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Fig. 1.

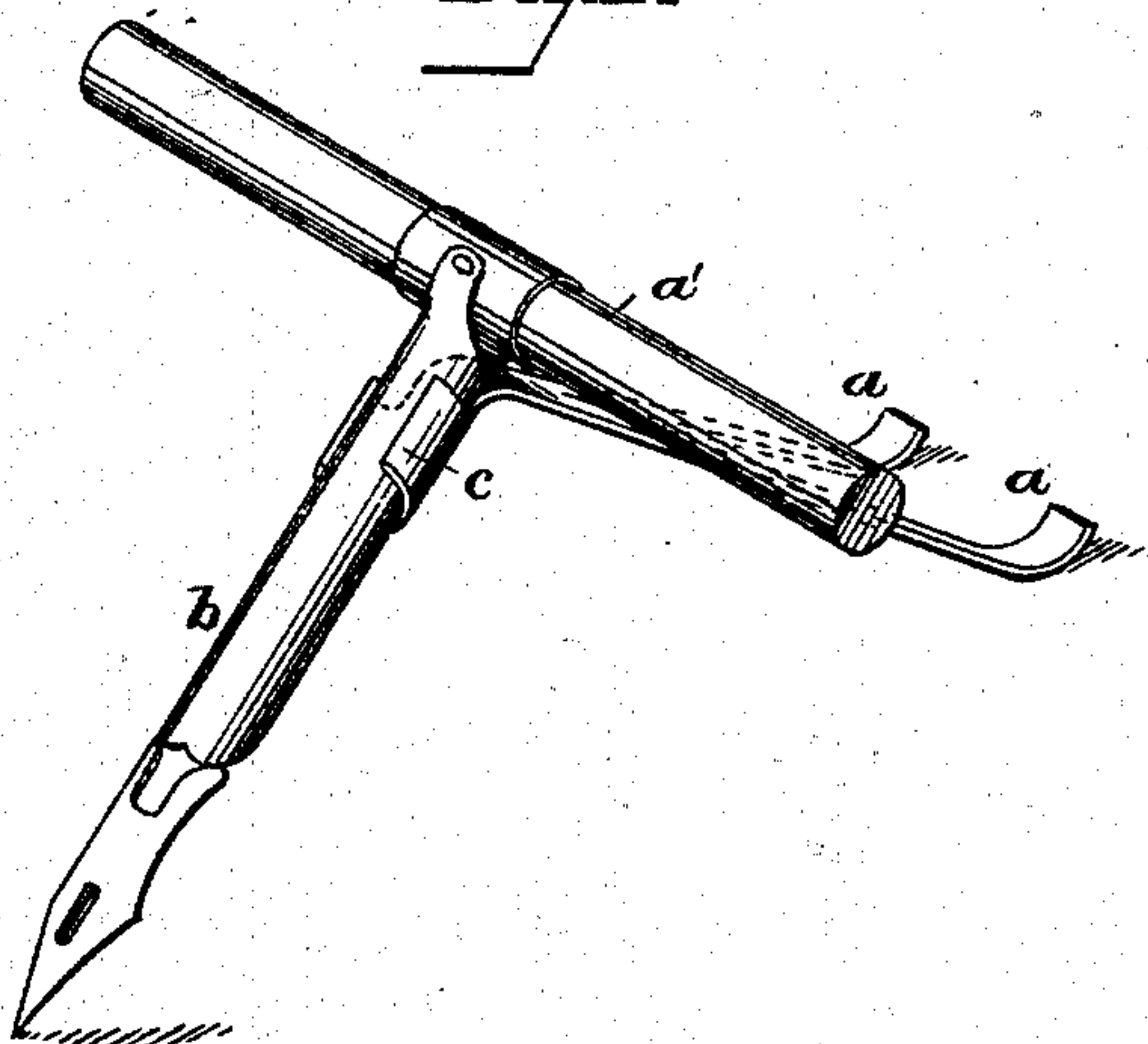
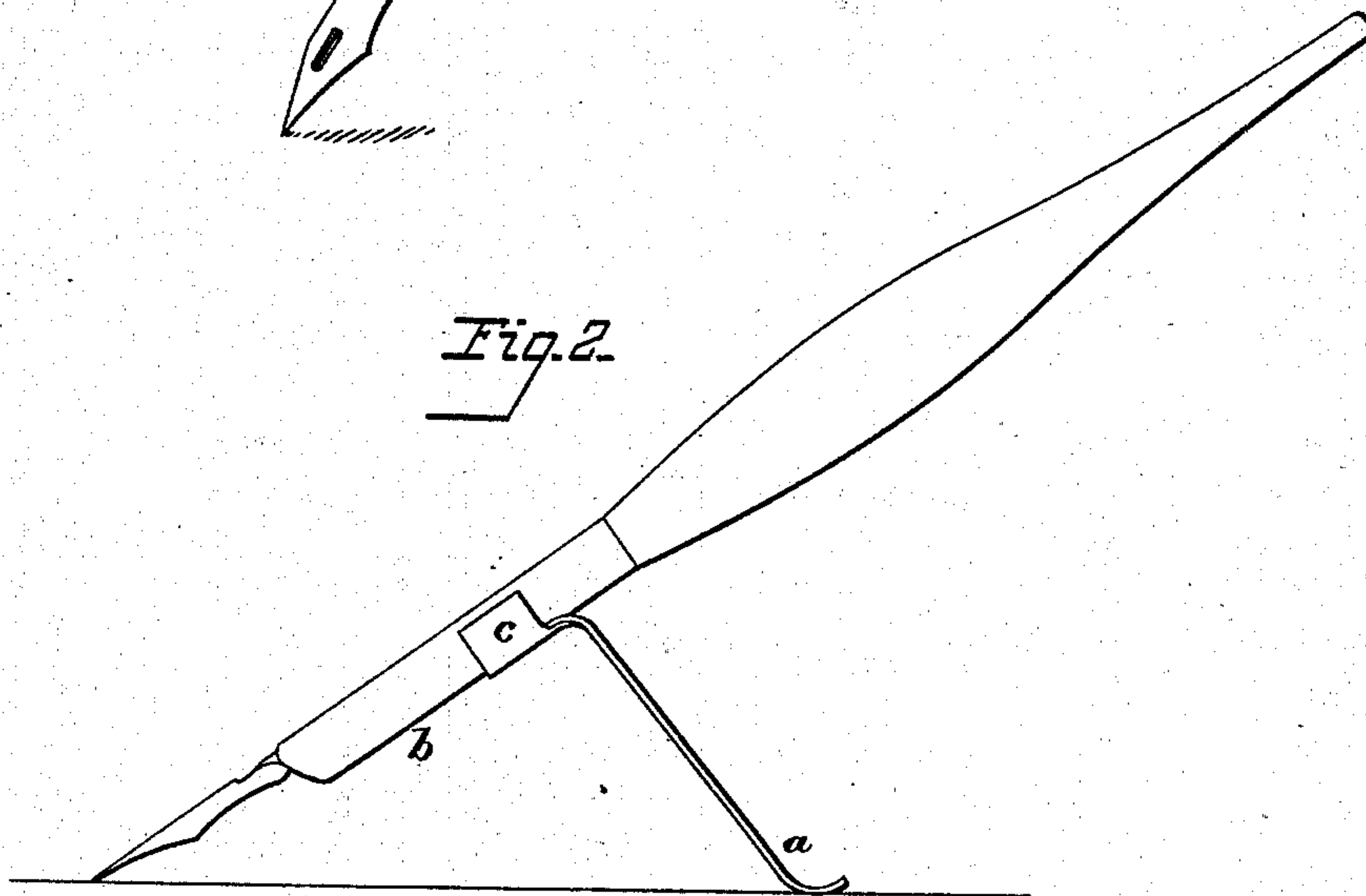


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEONARD SCHEVENELL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Athens, Clarke county, Georgia, have invented certain Improvements in Pen-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists in certain improvements in pen-holders whereby the hand is supported and the pen maintained in its position in respect to the paper.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view, showing my improved pen-support in connection with a peculiar holder. Fig. 2 is a side view, showing the improvement in connection with an ordinary pen-holder.

My invention consists, first, in providing the staff or shank of the pen with a peculiar support, described hereinafter, to rest on the paper in a position beneath the hand; and, secondly, in a peculiar construction of the shank, whereby to afford a better grasp of the article.

The shank-support consists of two diverging arms, *a a*, or their equivalent, projecting from the shaft at the under side at about right angles thereto, so as to form with the end of the shaft and pen a tripod which is self-supporting, always maintaining the pen in the same position upon the paper. These arms are in a position to be covered by the hand, which is therefore supported at a point back of the pen and beneath the shaft, relieving the latter of pressure, so that it may be moved easily over the paper. This support tends to prevent the cramp that results from the weight being thrown upon the pen; and to further prevent this effect, as well as to afford a more natural

and easy grasp of the holder, requiring less tension of the muscles, I make the shaft of the T shape shown in Fig. 1, lying under and supporting the fingers, while the thumb is placed below the bar.

The arms *a a* may be used in any shape to afford a like result. They may be flexible or rigid and secured permanently to the shaft, or, as shown, may be connected to a sleeve or a clip, *c*, capable of ready application to the shaft of an ordinary pen-holder, as shown in Fig. 2.

I claim—

1. The support for a pen-holder, consisting of diverging arms *a a*, connected with a clip, *c*, adapted for application to the shaft of the holder, and arranged on the clip to extend at or about right angles from the holder, as set forth.

2. The combination, with the shaft of a pen-holder, of diverging arms *a a*, extending at about right angles from the shaft, substantially as set forth.

3. A pen-holder in which are combined a shaft consisting of a shank and a bar at right angles thereto at the rear end of the shank, and arms *a*, forming a tripod with the shank, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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