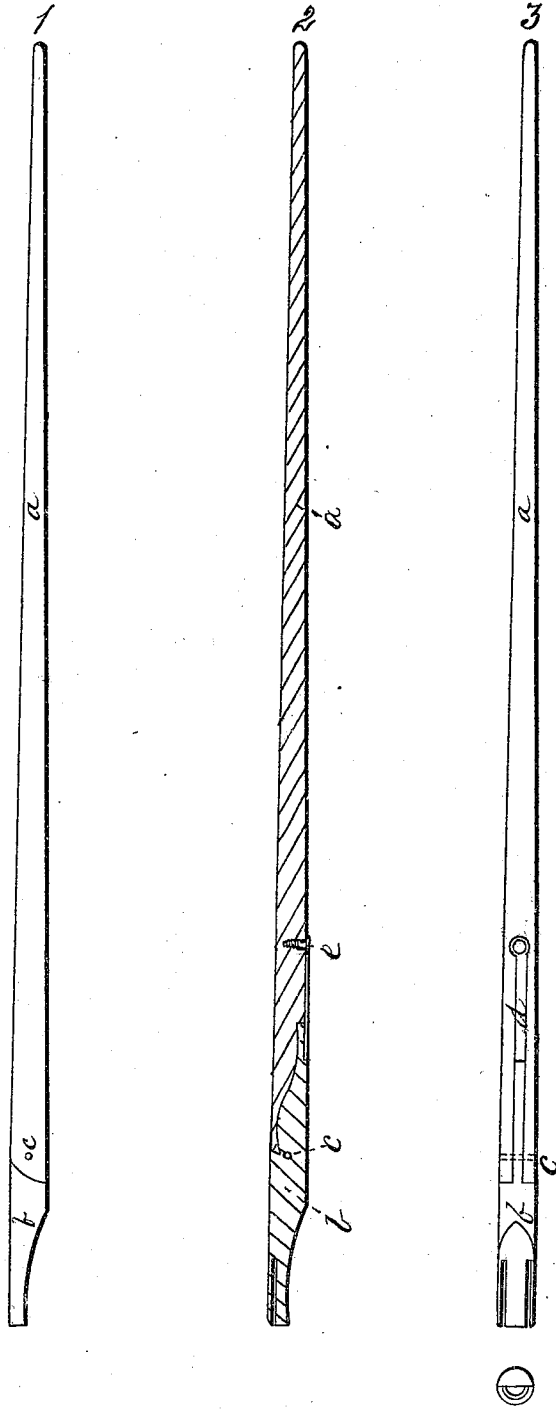


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Pen & Pencil Case.

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FLEXIBLE PENHOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS I. KLEIN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new, useful, and Improved Penholder; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, exact, and clear description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a profile or side view. Fig. 2 represents the appearance which would be presented if the penholder was divided into two sections. Fig. 3 represents the pen holder in that point of view best calculated to show the action and position of the metallic spring.

I make my pen holder of ivory, bone, horn or wood, in two pieces, letter *a* being the upper section; letter B the lower section. The upper section, or piece (letter *a*) is formed with a chamber or mortise, the exact shape of which cannot be fully described, but is apparent from the drawings hereunto annexed. The lower section, or piece, letter (B), is formed with a tenon or shoulder formed in shape and dimensions so as to be adapted to fit into the mortise or chamber above described.

The two sections being placed in their proper positions they are united at the

point (C) by a metallic rivet. To the upper section a metallic spring, letter (*d*), is attached by means of a screw, letter (*e* and I). The end of this spring rests upon and exercises a pressure upon the end of the shoulder or tenon before described.

At the base of lower part of the lower piece or section, letter (B) a cavity or receptacle is formed of proper shape and adapted to receive and retain a metallic pen.

What I claim as new and original in the above described holder and which I desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

1. A pen holder constructed in two distinct and separate pieces or sections so that the lower section, (letter B) shall be a lever having the metallic rivet (C) as a fulcrum.

2. I also claim the peculiar formation of the chamber in section (*a*) and of the arm of the lever by means of which formation and adaptness each to the other, the holder is rendered more symmetrical, compact and a movement of the aforesaid lever is permitted only in one direction and for a limited distance and a motion in any other direction is absolutely prevented.

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