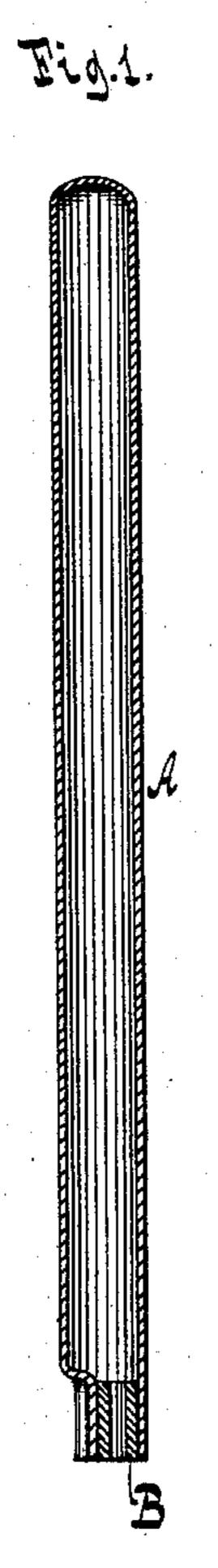
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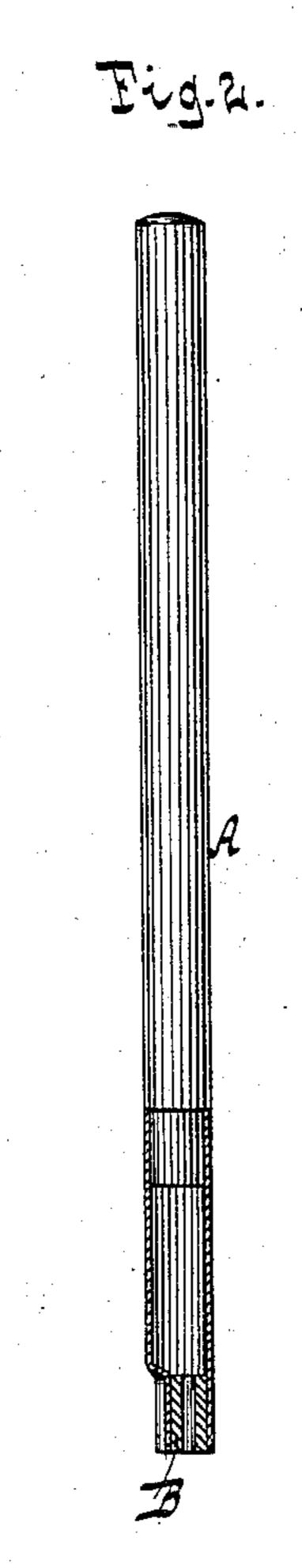
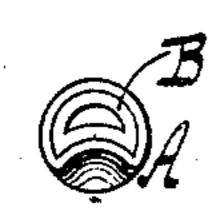


Fig.3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERNST RICHARD DANIEL MEUSEL, a citizen of the German Empire, residing at Geiersthal, Germany, have invented new and useful Improvements in Pen-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a pen-holder or tip of pen-holders whose nib will receive and adjust itself to pens of various shapes and styles and sizes, and which, while holding the pen sufficiently firm, will not be rigid and unyielding, like the metal nibs commonly used.

My invention consists, essentially, in a penholder having its open end provided with a soft-rubber tube having its exterior surface connected with the interior of the holder by suitable means, and the single passage or opening through the tube serving to receive and retain the different-formed shanks of pens.

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which Figure 1 is a longitudinal axial section of a pen-holder containing my invention. Fig. 2 is a like section of a tip containing my invention, the tip being applied to the staff of a holder. Fig. 3 is an end view of my invention, showing the nib of a crescent-like shape. Fig. 4 shows the nib of a circular form.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts. The letter A designates a pen-holder, which may be made of metal, glass, or other suitable material, and of any suitable shape or size. In its open end, where the pen is to be inserted, 35 I arrange a tubular nib, B, of rubber, of sufficient size to occupy the end of the holder, and of sufficient capacity within to receive the shank of a pen and to hold it firmly. The nib B is of such a length as will suffice to hold 40 the shank of the pen and give it a proper bearing. I insert the soft-rubber or elastic nib in the holder or tip by any convenient means, and secure it in place by means of shellac or other suitable adhesive substance applied to 45 the outside of the nib before it is pushed into its place in the holder or tip; or the adhesive

holder or tip, if preferred.

The soft-rubber or elastic nib, whether applied in a holder or tip of circular or of crescent-like form, will permit pens of various sizes to

material may be applied to the interior of the

be inserted in it, and will allow them to adjust themselves to it by reason of its elasticity, at the same time holding them firmly enough for practical purposes.

When I desire that the elastic nib shall have its receptacle, where the pen is inserted in it, of a curved shape, I give a corresponding shape to the end of the pen holder or tip, an example of which is shown in Fig. 3 of the 60 drawings.

Heretofore a pen-holder has been constructed of a staff having on its end a rubber tip, the outer end of which is solid, said staff carrying a sliding sleeve, which, when moved out 65 over the tip, serves to retain the shank of a pen in position between the interior of the sleeve and the exterior of the rubber tip; but such is not my invention, and, owing to the shank of the pen coming in contact with the 70 metal sleeve, the holder is not adapted for pens having shanks of varying contour or curve. A pen-holder has also been constructed of a handle having its outer end covered with a rubber tube, the handle forming a core to 75 the same, the shank of the pen being confined in place between the core and the interior of the tube; but such is not my invention. A pen-holder has also been constructed in which a plug is inserted in the open end of 8c the same, the plug being provided with a spiral or convolute socket, whereby pens of varyingsized shanks can be inserted in the said socket; but neither is such my invention.

In my construction the nib for receiving the 85 shank of the pen consists of a simple rubber tube, which is secured within the open end of the holder, and the single passage or opening through said tube serving to receive different-sized shanks of pens. By this means I provide a very simple and inexpensive pen-holder, and one which is very efficient in use.

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

1. A pen-holder having its open end pro- 95 vided with a soft-rubber tube, B, having its exterior surface connected with the interior of the holder by suitable means, and the single passage or opening through the tube serving to receive and retain the different-formed roc shanks of pens, substantially as described.

2. A pen-holder having a substantially cres-

cent-shaped open end provided with a rubber tube, B, suitably confined therein, the crescent-shaped form of the holder imparting a curved form to the passage through the tube, for receiving and retaining different-formed shanks of pens, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set

my hand and seal in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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