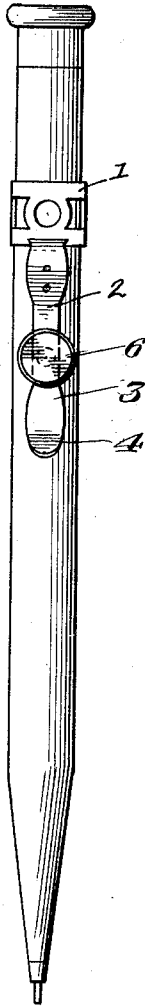


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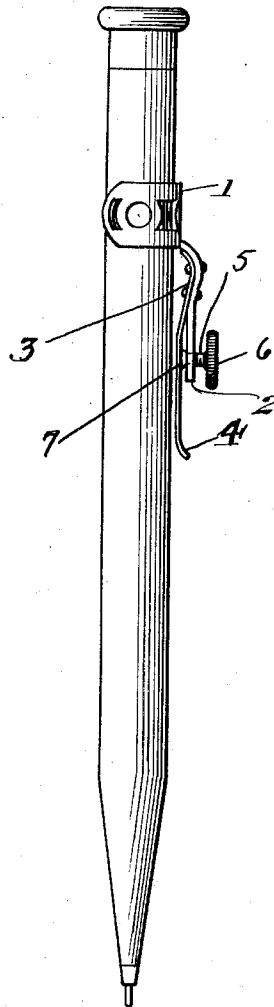
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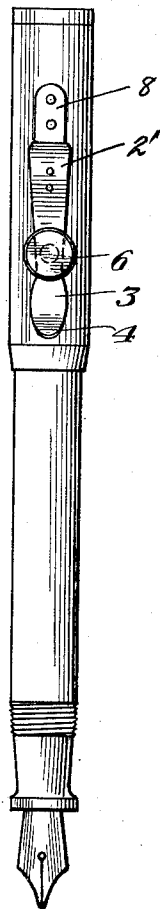
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## PEN AND PENCIL CLIP

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The object of this, my present invention is the provision of a holding clip for pens or pencils that shall be of an extremely simple and cheaply constructed device which will effectively secure the writing instrument to the clothing of the wearer and thereby prevent the loss of expensive automatic pens and pencils.

To the attainment of the foregoing the invention consists in the improvement herein-after described and definitely claimed.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is an elevation of an automatic pencil provided with the improvement.

Figure 2 is a side elevation thereof.

Figure 3 is an elevation showing the improvement attached to a self-filling pen.

As disclosed by Figures 1 and 2 of the drawings the securing means for my improvement is in the nature of a split spring band 1, which is arranged around and frictionally engages the barrel of a pen or pencil. The split spring band 1 is constructed of comparatively thin metal and in order to add to the lightness thereof as well as to its frictional contact with the pen or pencil the same may be and preferably is provided with spaced openings. From the lower edge of the split sleeve 1 there is extended an integrally formed finger 2. The finger, at its juncture with the band 1 is arched, but has its lower end straight, that is, parallel with the side of the band and with the side of the pen or pencil. In the arched portion of the finger 2 there is riveted or otherwise secured the curved end of a spring plate 3. The spring plate 3 extends a suitable distance beyond the end of the finger and has its free end curved outwardly, as at 4, to provide a suitable space between the said spring and the instrument so that the spring may be readily inserted over the pocket of the user.

There is screwed through the outer and straight end of the finger 2 a comparatively short bolt member 5 that has its outer end formed with a round head 6 which is preferably roughened or knurled and which has its inner end flattened or widened, as at 7. The end 7 is in contact with the outer face of the flat spring 4, and it will be apparent

that by adjusting the screw the finger will be forced toward the instrument and consequently compress the said finger and instrument against the pocket or other portion of the wearing apparel of the user.

The only difference between the construction above recited and that disclosed by Figure 3 of the drawings is that the finger 2', from its upper or outer arched portion is formed with a straight extension 8 which is riveted or otherwise effectively secured to the barrel of the instrument.

The simplicity of the construction and the advantages thereof will, it is thought, be apparent to those skilled in the art so that further detailed description will not be required. Obviously I do not wish to be restricted to the precise details herein set forth and, therefore, hold myself entitled to make such changes therefrom as fairly fall within the scope of what I claim.

Having described the invention, I claim:

A holding device for writing implements comprising a finger which has one end fastened to the implement, said finger, from its said fastened end being rounded and continued in a straight plane which is parallel with that of the implement, a flat spring fixedly secured to the inner face of the curved portion of the finger and projecting a distance beyond the finger and having its outer end curved outwardly, a short bolt screwed through the finger having an inner enlarged end to contact with the outer face of the spring and having its outer end provided with a head which is peripherally knurled.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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