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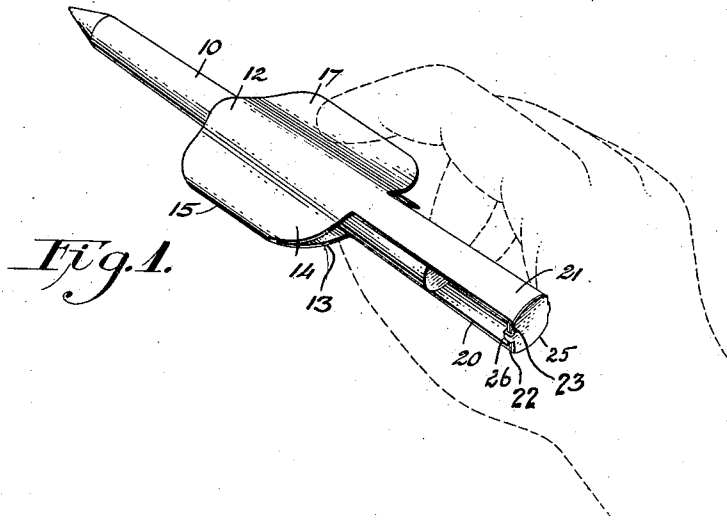


Fig. 1.

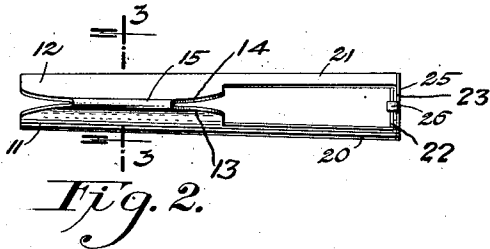


Fig. 2.

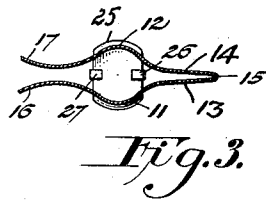


Fig. 3.

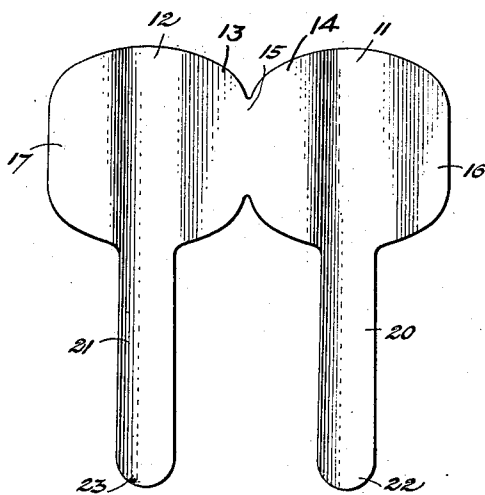


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PHILIP M. BIONDO, a subject of the King of Italy, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Crayon-Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved crayon or chalk holder more especially designed for use in schools and other places and arranged to securely hold a crayon or piece of chalk in place while writing or drawing lines on the blackboard or other surface, and to permit of readily adjusting the crayon or chalk holder.

Another object is to provide a crayon holder which is very simple and durable in construction and cheap to manufacture.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction as hereinafter shown and described and then specifically pointed out in the claims.

A practical embodiment of the invention is represented in the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the crayon or chalk holder with a crayon in position;

Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same;

Fig. 3 is a cross section of the same on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2; and

Fig. 4 is a plan view of the blank for forming the crayon holder.

The crayon 10 is adapted to be clamped between two segmental jaws 11 and 12 provided with integral upwardly extending flanges 13 and 14 integrally connected with each other at the top at 15 to allow the jaws 11 and 12 to move toward and from each other for clamping or releasing the crayon 10. The jaws 11 and 12 are provided with integral downwardly extending fingerpieces 16 and 17 flaring outwardly and adapted to be taken hold of by the thumb and forefinger of one hand of the user to press the fingerpieces and consequently the jaws 11 and 12 toward each other with a view to se-

curely clamp the crayon 10 in place between the jaws 11 and 12. The jaws 11 and 12 are provided with integral and rearwardly extending socket members 20 and 21 terminating at their rear ends in inner and outer bottom members 22, 23 bent inwardly and overlying one the other to form a bottom for the socket members 20 and 21, thus limiting the rearward sliding movement of the crayon 10 in the holder. The bottom members 22 and 23 are fastened in place by a bottom plate 25 overlying the outer bottom member 23 and having lugs 26 and 27 bent over the inner bottom piece 22.

It will be noticed that by the arrangement described the main portion of the crayon holder is made from a single piece of sheet metal or similar sheet material and hence the crayon holder can be manufactured very cheaply.

It will also be noticed that the crayon is readily held between the jaws and in the socket members 20 and 21, and the crayon can be readily adjusted lengthwise in the holder and securely clamped in place after it is adjusted on the user taking hold of the fingerpieces 16 and 17 and pressing the same together. It is understood that the fingerpieces 16 and 17 permit of conveniently and correctly holding the crayon holder with the thumb and forefinger to permit convenient writing, or drawing lines on the blackboard with the pointed end of the crayon.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:—

1. A crayon holder, comprising a pair of jaws adapted to hold a crayon between them, the jaws having sidewise extending socket members formed at their ends into a bottom, the jaws having upwardly extending flanges connected with each other, and the jaws having downwardly extending and outwardly flaring fingerpieces adapted to be taken hold of by the user to press the jaws together and thereby clamp the crayon in place between the jaws.

2. A crayon holder, comprising a pair of jaws adapted to clamp a crayon between them, the jaws having integral sidewise extending socket members terminating at

their ends in inwardly extending outer and inner bottom members overlying one the other, a bottom plate overlying the outer bottom member and having lugs bent onto
5 the inner bottom member, the jaws having integral upwardly extending connecting flanges integrally connected with each

other at the top, the said jaws having integral downwardly extending and outwardly flaring fingerpieces adapted to be
10 taken hold of by the user for pressing the jaws toward each other to clamp the crayon in place.

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