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Fig. 1.

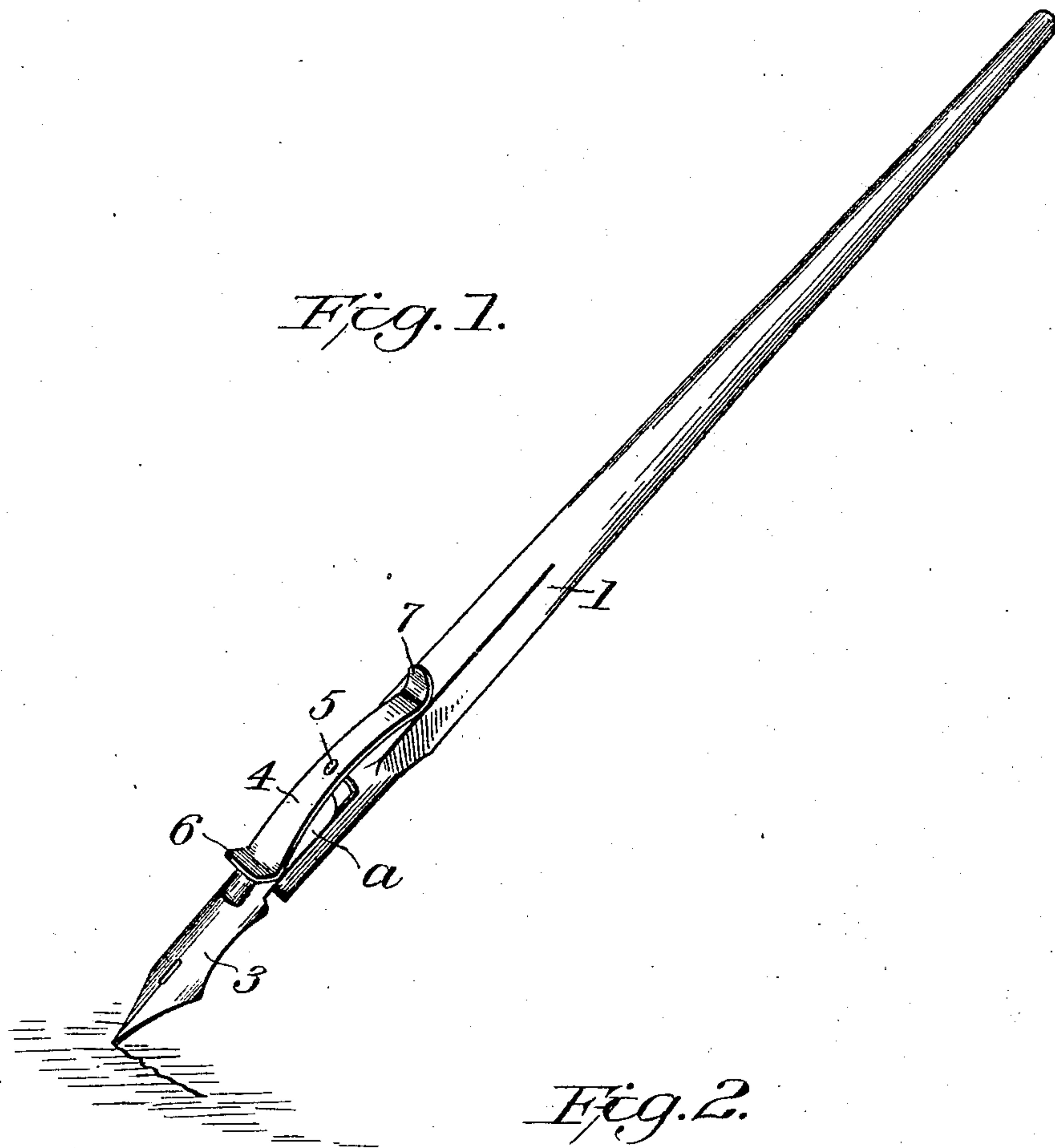


Fig. 2.

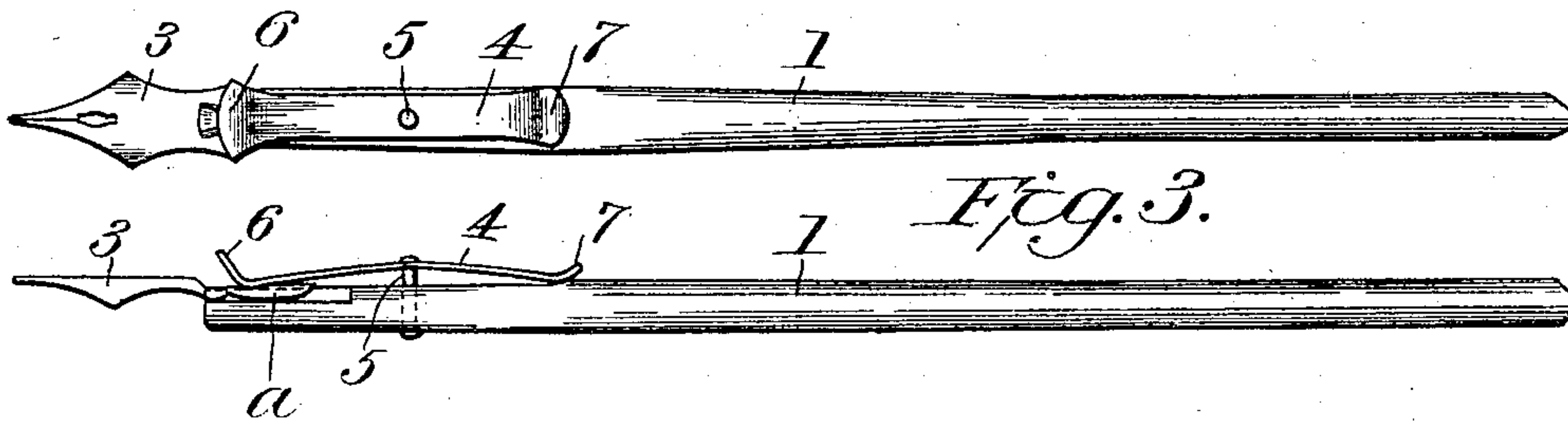


Fig. 3.



Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS J. LIBBING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fort Wayne, in the county of Allen and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Penholders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to pen holders.

One object of the invention is to provide a pen holder embodying such characteristics that the pen point may be easily and quickly ejected without soiling or injuring the user's hands.

Another object resides in the provision of an exceedingly simple, inexpensive, durable and efficient pen holder constructed of few parts, which are so related to one another that the pen point may be easily and firmly seated and easily and quickly ejected when desired.

With the above and other objects in view, the present invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims, it being understood that changes may be made in the form, proportion, size and minor details without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the invention. Fig. 2 is a top plan view. Fig. 3 is a side elevation. Fig. 4 is an end view with the pen point removed.

Referring now more particularly to the accompanying drawing, the reference character 1 indicates a stock of any suitable form having its inner end provided with oppositely disposed longitudinally directed shoulders 2 adapted to form a guide-way for the guidance and support of the inner end of the pen point 3, the stock at its inner end between said shoulders being convex to conform to the concave inner end *a* of the pen point.

The character 4 indicates a member adapted to cooperate with the shoulders 2 to hold the pen point on the shoulders. This member 4 is of spring metal and it is bowed, as shown. It is swingingly mounted on the stock 1 by means of a pivot 5 passed through the arm intermediate its ends and into the stock. The outer end of the spring member 4 is spatulate in form, and directed upwardly or away from the stock to provide a stop or shield 6 designed to prevent the

user's fingers slipping on the pen point and becoming soiled with ink and also to facilitate the insertion of the pen point. The spring member has its inner end directed upwardly to provide a finger piece 7 by which it may be shifted laterally upon its pivot 5 to eject the pen point.

From the foregoing it will be understood that the spring member 4 is bowed, and by reference to the accompanying drawings it will be seen that the inner end of the spring member bears against the stock 1, and that the outer end bears upon the inner end of the pen point 3 to hold the latter against accidental displacement. Upon inserting the pen point, the outer end of the arm 4 is raised and the member being of spring metal, the pen point is firmly held in operative position, the inner end of the member bearing tightly upon the stock to prevent the member swinging upon its pivot. If the operator will grasp the finger piece 7 and turn the member 4 to the right or left upon its pivot 5, the pen point will readily fall from operative position, whereby the pen is ejected without danger of injury to the user's hand and without his hands becoming soiled with ink. If the member 4 and the pen point should become stuck together by virtue of ink clogging between them, rendering it a little difficult to eject the pen, the member 4, by virtue of it having movement in either direction laterally, insures such sticking of parts to be readily overcome, because of the fact that the user has the advantage of forcing the member 4 in opposite direction against the clogged ink.

What is claimed is:—

1. A pen holder comprising a stock having a pair of shoulders forming a guide-way for the pen point, and a bowed member pivoted on the stock and adapted to swing over said shoulder to hold the pen point tightly on the shoulders and adapted to swing away from the shoulders to release the pen point, the outer end of said swinging member terminating substantially even with the outer end of the stock and being spatulate in form and directed upwardly to facilitate the insertion of the pen point and also to form a shield for the user's fingers.

2. A pen holder comprising a stock having a pair of shoulders forming a guide-way for the pen point, and a bowed member pivoted on the stock and adapted to swing

over said shoulders to hold the pen point tightly on the shoulders and adapted to swing away from the shoulders to release the pen point, the outer end of said swinging member terminating substantially even with the outer end of the stock and being spatulate in form and directed upwardly to facilitate the insertion of the pen point and also to form a shield for the user's fingers, the inner end of the swinging member being directed upwardly to form a finger piece.

3. A pen holder comprising a stock having a pair of shoulders forming a guide-way for the pen point, the stock between said shoulders being convexed, and a member pivoted on the stock and adapted to swing over said shoulders to hold the pen point tightly on the shoulders and adapted to swing away from the shoulders to release the pen point, the outer end of said spring member being directed upwardly to facili-

tate the insertion of the pen point and also to form a shield for the user's fingers, the inner end of said spring member being formed to provide a finger piece. 25

4. A pen holder comprising a stock, and a spring member pivoted on the stock and adapted to cooperate with the latter to hold the pen point in operative position and adapted to swing away in either direction laterally from the pen point to release the latter, the outer end of the spring member terminating substantially even with the outer end of the stock and being spatulate in form and directed away from the stock to facilitate the insertion of the pen and also to form a shield for the user's fingers. 35

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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