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Fig. 1.

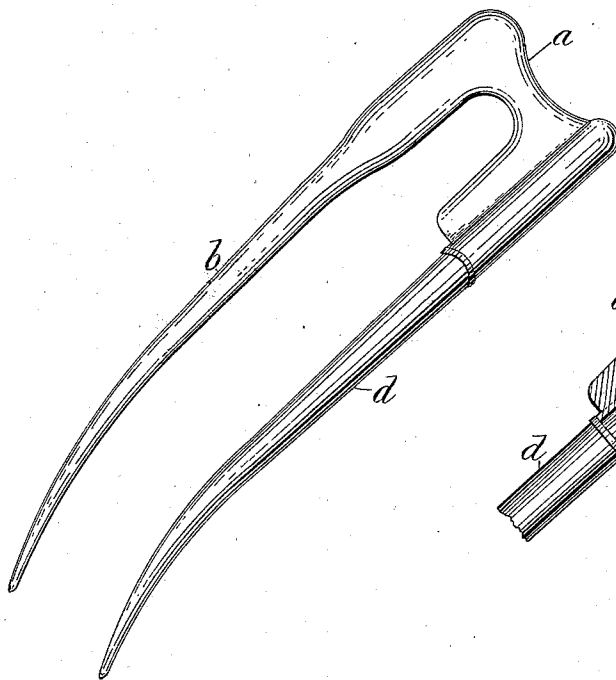


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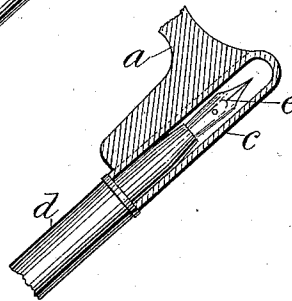


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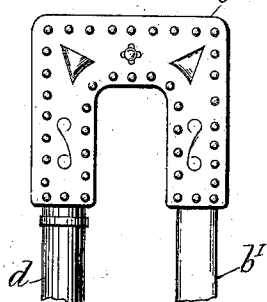
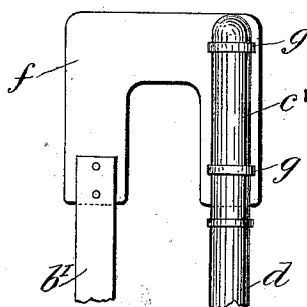


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ESTELLE YOUNG, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hair-Pins, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a hair-pin having two prongs, or more if desired, one of which is detachable and may be used for another purpose, as a penholder, while the other, or others, continue to serve their special purpose, thus adapting the hair-pin for a double purpose, as hereinafter described, reference being made to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a combined hair-pin and writing-pen in one form of construction suitable for my purpose. Fig. 2 is a detail of the same, partly in longitudinal section. Fig. 3 is a front elevation of a like device having an elaborate ornamental head common in hair-pins, and Fig. 4 is an elevation of the device of Fig. 3 in reverse view.

In Figs. 1 and 2 I represent a pin, such as usually made in hard rubber, horn, and the like, with the head *a*, and one prong *b*, and a socket *c*, forming part of the other prong in integral construction, the rest of the latter prong consisting of a penholder *d*, and being detachably connected with the socket by the end portion holding the pen *e* inserted in the socket with sufficient tightness to make suitable connection of the penholder for service of the holder as a prong of the hair-pin, said penholder being made in the same curved form as the other prong and the connection in the socket being such that the two prongs bear the same parallel relations as the prongs of ordinary hair-pins.

For hair-pins having elaborate ornamental heads, as *f*, to which the prongs are usually attached, as *b'*, I provide a separate socket, as *c'*,

and attach it to the head in any approved way, as by rings *g*.

For fountain-pens, the holders of which should be carried with the end containing the pen uppermost to prevent escape of the ink, this device is especially favorable, because the pin is usually, and may always be, worn so as to so hold the pen.

An essential advantage of this form of carrier for a pen is that when the pen is detached for use the rest of the carrier—the other prong—may be replaced in the hair, where it will always be found when the pen is to be replaced after use.

The invention is alike applicable to pins having any number of prongs. I represent one of two prongs, as that is the most common. It is also alike applicable for any other useful article having the form of a penholder that it may be desirable for ladies to carry about the person.

While I have represented the head having the socket and the other portion insertible therein as the means of making the detachable connection, which is the best because of the protection the socket affords to the pen, I propose to avail myself of any other approved form of detachable connection.

I claim—

A hair-pin consisting of a head portion, a prong fixedly connected to said head portion, and a prong composed of a short socket fixedly connected to the head, and a portion detachably secured in the socket substantially as described.

Signed at the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, this 6th day of September, A. D. 1892.

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