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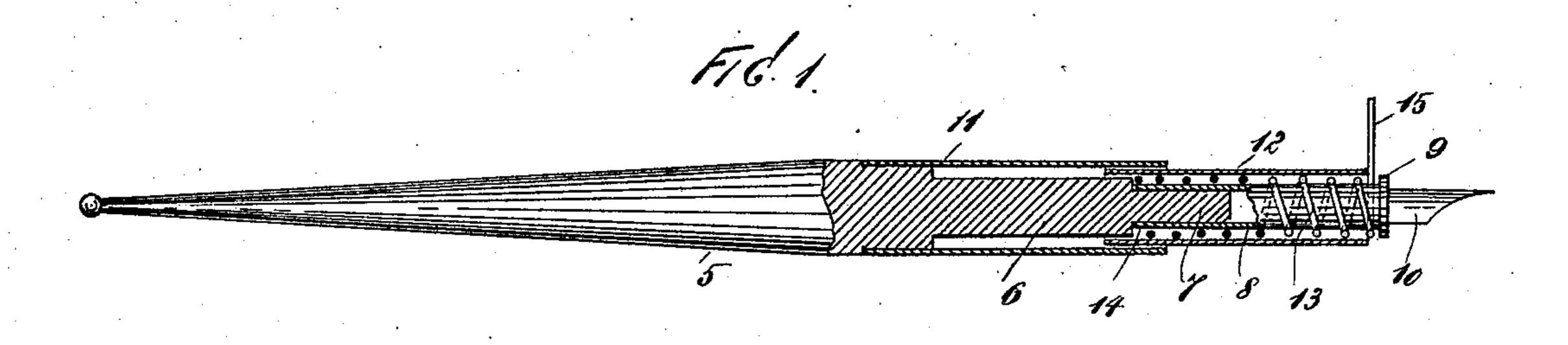
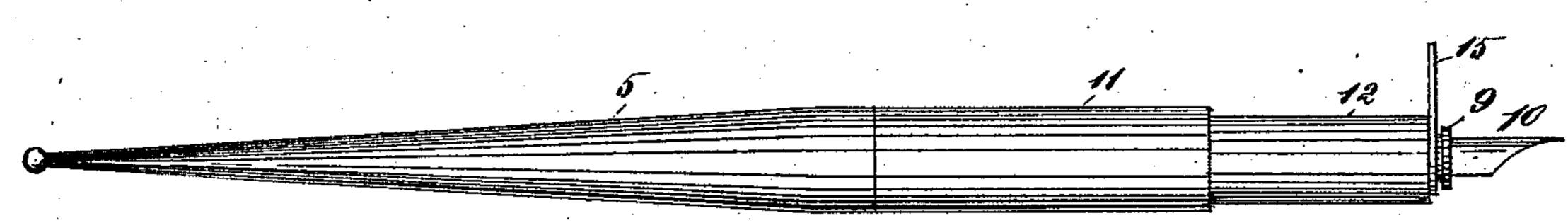


FIG. 2



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## PENHOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beitknown that we, Charles Milton Dun-Bar and John Roecker, Jr., citizens of the United States, and residents of Guthrie, in the county of Logan, Oklahoma Territory, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Penholders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part thereof, in which similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts wherever found in both views.

This invention relates to penholders; and the object thereof is to provide an improved penholder which is designed to prevent the fingers from being smeared with ink in the use thereof.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which—

Figure 1 is a sectional side view of our improved penholder, and Fig. 2 a side view thereof.

In the practice of our invention we provide a pen-stock 5 of the usual or any preferred form, and which may be composed of wood, rubber, paper, or any desired material, and said pen-stock is provided at one end with a reduced cylindrical extension 6, which is also provided with a similar reduced cylindrical extension 7, and mounted on the cylindrical extension 7 is a tubular penholder 8, provided at its outer end with a rim or flange 9, and said holder 8 is adapted to receive a pen 10.

Mounted on the end of the pen-stock 5, adjacent to the cylindrical extension 6, is a tube 11, and mounted in said tube 11 is a sliding sleeve 12, and mounted on the tubular penholder 8 is a spiral spring 13, one end of which 40 has a bearing at the inner end of the tubular penholder, as shown at 14, and the other end of which, in the normal position of the spring, bears upon the flange or rim 9 of the penholder, at the outer end thereof, and said 45 spring is provided at its outer end with an outwardly-directed guard or extension 15, against which the outer end of the sleeve 12 abuts, and said sleeve 12 is secured to said guard or extension 15 of the spring 13 and is 50 movable therewith.

The operation will be readily understood

from the foregoing description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the following statement thereof: In dipping for ink the wire guard 15 strikes the 55 edge of the neck of the bottle, and the sleeve 12 may be or is forced backwardly against the operation of the spring 13, thus allowing the pen to be projected or lowered into the neck, and when the pen is withdrawn from the bot- 60 tle the sleeve 12 is forced forwardly into the position shown in Fig. 1 by the operation of the spring 13, and by means of this arrangement no ink can reach the sleeve 12, and the fingers are thus prevented from becoming 65 smeared therewith. The pen 10 may be connected with the tubular penholder 13 in any desired manner, and said tubular penholder may be cleaned whenever desired, and, as will be seen, this device is simple in construc- 70 tion and operation and perfectly adapted to accomplish the result for which it is intended, while being comparatively inexpensive, and it is evident that changes in and modifications of the construction herein described 75 may be made without departing from the spirit of our invention or sacrificing its advantages.

Having fully described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters 80 Patent—

1. The combination with a suitable penstock, provided with a cylindrical reduced extension, at one end, of a tubular penholder connected therewith, a sliding spring-oper-85 ated sleeve mounted on said penholder, said sleeve and said spring being provided at their outer ends with a guard by which they are adapted to be forced backwardly, when the pen is inserted into an ink-bottle, and said 90 stock being also provided with a tube which incloses the end of said sleeve, and into which said sleeve is adapted to be forced, substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination with a pen-stock, pro- 95 vided at one end with a reduced cylindrical extension, which is also provided at its outer end with a reduced cylindrical extension, of a penholder mounted on said last-named extension, a spiral spring mounted thereon, a 100 sliding sleeve mounted on said spring, and inclosing the same, and connected with the

outer end thereof, by means of a guard, and a tube mounted on the pen-stock, and inclosing the inner end of said sliding sleeve, and into which said sleeve is adapted to be forced, by said guard when the pen is inserted into an ink-bottle, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as

our invention we have signed our names, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 7th 10 day of July, 1896.

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