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Fig. 1

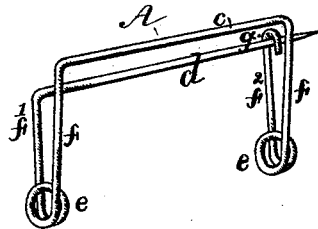


Fig. 2

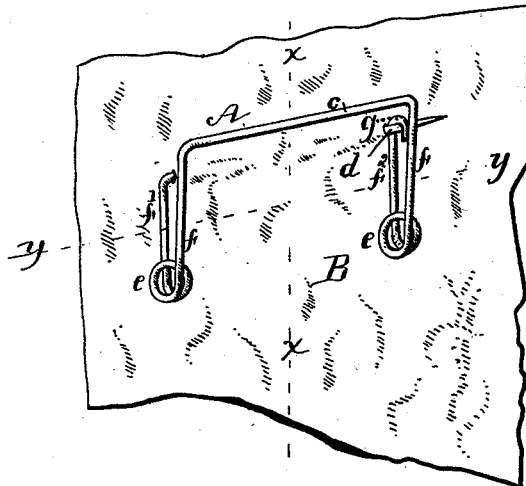


Fig. 3

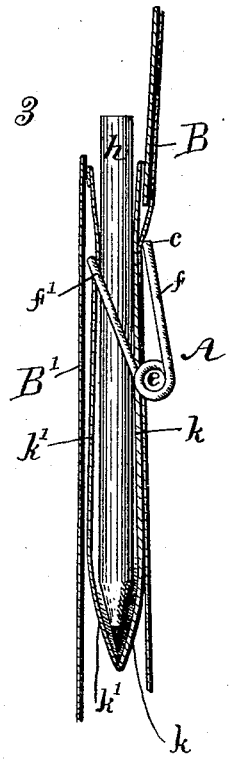
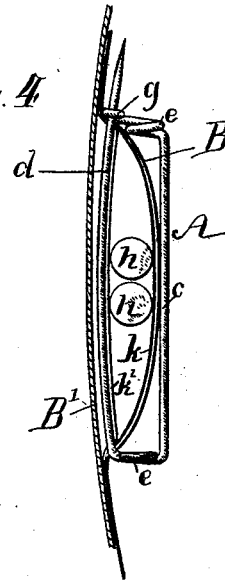


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MYRON BREWER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Haven, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Pocket-Guard and Pen and Pencil Holder, of which the following is a specification.

Many devices have been heretofore made and patented for carrying a fountain-pen and pencils in or near the pocket and holding the same in position to prevent such pen from leaking, and to prevent such pens or pencils from dropping out, as well as devices for closing pockets, and other devices to prevent the contents thereof from escaping.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient means for closing the pocket of a garment so as to prevent the contents from escaping, and at the same time allow the contents to be conveniently reached, and by the same means to hold pens or pencils safely in position.

Figure 1 represents my guard, which I prefer to make from one piece of wire, bent in the form shown in the figure, to be worn inside the coat or other garment. Fig. 2 represents the guard as worn inside the garment. Fig. 3 is a sectional view of Fig. 2 on line *xx*. Fig. 4 is a sectional view of Fig. 2 on line *yy*.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

A is the guard; B, the inside cloth; B', the outer cloth of the garment.

k and *k'* are the lining on the opposite side of the pocket.

One of the bars constitutes a pin *d*, which is inserted in the cloth of the garment near one side of the pocket at the mouth, and passes through and protrudes at the opposite side of the pocket, passing into the hook *g* at that side, the other bar *c* being on the inside of the garment, the length of the bars being about the width of the pocket. These bars are held together by the coil-springs *e e* at the bottom of the guard, so that the pocket will remain closed, but not so tightly but

that it may easily be opened to insert or remove papers or other articles; also, if pens or pencils *h h* are inserted in the mouth of the pocket the cloth on the two sides between the bars *c d* will be pressed together by the bars and coact so as to form a safe and convenient holder for such pens or pencils, and the pocket will still remain closed sufficiently to prevent any articles from escaping.

The guard may be made in any other form, provided that one of the bars be pinned through the cloth of the pocket and garment, so as to hold the cloth of the pocket and garment together by a spring.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A pocket-guard and pen and pencil holder formed of a single piece of wire, as above described, with the coil-springs *e e* holding the clamping-bars *c d* (one of which is a pin) together, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. A pocket-guard and pen and pencil holder formed of a single piece of wire so constructed that the bars *c d*, (one of which is a pin,) by means of the coil-springs *e e* at the bottom of the arms *f f f' f²*, coact with the cloth of the pocket and garment, substantially as and for the purpose described.

3. The herein-described pocket-guard and pen and pencil holder constructed of a single piece of wire bent to form the bars *c d*, (one of which is a pin,) the arms *f f f' f²* connected by the coil-springs *e e*, substantially as and for the purpose described.

4. A pocket-guard and pen and pencil holder constructed of a single piece of wire bent to form a bar *c* for pressing against the inside of the garment, a pin-bar *d*, which passes between the outer cloth and pocket, the arms *f f f' f²*, (one of which is provided with a catch *g*,) connected by the coil-springs *e e*, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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