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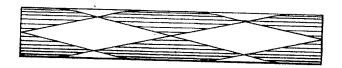
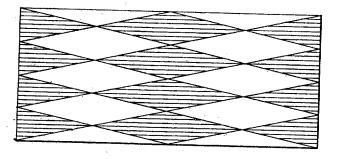


Fig. 2.





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DESIGN FOR CASES FOR PENCILS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN DICKER, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain Improvements in Designs for Pencil-Cases, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of a new design for cases for pens, pencils, tooth picks, and similar articles, the design consisting of alternating diamond-shaped pieces of pearl, or similar ornamental material, of differing shades or colors, arranged as shown in the drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a case or tube; Fig. 3, an end view of the same; and Fig. 2, a plan view of the same, represented as spread out so as to present a flat surface.

In constructing a case embodying my design, I select pieces of pearl or shell, or any suitable ornamental material, and cut therefrom a series of small diamond-shaped pieces, as represented in Figs. 1 and 2. The pieces, being properly prepared, are then arranged as represented in the drawings, and cemented or otherwise secured to the metallic tube or barrel, so as to come in alternate rows of dark

and light colored pieces, as shown, thus forming a design that is highly ornamental in appearance.

More than two colors may be used, if desired, and they may be arranged in various ways without changing the design.

As a matter of fact the mother-of-pearl, or what is ordinarily termed pearl-shell, comes in a great variety of shades; and thus, while the design is the same, many variations thereof may be produced by a judicious selection of pieces of different or varying shades.

The design thus produced is exceedingly beautiful and rich in appearance, and highly ornamental.

What I claim as my invention is-

The herein described design for a case for pencils and similar articles, said design consisting of a series of diamond shaped pieces of shell or similar material, arranged substantially as shown and described.

JOHN DICKER.

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