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Fig. 1

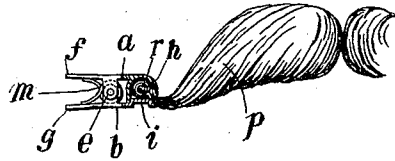


Fig. 2

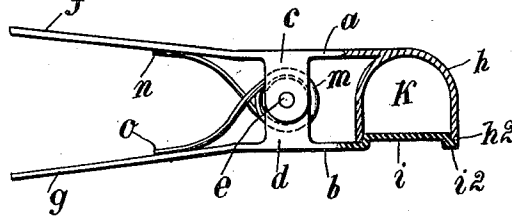
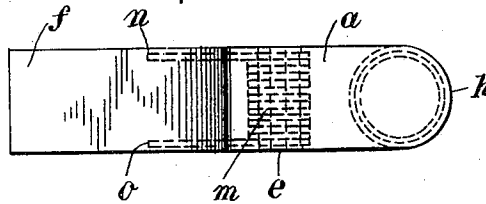


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM STEIN, a citizen of Russia, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Mustache-Curlers, of which the following is a full and complete specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The object of this invention is to provide a clamp device for use as a mustache-curler and which in practice is placed on the ends of the mustache after the latter has been curled by hand and which is designed to remain in this position for a short length of time, so as to crimp and hold the mustache in a curled condition after the clamp has been removed; and with this and other objects in view the invention consists in a device of the class specified constructed as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings forming part of this specification, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated by the same reference characters in each of the views, Figure 1 is a front view of my improved mustache-curler, showing the same in operation and part of the device being shown in section; Fig. 2, a view similar to Fig. 1, showing the device on an enlarged scale; and Fig. 3, a plan view thereof.

In the practice of my invention I provide a device of the class specified which consists of two members *a* and *b*, preferably composed of metal plates and provided with side jaws *c* and *d*, respectively, which are pivoted together at *e* by means of a pivot-pin passing therethrough. The plate or member *a* is provided with a backwardly-directed extension *f* and the plate or member *b* with a similar backwardly-directed member *g*, and these members *f* and *g* form handle or finger pieces, by which the device is held. The plate or member *a* is also provided with a forwardly-directed extension, having a yoke-shaped jaw *h* connected therewith, which opens downward, and the plate or member *b* is provided with a forwardly-directed extension having

an upwardly-directed jaw *i*, which fits in the yoke-shaped jaw *h*, and between the jaws *h* and *i* is a space *k*.

Wound on the pivot-pin *e*, by which the separate members *a* and *b* are connected, is a strong spiral spring *m*, one end of which bears on the backwardly-directed portion *f* of the plate *a* and the other on the backwardly-directed portion *g* of the plate *b*, as clearly shown at *n* and *o*, and the object of this construction is to hold the parts of the device in the position shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

In Fig. 1 of the drawings I have shown the operation of my improved mustache-curler, and in practice the end of the mustache *p* is curled by hand in the usual manner, as shown at *r*, and the clamp is opened in the usual manner and the curled end of the mustache is placed between the jaws *h* and *i*, as shown in Fig. 1, which are opened for this purpose and then allowed to close. In this operation the bottom front edge *h*² of the yoke-shaped jaw *h* and the front edge *i*³ of the jaw *i* securely clamp and hold the curled end of the mustache, and after the device has been left in the position for the desired length of time it is removed and the end of the mustache will remain curled, as will readily be understood.

This device may be made of very light material and is in practice made very small and is well adapted to accomplish the result for which it is intended and is also comparatively inexpensive.

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

1. A mustache-curler composed of two pivotally-connected spring-operated jaws one of which is yoke-shaped in cross-section and opens in the direction of the other jaw and is adapted to bear thereon, said last-named jaw being provided with an upwardly-directed portion which fits in the yoke-shaped jaw, substantially as shown and described.

2. A mustache-curler comprising two members pivotally connected and spring-operated, said members being each provided with a jaw one of which is yoke-shaped and opens in the

direction of the other, the other jaw being provided with a portion which projects into the yoke-shaped jaw, and said members being provided with portions which project in the direction opposite to that of said jaws, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 12th day of August, 1901.

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