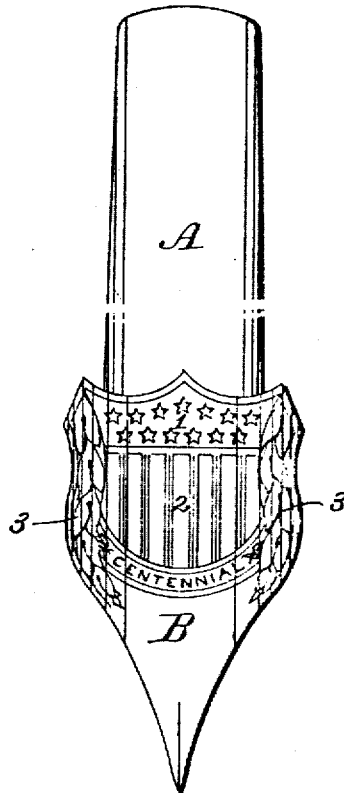


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM C. MARION, of the city of Brooklyn, Kings county, and State of New York, have originated and Designed a Writing-Pen, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making part of this specification.

The nature of my design is fully represented in the drawing; and consists in conforming the nib end of an ordinary writing-pen to the form of a shield, which is embellished with stars and stripes.

A represents the shank or portion of the pen by which it is secured in its holder or handle, and B the body, split to form the nibs, as is common.

The body portion B is so shaped that its general contour shall conform to that of a shield, as in Figure 1, and it is embellished by the addition of stars, 1, and stripes, 2, and with the myrtle-branches 3. A word, "Centennial," or a motto, may be applied to it.

While the embellishments represent the shield of the United States, any other, or that of any other country, may be used without departing from the essence of my design, which lies in giving a writing-pen the contour of a shield, and embellishing the field with the characters and ornamentation substantially as shown.

I therefore claim—

A writing-pen the body of which has the contour of a shield, and is embellished with stars, stripes, and leaves, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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