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IMPROVEMENT IN PEN-AND-PENCIL CASES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 118,434, dated August 29, 1871.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. CLARK, of Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented and made an Improvement in Pen-and-Pencil Cases; and the following is declared to be a correct description thereof.

The object of this invention is to provide a lead-holder or magazine in a portion of the case heretofore valueless, and in so doing to prevent the case being lengthened for the introduction of such magazine.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a longitudinal section of the pen-holder and case, with the pencil partially drawn out; and Fig. 2 is a cross-section at the line *x x*.

In constructing pen-and-pencil cases of this general character, it has heretofore been usual to provide an exterior tube, *a*, and an interior tube, *b*, within which tube *b* the pencil-case *c* and pencil *d* have been introduced, the pencil drawing out at one end, and the pen being projected at the other. These features are retained in my case. The pen-holder *i* is connected to a segment, *o*, between the case *a* and tube *b*, and occupies one side of the case in a portion partitioned

off by the longitudinal strips or wires *s*, and on the other side of the case is the magazine for leads. The wires *s* form the sides of the magazine, and the screw-collar *u*, at the end of the tube *b*, forms a cover to close the end of this magazine.

In place of the wires *s* strips of metal may be employed, either formed upon or attached to the tube *b*; or to the inside of the case *a*.

I am aware that pencil-cases have been made with small tubes for holding leads introduced between one cylinder and the other, and covered at their ends by a screw-collar, as seen in Letters Patent No. 67,558. This arrangement, however, did not provide for the introduction of a pen-holder and slide, as in my improvement.

I claim as my invention—

The pen-and-pencil case made with the tube *b* and case *a*, between which are the longitudinal strips *s* separating the space into a magazine for leads and a receptacle for the pen-slide, as set forth.

Signed by me this 8th day of May, A. D. 1871.
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