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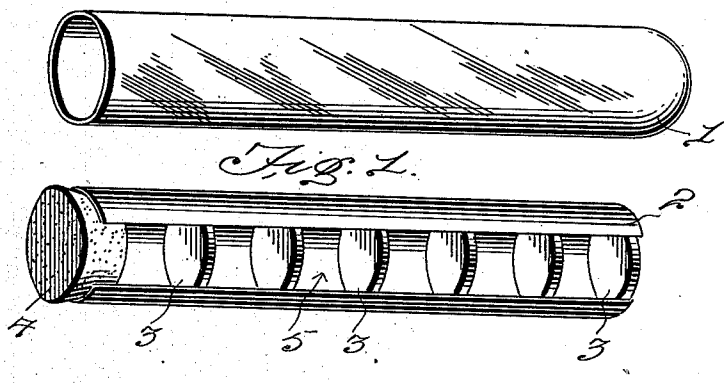


Fig. 1.

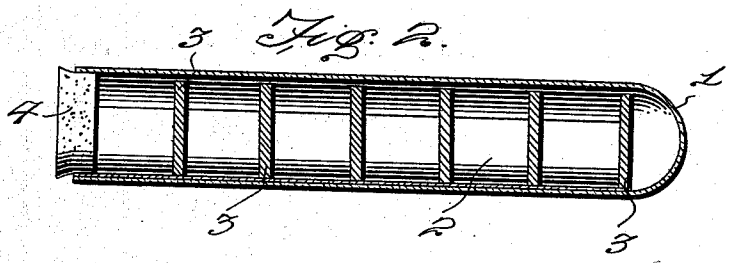


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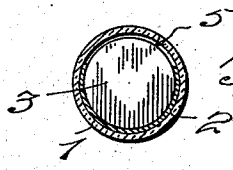


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER C. HALL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Saybrook, in the county of McLean and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Holder for Watchmakers' Materials, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to holders for watchmakers' materials.

The object of the invention is to present a novel and convenient form of holder or receptacle for the various articles employed by watchmakers and repairers—such as wheels, jewels, balance-staffs, pallets, &c.—the articles to be disposed in the holder or receptacle in such manner as to be freely exposed to view and to be examinable without necessitating removal, thereby obviating danger of getting the different articles mixed.

With these and other objects in view, as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction and combination of parts of holder for watchmakers' material, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several views, there is illustrated one form of embodiment of the invention capable of carrying the same into practical operation, it being understood that the elements therein exhibited may be varied or changed as to shape, proportion, and exact manner of assemblage without departing from the spirit thereof, and in the drawings—

Figure 1 is a view in perspective of the holder, the tray portion being removed from the casing. Fig. 2 is a view in longitudinal section through the holder. Fig. 3 is a view in transverse section.

Referring to the drawings, 1 designates the casing or body of the holder to be made of some suitable transparent substance, preferably of glass, on account of its waterproof and non-corrosive qualities, and may be provided with a rounded closed end, as shown, or with a square end, as may be preferred.

Arranged within the casing is the tray 2, which is of a size to fit snugly within the casing and is divided by disks 3 into a plurality of compartments to contain different articles used by watchmakers, one end of the tray being closed by a cork or rubber stopper 4, which operates not only to preclude entrance of moisture to the casing, but also prevents accidental separation of the tray therefrom when being handled. The tray and disks may be made of any suitable material, combining lightness, strength, and moisture-proof properties, preferably celluloid, and one side of the tray is left open, as at 5, to permit inspection of the contained materials and also ready removal of that selected.

In practice it is proposed to employ any desired number of these holders and place them within a drawer of a watchmaker's cabinet.

The advantage of the device will be obvious to any watchmaker, for not only will a large saving of time be effected in selecting a piece of material, but the mixing together of different kinds of materials, which frequently happens under arrangements in vogue, is positively obviated.

In using the holder it may be removed from the drawer or be allowed to remain there, as the jeweler by looking through the longitudinal slot in the tray may inspect the contents of the different compartments. When the article is found, the tray is drawn out a sufficient distance to expose the compartment containing the article, which may then be removed with a pair of pincers.

In practice the casing may be made of any desired length and the tray may be provided with any preferred number of compartments, and it is thus to be understood that the invention is not to be limited to the exact arrangement herein exhibited.

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

1. A device of the character specified, comprising a transparent body, and a longitudinally-divided tray spaced into a plurality of transverse compartments, and adapted to fit within the said body.

2. A device of the character specified, comprising a transparent body, a longitudinally-divided tray spaced into a plurality of transverse compartments, and a closure associated with the tray for holding it in position within the body.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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