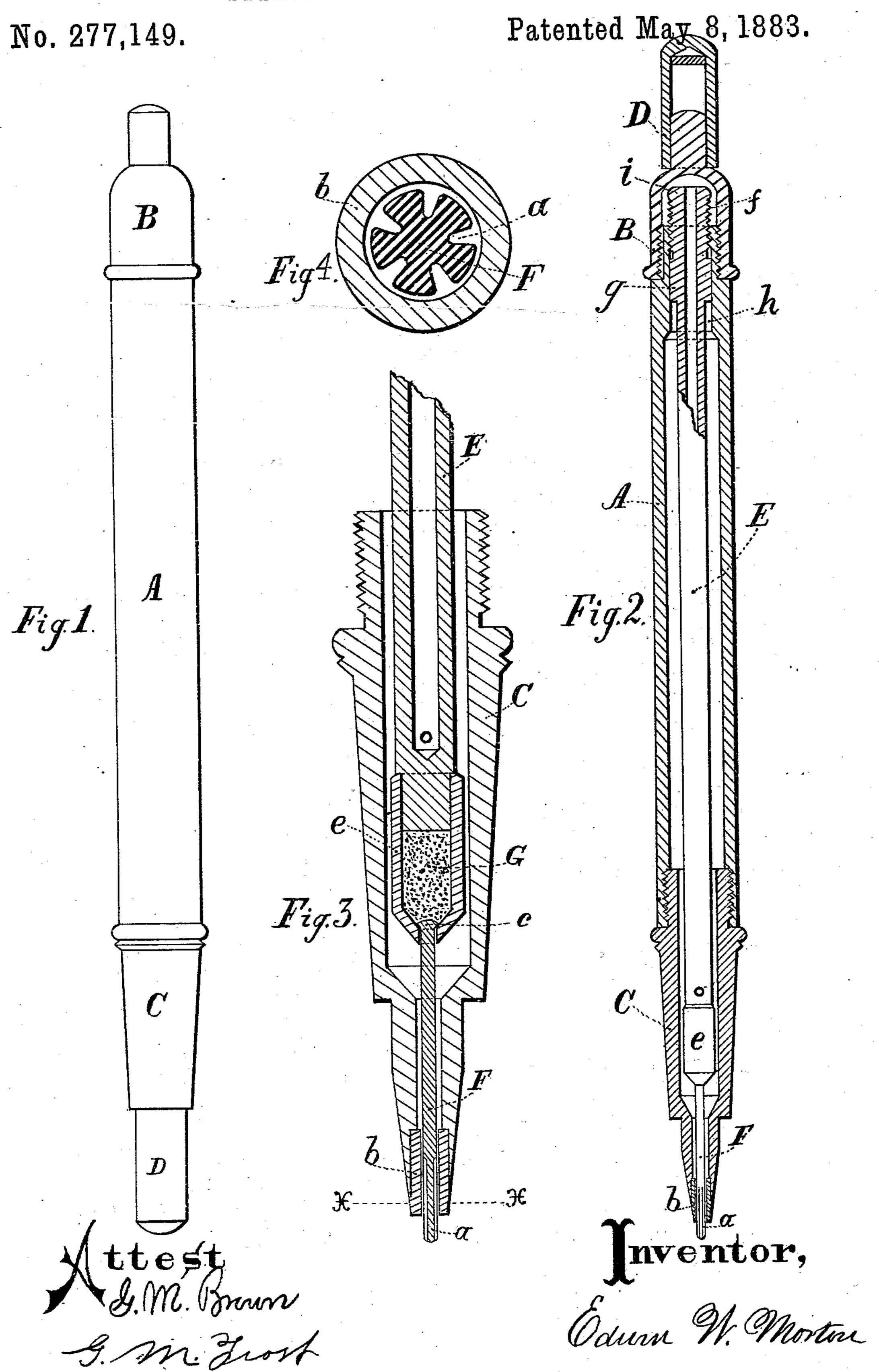
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN W. MORTON, residing at White Plains, in the county of West-chester and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Stylographic Fountain-Pens, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a point for fountain-pens that may be extended

as it wears away.

The nature of my invention consists in providing a cushion or spring composed of soft rubber or other similar material inclosed in a cap or short tube placed on the lower end of the air-tube, which gives a certain amount of elasticity to the writing-point, and by its vibratory movement prevents the ink from dry-

ing in the tube near the point.

My invention also consists in loosely screwing the air-tube in the upper part of the pen, and enlarging the air-tube near the screw, so as to fit tightly in a corresponding-sized bore

in the top of the pen.

Figure 1 represents the exterior of the pen when closed for carrying in the pocket. Fig. 2

25 is a longitudinal sectional view. Fig. 3 is an enlarged longitudinal section of the point-section of the pen. Fig. 4 is a transverse section taken in the line x x of Fig. 3, it being very much enlarged to clearly show the form of the needle or writing point.

Similar letters refer to similar parts through-

out the several views.

In the accompanying drawings, A is the inkreservoir, preferably made of hard rubber or 35 other similar non-corrosive material.

B is the vent-cap.

C is the point-section; D, the point-cover; E, the air-tube; F, the needle or writing point,

and G the rubber spring or cushion.

The needle F is of one size throughout, and

has cut in its lower end one or more flutes or grooves, a, five being preferred, as shown clearly in Fig. 4, said grooves to conduct the ink from the tube b down to the paper, the difference in the size of the needle above the grooves and the size of the bore in the metal tube b being just sufficient to properly govern the supply of ink. The upper end of the needle F is enlarged to form a head, c, which rests against the rubber spring or cushion G,

and both the needle and the cushion being kept in position by a cap, e, held frictionally to the lower end of the air-tube E or an extension thereof. The rubber cushion allows of an endwise vibratory movement of the nee- 55 dle, preventing dry ink forming in the tube b. It also makes an easier and softer writing pen than those with a fixed point, as heretofore. The upper end of the air-tube E is provided with a screw-thread, f, and just below the 60 screw it is slightly enlarged to form a piston, g. A hole, h, is bored in the upper part of the ink-reservoir A of such a size that the piston g will just enter and be able to pass through said bore, but tight enough to make an air- 65 tight joint. The upper part of the bore h is cut interiorly with a screw-thread to engage loosely the corresponding screw, f, on the air-tube E. Thus by removing the air-cap B and turning the air-tube E by the knurled head i the air- 70 tube E, carrying the needle F, can be screwed in or out to properly adjust the distance that the end of the needle F projects from the end of the tube b, so that the pressure of writing will not force the needle up far enough to allow 75 the end of the tube b to touch the paper, and also to extend the needle F as it wears away, thus keeping the writing point always the same until it is entirely worn out, when it may easily be reptaced by a new one by simply re- 80 moving the cap e and dropping out the rubber cushion G. The fluted end of the needle may also be tipped with iridium, to more effectually prevent wear.

I claim as my invention-

1. In a fountain-pen, the combination of the fluted needle F, provided with an enlargement or head, c, the rubber cushion G, and cap e, attached to the tube E, as herein described and shown, and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a fountain-pen, the combination of the air-tube E, provided with a loosely-fitting screw, f, and the piston g, fitting tightly in the bore h, as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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