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Pen Rack.

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PEN-RACK.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 26,727, dated January 3, 1860.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, James Young, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improved Pen-Rack, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1, is a view of my improved rack. Fig. 2, a view of one of the drawers detached.

The ordinary pen rack which is placed on a writing desk for the convenience of holding pens, is formed simply of a base of sufficient weight to give stability to the article, from which rises one or more racks; the only way so far as I am informed in which the base of the rack has been utilized, has been to raise its edges to form a shallow open compartment for holding wafers or pens, but as the contents of this compartment were exposed to dust and dirt they were soon rendered unfit for use.

The object of my present invention is to render this almost indispensable article still more useful and convenient. And my invention consists in placing in the base of the rack one or more drawers to hold such small articles as postage stamps, wafers, steel pens &c., which are in frequent use and which the person using them requires to have in a handy place.

That others skilled in the art may understand and use my invention I will proceed to describe the manner in which I have carried out the same.

In the said drawings A is the base of a pen rack made of iron, bronze or other suit-

able material, which is made of a sufficient height to accommodate the shallow drawers 40 B, one of which is shown detached in Fig. 2, which may be divided by thin partitions a into convenient compartments b, or may be left undivided if preferred.

From the base A at each end rises a rack 45 C, and in the middle another one D, the notches c, in the one D being smaller and of twice the number of those in the racks C, so that a series of pen holders may occupy the rack at one end as at f, with the top of 50 the holder resting in one of the notches c, in the rack D and the pen extending over the end rack C. And another series may be placed with the pens extending over the other end rack C, thus accommodating a 55 number of pens while leaving sufficient space between the barrel or thick part of the holders for the fingers to grasp them readily.

Instead of making the rack double as shown in the drawings, it may be made with 60 only a rack C, at each end to hold a single row of pens; and the base A, may be occupied by one drawer divided into compartments or by two or more narrow drawers.

The metal bird E shown attached to one 65 end of the base A, I have found convenient for holding a penwiper.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

The above described pen rack with a 70 drawer B, in the base A, substantially as described.

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