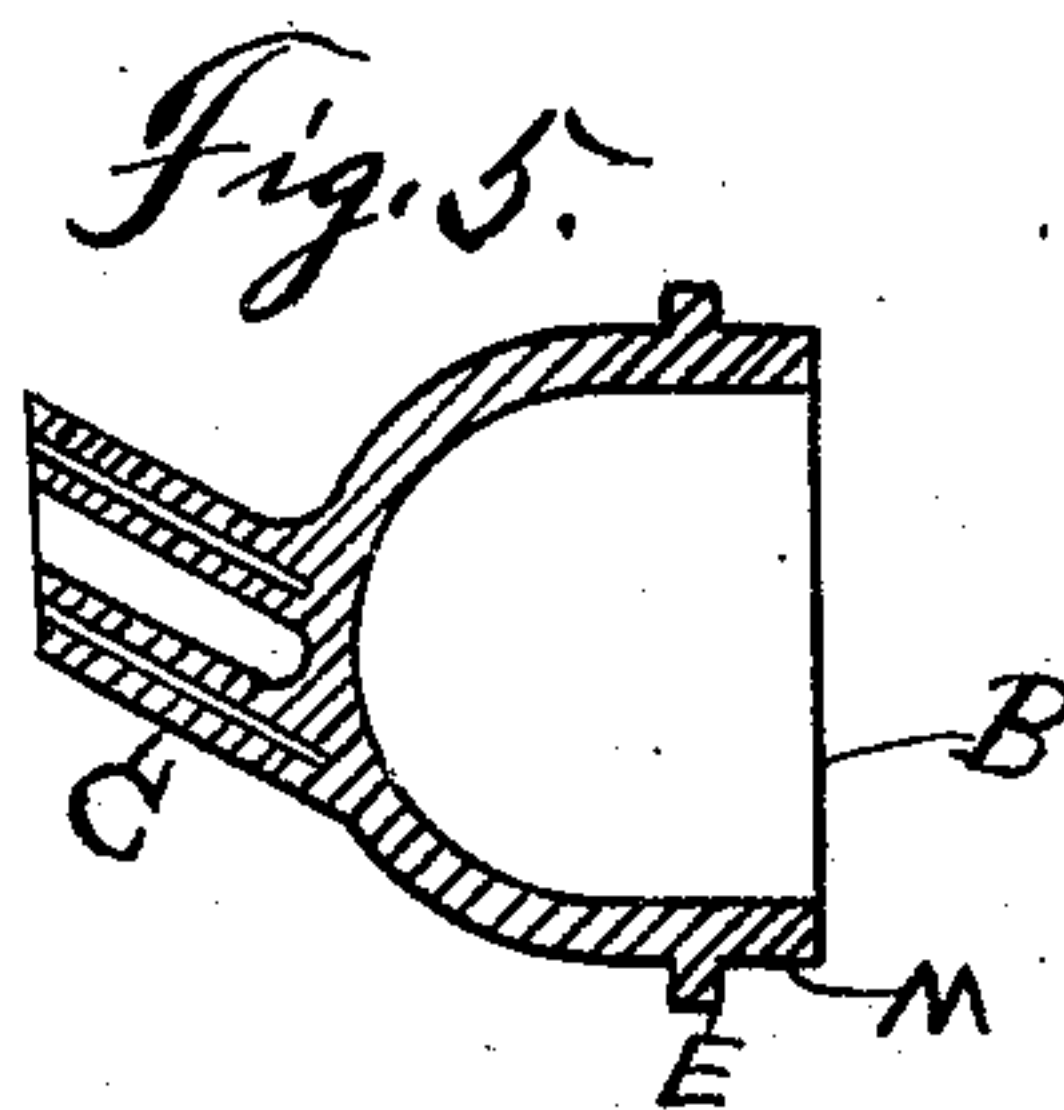
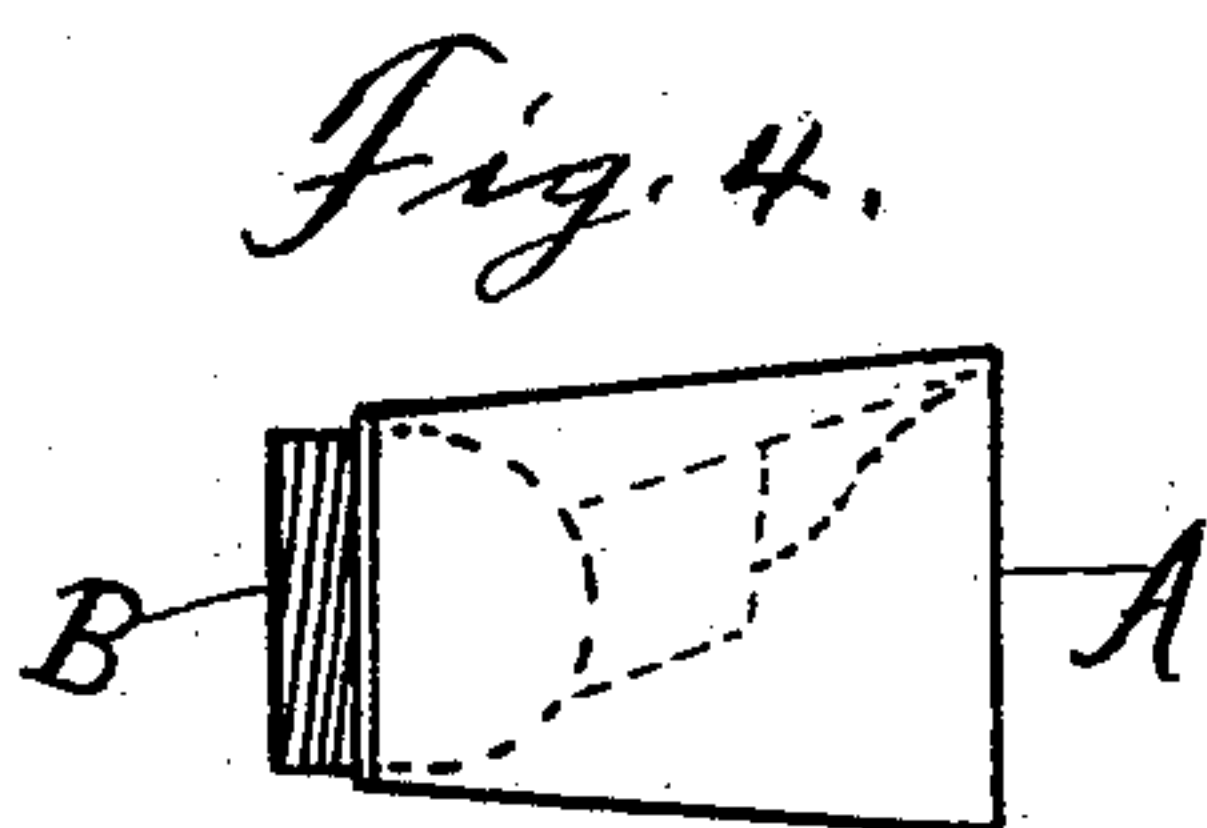
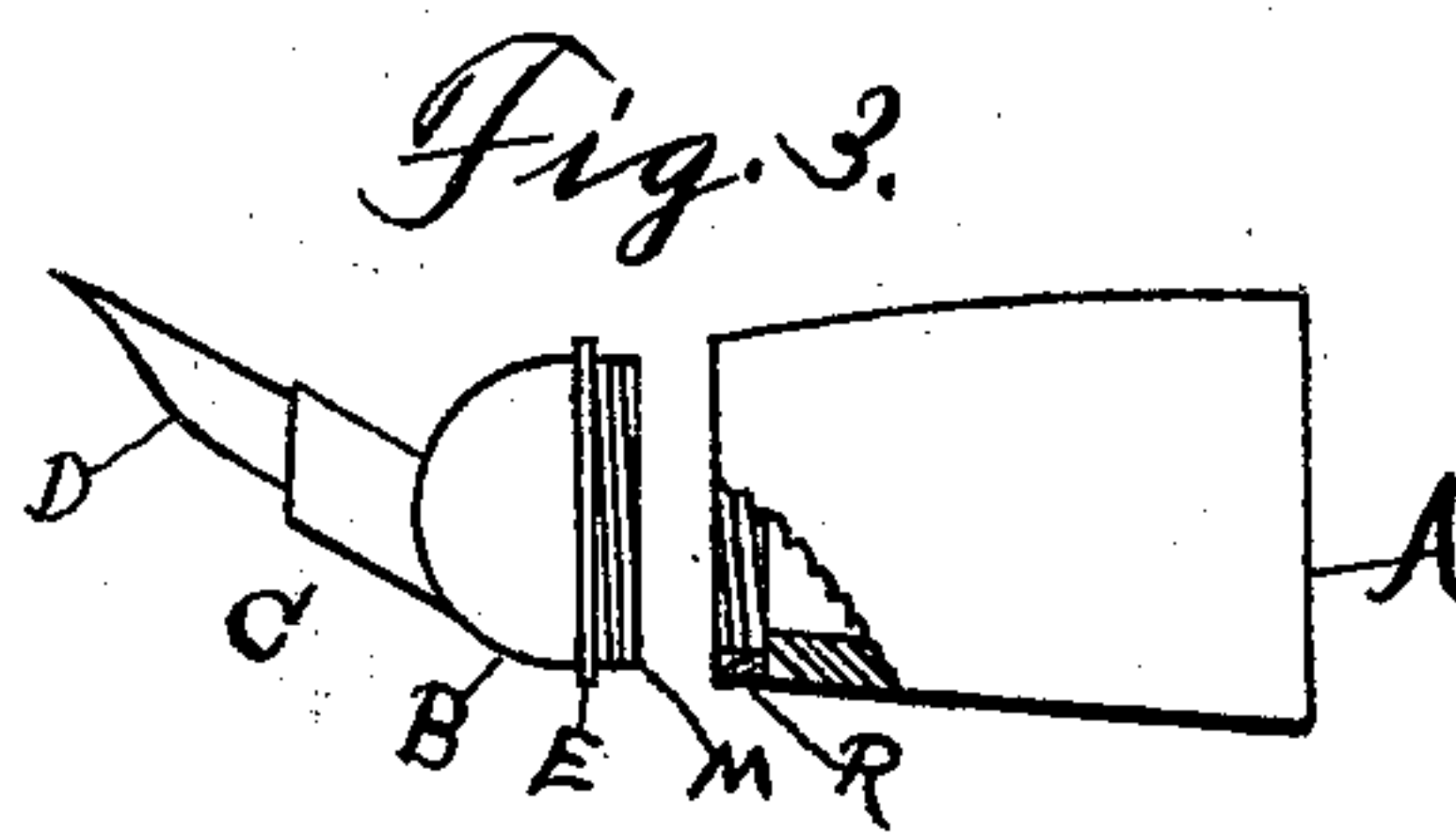
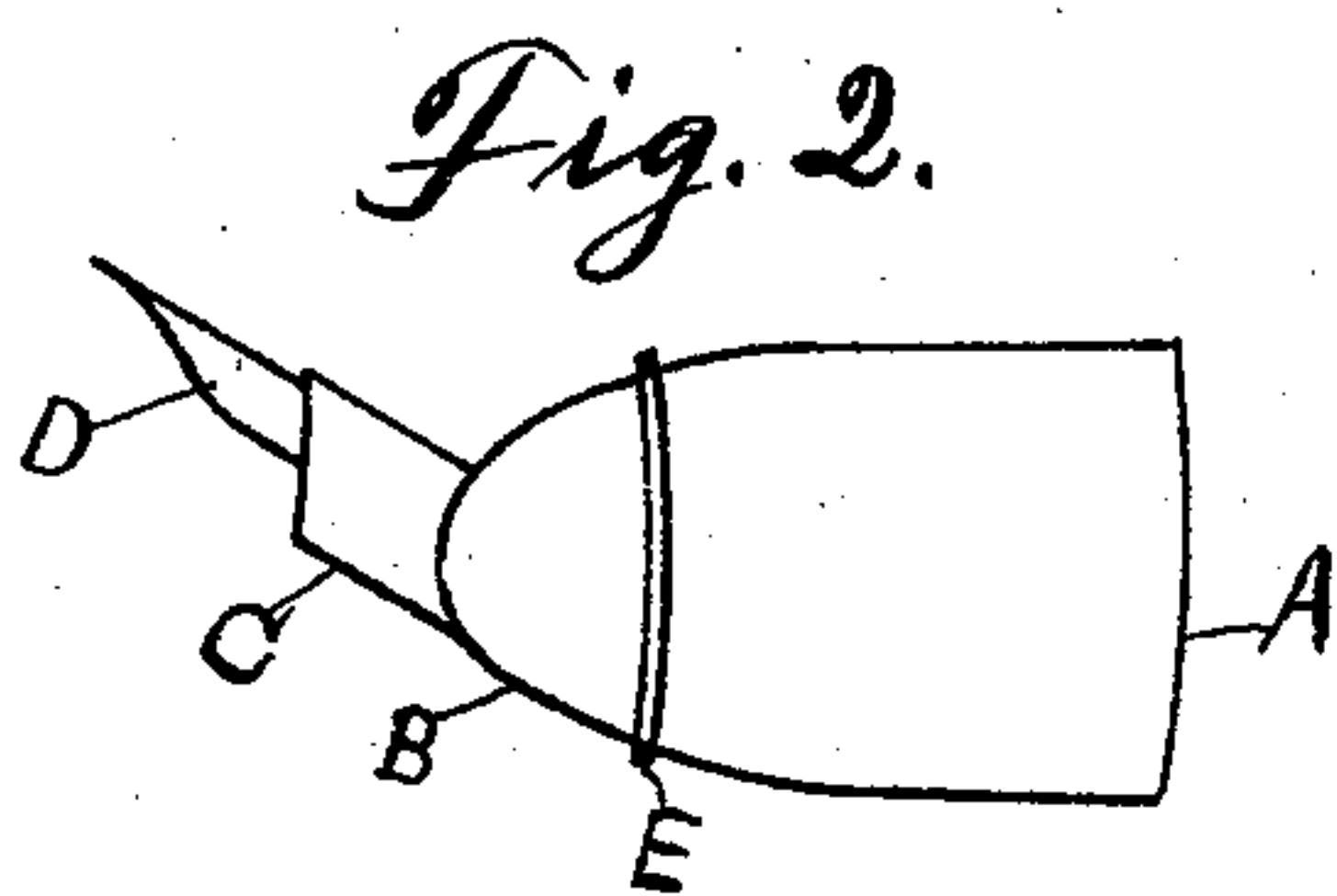
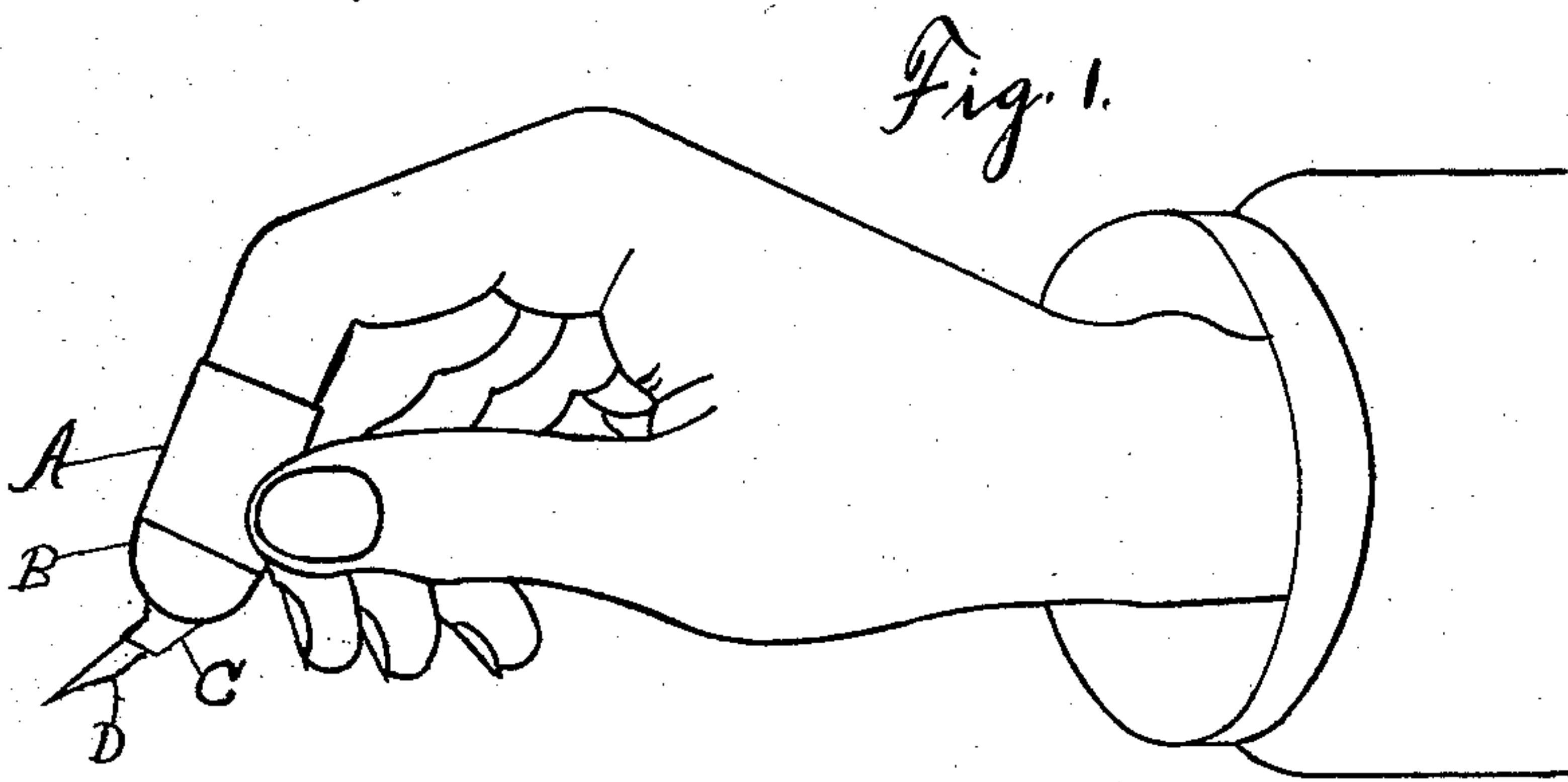


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE C. WARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fort Worth, Texas, have invented a new and Improved Penholder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in penholders or writing implements, and more particularly to that class of penholders that are constructed and arranged to be fitted to, worn, and guided entirely by the index or fore finger while writing.

It is the purpose of my invention to improve this class of penholders and provide one that is simple in construction and which can be readily carried in the pocket without liability of breaking the pen-point.

Briefly, the invention consists in constructing a writing implement that can be worn upon the finger and which consists of an open-ended hollow thimble with a detachable and reversible cap-piece having a projecting stud arranged to receive a pen-point, said cap-piece being so constructed that either end may be inserted into the hollow thimble. When in use, the hollow end of the cap-piece will be inserted into the thimble, and when not in use the solid end that carries the pen-point will be inserted into the thimble, thereby protecting the pen and making the device easier to carry.

To these ends the invention consists in the novel features of construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described, and more definitely pointed out in the claims.

In the annexed drawings, illustrating my invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hand showing one of my penholders applied to the finger. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the device. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the two sections of the holder before being attached or connected. Fig. 4 shows the cap-piece telescoped into the thimble. Fig. 5 is a vertical section of the cap-piece.

Similar characters of reference indicate the same parts throughout the several views.

The holder is made in two sections A and B, which form a thimble and cap-piece, respectively. These sections are made large enough to go on the finger. Section B is held in section A by the part M, which is telescoped into A. This cap-piece B is prefer-

ably hollow, with an open and a closed end, the open end being so made that the finger can be inserted therein and lie close to the end wall of the same. A shoulder E prevents the cap-piece B from going through the thimble A and thus holds said cap-piece B in place. The parts of section B which are to be inserted in section A are made so that the exterior surface will be flush with and fit close with the interior surface of section A. If necessary, the surfaces which come in contact may be threaded, whereby the two sections can be screwed together. Section B terminates in an outwardly-projecting stud C, having a recess for a pen. When not in use, the section B can be taken out and turned and inserted in section A, as illustrated in Fig. 4. This will make a convenient way of protecting the pen and for carrying the pen in the pocket. Section A has an interior shoulder R, against which part M rests, thus making the interior of both sections as one surface.

The holder is to be made of any suitable material, and the part or section A may be perforated, if necessary, to prevent the finger from becoming too warm.

I am aware that it is not broadly new to provide a penholder or writing implement that is arranged to fit upon the finger and so held while writing, and I do not claim such a device broadly. My invention is distinguished from prior devices of this character by being made of two parts, one of which is made reversible and arranged to have either end inserted into the hollow portion of the other.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a writing implement adapted to fit on the end of the finger and consisting of an open-ended tapering thimble A, a reversible cap-piece B, adapted to have either end fitted into the thimble, said cap-piece being hollow and provided with an open, and a closed end, and an outwardly-projecting stud C formed integral with the solid end of said cap-piece and arranged to receive a pen-point, substantially as described.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a writ-

ing implement adapted to fit on the end of
the finger and consisting of an open-ended
hollow thimble A, one end of which is pro-
vided on its interior with a shoulder R, a re-
5 versible cap-piece B adapted to have either
end fitted into the end of the thimble, said
cap-piece being hollow and provided with an
open, and a closed end, an annular collar or
flange on the cap-piece arranged to limit its

inward thrust, and an outwardly-projecting 10
stud C formed integral with the solid end of
said cap-piece, and provided with a cut or
groove to receive a pen-point, substantially
as described.

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