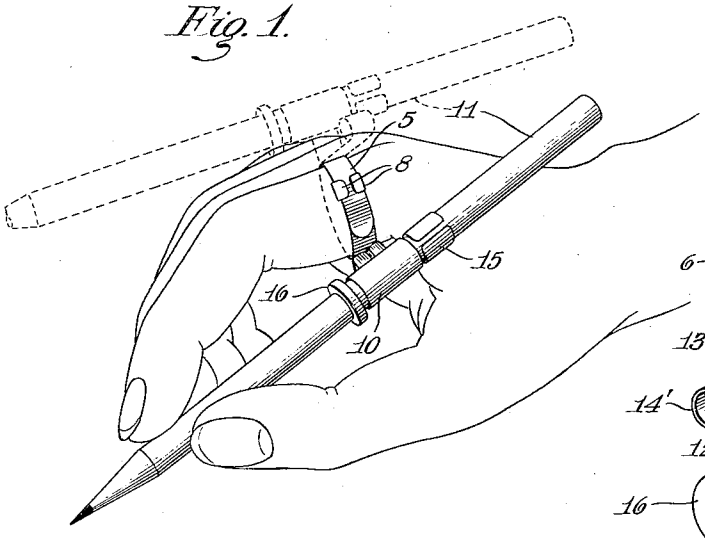


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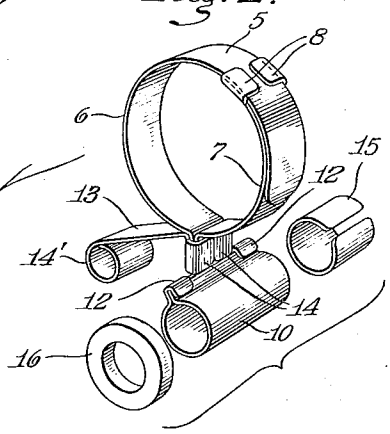


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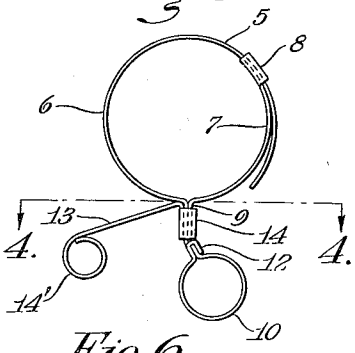


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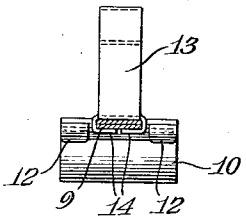


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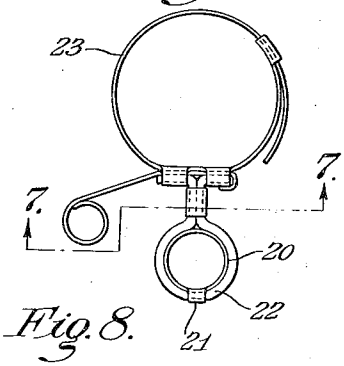


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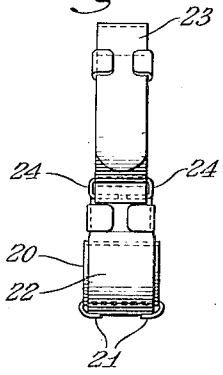


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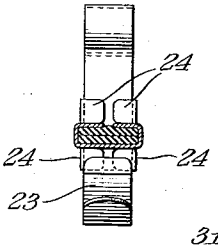
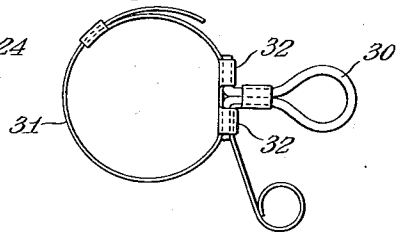


Fig. 8.



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My invention relates to holders and more particularly to that class utilized for conveniently holding writing implements, for instance pencils, in a desired position.

One of the principal objects of my invention is to provide a holder for writing implements so constructed and arranged as to permit the user to conveniently attach the holder to a finger and to move it into any desired position for writing or for moving the holder while on the finger into a non-use position to permit the user to conveniently employ his hand for other purposes.

Another object of my invention is to provide a device of the character described which is simple in construction, durable in use, efficient in operation and economical in manufacture.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description, appended claims and annexed drawing.

Referring to the drawing wherein like reference characters designate like parts throughout the several views:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention illustrating the same attached to the finger of a writer.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of my invention on an enlarged scale.

Figure 3 is a front elevation of my novel form of holder.

Figure 4 is a sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Figure 5 is a front elevation of a modified form.

Figure 6 is a side elevation of the modified form.

Figure 7 is a sectional view taken on the line 7—7 of Figure 5.

Figure 8 is a front elevation of another modified form.

In practicing my invention, in the preferred embodiment illustrated in Figures 1 to 4 inclusive of the drawing, I provide a finger ring 5 adapted to fit on the index finger of a writer's hand. Said ring is constructed of a pair of sections 6 and 7. One end of the section 6 overlaps an end of the section 7 and the latter end is provided with a pair of ears 8 which embrace the section 6 and permit relative movement therebetween for effecting adjustment of the ring to fit the index finger of a writer. The opposite ends of the sections 6 and 7 are radially disposed and constitute a radially extending arm 9 with the last defined end of the section 6 extending beyond the last defined end of the section 7 and terminating in a loop 10 in which is fitted a writing implement, for instance a pencil 11.

The end of the section 6 subjacent the end of the section 7 is fashioned with a lengthwise extending portion on each side of the arm and formed with ears 12 clamping the end of the loop to said portions as clearly illustrated in Figure 2 of the drawing. Extending tangentially relative to the ring is a thumb piece 13, the inner end of which is provided with ears 14 clamped about the arm 9. The outer end of the thumb piece 13 is provided with a loop 14' to facilitate operation thereof. The loop 10 is slidable relative to the pencil 11 and secured to said pencil 11 adjacent one end of the loop 10 is a spring clip 15 for engagement with the loop 10 to limit sliding movement of the pencil in one direction. On the opposite side of the loop 10 the pencil is provided with a rubber collar 16 for engagement with the opposite end of the loop to limit the movement of the pencil in the opposite direction.

In operation, the device being in the full line position illustrated in Figure 1 of the drawing, the thumb is moved within the palm of the hand to engage the outer end of the thumb piece 13 whereupon to move the ring 5 about the index finger and position the pencil above the index finger as illustrated in dotted lines in Figure 1.

In the modified form illustrated in Figures 5 to 7 inclusive of the drawing, I provide a pencil carrying loop 20 fashioned on the lower side with ears 21 which effect connection with a rubber loop 22, the ends of the latter being secured to the ring 23 by means of ears 24 formed thereon. This construction provides a flexible arm connection between the ring 23 and loop 20 whereby to facilitate use of the pencil during writing.

In the modified form illustrated in Figure 8 of the drawing, the pencil loop 30 is constructed of rubber and is provided with ends clamped to the finger ring 31 by means of ears 32 formed thereon. This construction, as in the instance of the modified form illustrated in Figures 5 to 7, permits movement of the pencil relative to the ring 31 to facilitate writing.

From the foregoing it will be apparent that I have provided a simple and efficient form of holder whereby pencils and the like may be actuated into writing position when desired and moved to a position adjacent the back of the hand when not in use.

It is obvious that the invention is not confined to the herein described use therefor as it

may be utilized for any purpose to which it is adaptable. It is therefore to be understood that the invention is not limited to the specific construction as illustrated and described, as the same is only illustrative of the principles of operation, which are capable of extended application in advance forms, and that the invention comprehends all construction within the scope of the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. A device of the character described, comprising, an adjustable ring adapted to fit the finger of a writer, said ring fashioned with a radially extending arm terminating in a loop adapted to receive therethrough a writing implement, a thumb piece extending tangentially with respect to the ring and connected to said arm to facilitate movement of the ring about the finger by the thumb of the user, and means adjacent said loop for engagement with the latter and adapted to fit about said implement to limit the endwise movement thereof relative to said loop.

2. A device of the character described, comprising, an adjustable ring adapted to fit the finger of a writer, said ring fashioned with a radially extending flexible arm terminating in a loop adapted to receive therethrough a writing implement, a thumb piece extending tangentially with respect to the ring and connected to said arm to facilitate movement of the ring about the finger by the thumb of the user, and means adjacent said loop for engagement with the latter and adapted to fit about said implement to limit the endwise movement thereof relative to said loop.

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