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Pen and Pencil Case.

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Fig. 1.

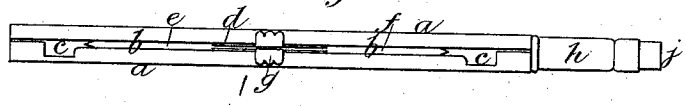


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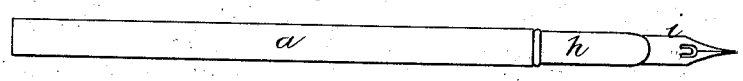


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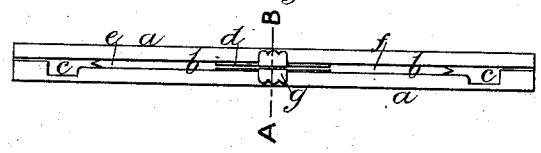


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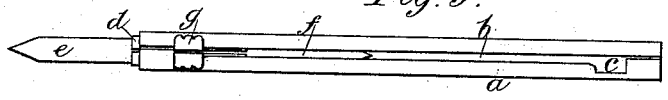


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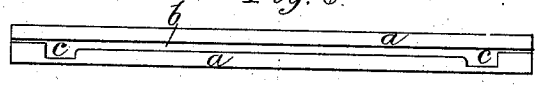


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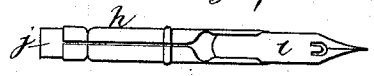


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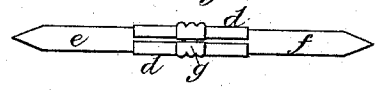


Fig. 9.



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IMPROVEMENT IN PEN AND PENCIL CASES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB WOLF SPEAR, of London, England, have invented an Improved Pen and Pencil Case or Holder and Eraser, of which the following is a specification.

This invention consists in a novel and simple construction of pencil-case for lead and slate pencils, serving also as a pen-holder and ink or pencil eraser.

The improved case or holder consists of a metal or other tubular case open at both ends and formed with a longitudinal slot nearly through the whole of its length, adapted for the traverse for nearly the whole length of the case of a sliding holder and its push-piece, this slot being provided at each of its ends with a small transverse notch or slot to form bayonet joints or locks, whereby either of the pencils carried by the sliding holder may severally, when projected from either end of the case, be locked or retained in place when in use.

Within the tubular case is a tubular holder which receives a lead-pencil at one end and slate-pencil or crayon at the other end, and the said pencil-holder is provided with a pin or slide passing through the said slot and formed into a push-piece outside the tubular case. This push-piece allows the pencil-holder to be moved along within the tubular case, so as to project either the lead-pencil or the slate-pencil at option out through the one or the other of the open ends of the holder, according to the direction in which the push-piece may be moved, and then by slightly turning such push-piece into the bayonet-notch it locks or detains the projecting pencil in proper position for use.

When neither of the pencils is required for present use the inner sliding holder is withdrawn by its push-piece entirely within the outer tubular case, so as to protect the points of both the pencils.

I also provide a short holder for receiving a pen at one end and an eraser at the other. This pen and eraser holder is reversible, and also fits into either of the open ends of the hereinbefore-described tubular holder, thus forming a convenient pen-holder, serving also for protecting the pen when not in use.

I thus combine in a simple manner a case or holder for a lead-pencil and for a slate-pencil, and also for a pen and eraser, the case or holder serving also as a protector for the points of the pencils and for the pen, as hereinbefore described; but to make my invention better understood I will proceed to describe the same by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved combined pen and pencil case or holder and eraser closed up; Fig. 2, back elevation of the same as a pen-holder; Fig. 3, a front elevation with the pen and eraser removed; Fig. 4, section on line A B of Fig. 3; Fig. 5, similar view to Fig. 3, showing the pencil protruding out; Fig. 6, detached view of the slotted tubular case; Fig. 7, detached view of the pen and eraser with their holder; Fig. 8, detached view of the inner tubular pencil-holder with pencils placed therein; Fig. 9, section of Fig. 3.

Similar letters in all the figures represent similar parts.

a a is the tubular metal case, open at both ends, as shown. *b* is the longitudinal slot of same, and *c c* the transverse cuts or notches at each end, forming the bayonet lock or joint. *d* is the inner tubular holder, receiving a lead-pencil, *e*, at one end and slate-pencil or crayon *f* at the other end. *g* is the push-piece of the holder *d*, the said push-piece *g* passing through the slot *b*, as seen in the drawings, and by which the said holder *d* may be moved along within the tubular case *a*, so as to project either pencil for use, the said push-piece being turned into either of the bayonet slots *c*, (according to which pencil is required,) so as to keep it in position while being used. *h* is the short holder having a pen, *i*, at one end and eraser *j* at the other end. This pen and eraser holder fits into the end of the tubular case *a*, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the case *a* serving as a point-protector for the pen when not in use, as shown in Fig. 1.

Having thus described my invention and the manner of performing the same, what I claim is—

The pencil-case slotted and notched, as described and shown, and provided with the pencil-holder slide *d*, serving to project a pencil from and to be locked at either end of the case, and also with the combined pen and eraser holder *h*, adapted to be held in either end of tube *a*, all as set forth.

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