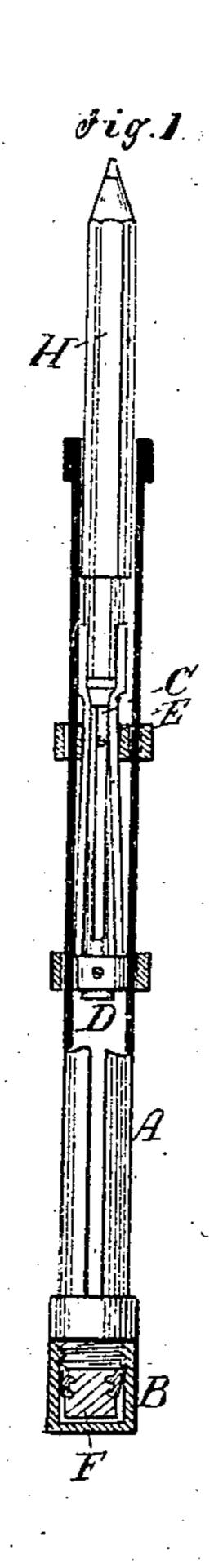
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IMPROVEMENT IN PENCIL-CASES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, J. A. KEMMIS, of New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans, and State of Louisiana, have invented a new and improved Pencil and Rubber-Holder; and I de hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification.

This invention relates to improvements in cases for holding pendils and rubbers, designed to provide a convenient article for carrying in the pocket and for

use. It consists in an arrangement of sliding spring pencil-holder, and spring rubber-holder, within a tubular case, all as hereinafter more fully specified.

Figure 1 represents an elevation of my improved

device, partly in section, and Figure 2 represents a cross-section of the same. Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding

A represents an ordinary tubular metallic pencilcase, having a screwed cap, B, at one end.

C represents a series of spring-clamps, connected

at their inner ends to a sliding ring, D.

Near the outer ends, these clamping-springs jut outwardly, so that when the said ends bear against the inner surface of the case, the shanks above the said

jutting parts will pass through a ring, E, without contracting the space between the said ends.

The inner faces to these jutting ends are serrated, and the end of a common pencil, H, is inserted between them. The ring E is then moved back over the gradually-expanding shanks of the springs, and the serrated ends thereby clamped down tightly upon the end of the pencil.

The pencil may be moved into and out of the case

by sliding the ring D, as required.

For securing the rubber in the other end, I provide two spring-hooks, connected to the case, within the end, a short distance therefrom, and projecting slightly.

The rubber G is inserted between the hooks, and withdrawn therefrom, when required, by compressing it, so as to pass it either into the space between the hooks or out thereof.

Having thus described my invention,

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent—

The improved pencil and rubber-holder, having the spring-clamping holders C, rings E D, spring-hooks F, and screw-cap B, all arranged substantially as herein specified.

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