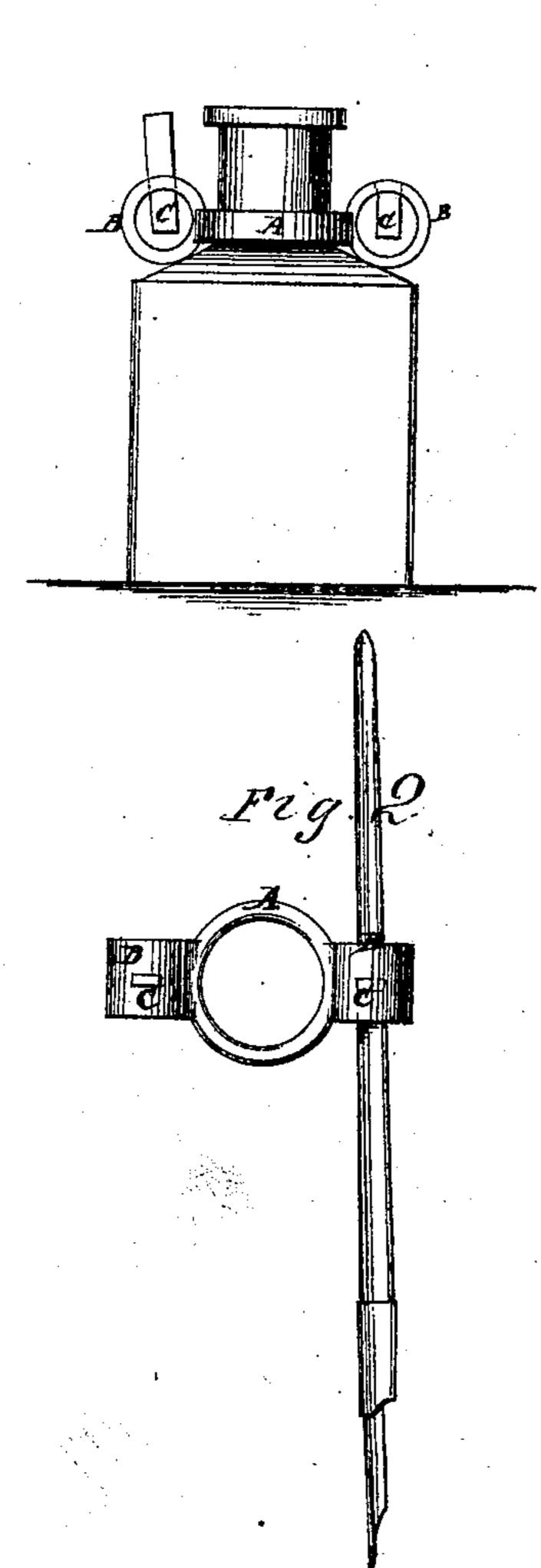
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IMPROVEMENT IN PEN-RACKS.

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, MATHEW O'REARDON, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Pen-holding Attachment for Inkstands; and I do 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, in which—

Figure 1 represents my improved pen-holder as attached to an inkstand.

Figure 2 is a detail top view of the same detached, Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved pen and pencil-holding attachment for inkstands, which shall be simple in construction, convenient in use, and easily attached to the inkstand; and

It consists in the device constructed as hereinafter more fully described.

A is a rubber ring, which is designed to be placed upon the neck of the inkstand, where its elasticity will hold it securely in place.

Upon the outer side of the ring A are formed one, two, or more short rubber tubes, B, into which the pen or pencil to be held is passed, the elasticity of said tubes B holding the pen or pencil securely in place.

To enable the tubes B to receive and hold a greater variety of different sizes of pens and pencils, valves

O may be used in connection with the tubes B, which valves may be placed in the middle parts of the tubes, or at their ends, as may be desired. I prefer to place them in the middle parts of the tubes B, as offering less obstruction in inserting the pens or pencils. The valves O may be permanently attached to, or formed solidly upon, the tubes B, as may be desired; or they may be made separate and detachable. In the latter case they may be simply inserted in a slit cut in the side of the tubes B, and may be detached when desired, or when a larger pen-holder or pencil is to be used, and attached when a smaller pen-holder or pencil is to be used.

Having thus described my invention,

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

1. An improved pen and pencil-holding device for attachment to an inkstand, formed by the combination of one or more short rubber tubes, B, and a rubber ring, A, with each other, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination of the valves O with the short rubber tubes B and rubber ring A, whether said valves C be permanently or detachably secured to the said rubber tubes B, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 25th day of May, 1870.

MATHEW O'REARDON.

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