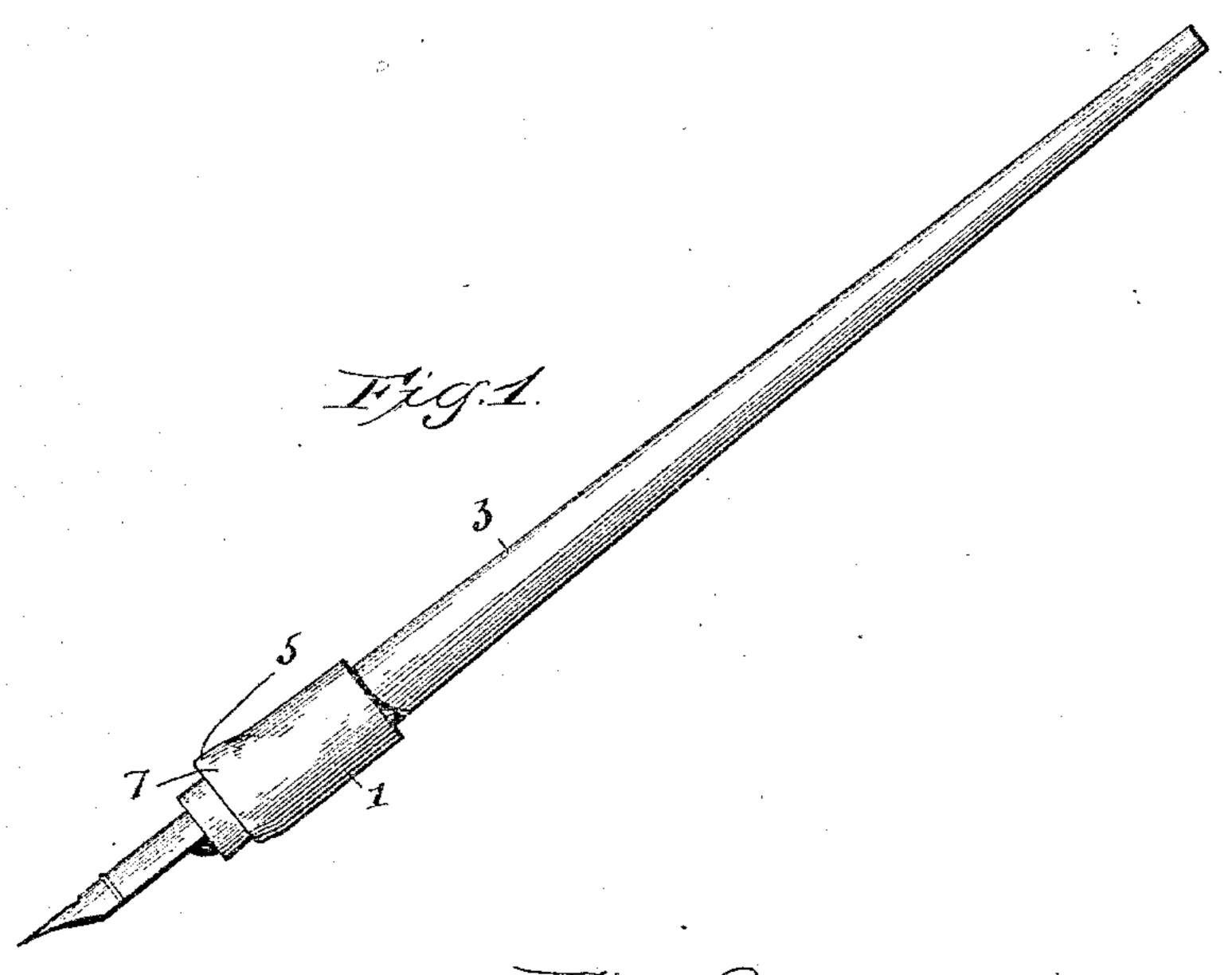
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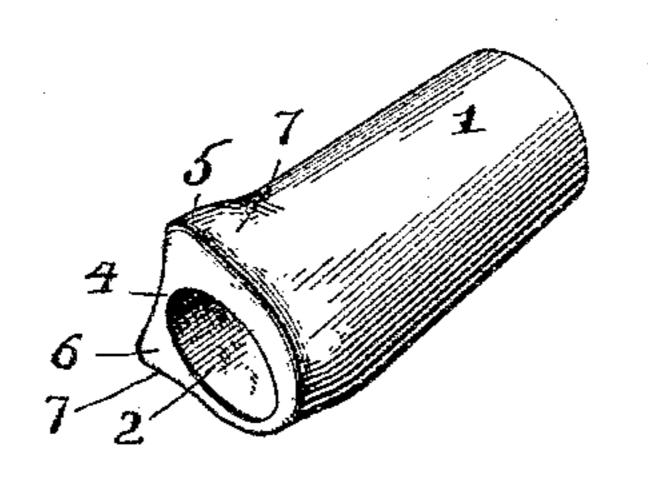


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABEL MISHLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Finger-Guards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in finger-guards for penholders and the like, and has for its object to provide such a device which may be readily applied to a penholder, and when in use maintains the relative position of the pen to the paper without cramping the hand of the penman.

With this end in view my invention consists in certain details of formation, hereinafter set forth, and specifically designated by the claim.

To enable those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains to fully understand how to make and use the same, I will describe its formation and adaptation in detail, referring by number to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of the pen and holder with my improved article in proper position for use; Fig. 2, a perspective of my improvement, and Fig. 3 an end elevation.

o Similar numbers denote like parts in the several views of the drawings.

1 is the body of my device, which is formed tubular in shape, having a central opening 2, adapted to be passed over and around the penholder 3, of any desired shape, and 4 is a concaved surface formed at the front end of the body, intersecting the curve of the latter and terminating in projections 5 and 6. From these projections extend surfaces 7 tangential

to the body, and which surfaces gradually 40 blend with said body, as clearly shown.

The device is preferably made of rubber or similar material, so as to expand when being applied to the holder and in order that it may snugly hug said holder.

In use the penman's forefinger rests upon the surface 4, whereby the holder and pen carried thereby are kept in their proper relative position to the paper, and his thumb and second finger bear against the rounded portions of the 50 device, thus admitting of the free adaptation of the device to his grasp and permitting any alteration of the position of his fingers without affecting the position of the pen and holder. The advantage of this will be readily seen, as 55 it obviates all tendency to cramp the hand by compelling the penman to maintain one constant position of his fingers when holding the pen.

I am aware that many devices have been 60 used which have for their object the placing and maintaining of the pen in its proper relative position to the paper, and I do not wish to be understood as laying claim, broadly, to the same; but

What I do claim as new and useful is— The herein described combination, of a holder 3, a body 1, concaved surface 4, projections 5 and 6, and surfaces 7, whereby said projections are blended with the body, as 70 shown and described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

ABEL MISHLER.

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