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IMPROVEMENT IN MUCILAGE-HOLDERS.

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, James M. Keep, of New York city, in the county of New York, and in the State of New York, have invented a certain new and useful Holder or Case for Mucilage; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 shows my device, as arranged for carrying in a pocket;

Figure 2 is a central longitudinal section of the same, with the cap removed; and

Figure 3 is a cross-section on the line x x of fig. 1. Letters of like name and kind refer to like parts in each of the figures.

My invention has for its object the encasement of solid or semi-solid cement or mucilage in such a manner as that, while in a convenient form for use, it may be readily carried in a pocket; and to this end,

It consists in the employment of a case or holder constructed substantially as hereinafter shown and combined, with a stick of adhesive composition, for the purpose specified.

In the annexed drawing—

A represents a metal tube or case, having attached loosely to one of its ends a cap, B, to the center of which is secured one end of a rod, C, that from thence extends longitudinally through the center of the opening within said case, and is provided with a male screwthread. As thus constructed, the cap B, and with it the screw C, may be rotated upon and within the case by means of the thumb and finger.

D represents a cylinder or stick of adhesive composition, corresponding in size and shape with and fitting into the interior of said case A, and having in and through its center, longitudinally, an opening, d, provided with a female screw-thread which corresponds

with and receives the screw C.

A rib, a, extending longitudinally along the interior of the case A, and fitting into a corresponding groove, c, within the cylinder of adhesive composition, holds said cylinder and case in the same relative positions

radially, without in the least obstructing the longitudinal movement of the former within the latter.

If, now, the cap B and screw C are rotated, the adhesive composition being held in position radially, will be moved longitudinally within the case A, by which means the outer end of said composition may be caused to project beyond said case, when desired for use, or at other times withdrawn within the latter, and prevented from coming in contact with the clothes or other objects.

An adjustable cap, E, for covering the open end of the case, completes the device, which, from its form and size, may be readily carried within the pocket, and thus enable each person to have at hand at all times a convenient and simple means of using an adhesive mixture, as occasion may present.

In case that it is desired to use a semi-solid adhesive composition, a plunger having the form of a cross-section of the cylinder D, and working upon the screw C, may be employed to force said composition out of the case, as it may be needed for use.

If desired, a female screw-thread may be provided upon the interior of the case A, and the stick or cylinder D, having a corresponding male screw-thread upon its periphery, may be caused to revolve therein by means of a square rod, C, fitting into a corresponding opening within said cylinder, but as such an arrangement would be only a modification of my herein-before described device, it is not deemed necessary to illustrate the same in the drawing.

Having thus fully set forth the nature and merits of my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The case or holder A, provided with the caps B and E, the screw C, and the rib a, or their equivalents, in combination with the stick of adhesive composition D, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of February, 1870. Witnesses:

J. M. KEEP.

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