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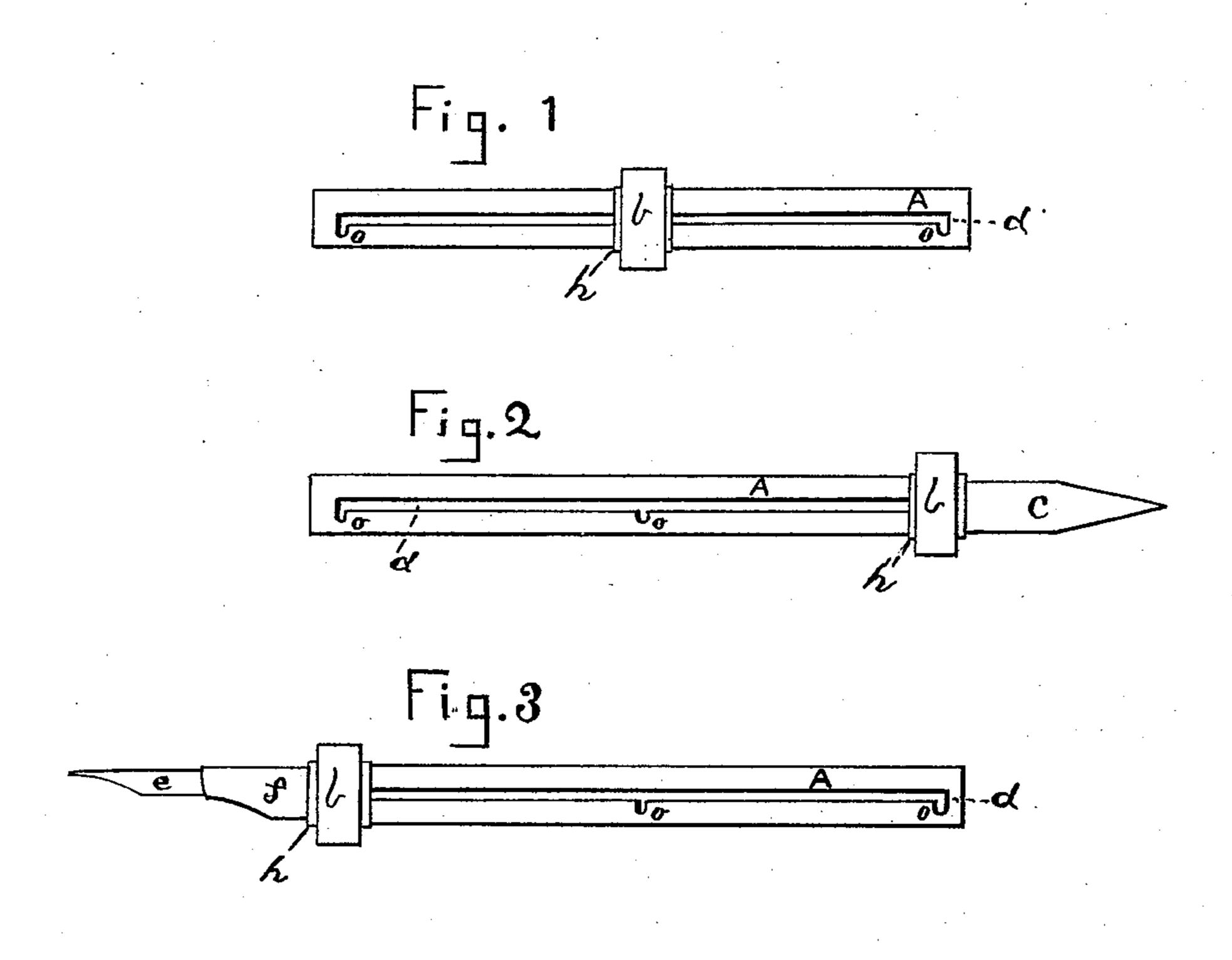


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HAZEN P. HUNTOON, a citizen of the United States, residing in Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Pen and Pencil Cases, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to that class of pen or pencil cases consisting of a tube into which to the pen or pencil is drawn or projected from by a slide operated at and moving upon the outside of the tube

outside of the tube.

This invention relates further, also, to a novel combination in the slide by which a band of rubber or other suitable elastic substance is used for purposes which are described hereinafter more in detail.

The object of this invention is to produce a simple and inexpensive device by which a 20 pen and pencil may be contained in one case, the whole being illustrated in the accompany-

ing drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of a pen or pencil case with the pen and pencil both protected within the case. Fig. 2 shows a side view of a case with a pencil extended. Fig. 3 shows a side view of a case with a pen extended, and Fig. 4 shows a plan or transverse view of the slide.

Similar letters of reference refer to similar parts.

A consists of a tube of suitable material and dimensions, such as is ordinarily used in pencil-cases of this class. A short tube, f, is 35 fitted to slide internally through the tube A, the internal tube, f, being adapted to receive a pen or pencil, or both—one at either end—and is also connected by means of a pin or rivet to a band or slide, h, which encircles 40 and slides upon the tube A, the whole being arranged in a manner common to cases of this class.

Through the wall of the tube A at one side, and extending nearly the whole length of the tube, a straight slit, d, is cut, through which slit the pin or rivet connecting the internal tube, f, with the band or slide h slides in a manner common to cases of this class. The slit d, running nearly the whole length of the tube A, (leaving at each end only sufficient material to insure proper strength,) may be made spirally in the tube, or in any other manner; but I prefer making it straight, the

object being to avoid abrupt turns or curves in the slit, so that the slide may be freely moved 55 from one to the other end of the tube A. The slit, however, may be provided with recessed notches o o—one at the center and one at each end—into which by slightly turning the slide the rivet or pin connecting the slide 60 with the internal tube, f, will engage, and thus lock the slide h and prevent its accidental movement.

The slide h of this pencil-case is constructed in a manner common to cases of this class, 65 consisting, substantially, of a flat band of ordinary construction. About this band, however, I place the rubber b, which consists of a piece of rubber, of a quality such as is ordinarily used for erasive purposes, and may 70 be of a circular, hexagonal, or of any shape that may be desired, and is clearly shown in the drawings. Instead of rubber, cork or any other suitable elastic material may be used; but I prefer rubber as embodying more ad- 75 vantages than any other material. The object and advantage of this elastic band b is that by increasing the size of the slide in this manner, which is done without material increase of weight, the means for grasping the 80 slide are greatly increased, and this is especially important when the pencil-case is used, as it often is, by persons with fingers benumbed by cold from their out-of-door occupation; also, from the friction incident to elas- 85 tic substances it has a tendency to prevent the pencil-case from slipping accidentally from the pocket, and for the same reason, also, prevents it from slipping from the ear, when, according to the well-known habit, it is car- 90 ried in that position. When the band is made of rubber, it is also useful for erasive purposes.

I claim—

1. In a tubular pencil-case provided with a 95 slit and notches, as described, and in combination with the same, a slide provided with an elastic band, as and for the purpose shown.

2. In a tubular pencil-case, and in combination with the slide thereof, an elastic band, 100 in the manner and for the purpose substantially as shown.

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