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Fig. 1.

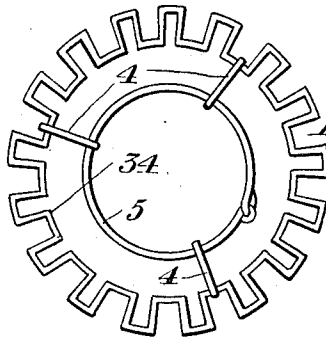
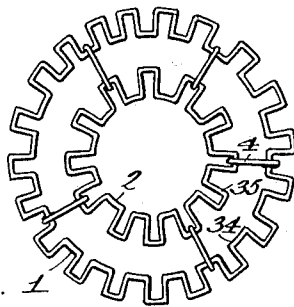


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIE T. LA PAUGH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Utica, in the county of Oneida and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hair-Drying Apparatus, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My invention relates to an improved hair drying apparatus, and I declare that the following is a full, clear, concise, and exact description thereof sufficient to enable one skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which like reference characters refer to like parts throughout.

The object of the invention is to provide a serviceable, cheap and convenient device to effect the quick drying of the hair, especially for the use of females.

It is well known to be a very slow and laborious task, ordinarily to dry the hair thoroughly after washing the head. Un- less done by artificial means at the hair dressers it requires a very long time to dry the hair thoroughly, as must be done to keep the scalp and hair in healthy condition. At the same time it is often desirable to massage the scalp and I show the invention in a form by the use of which this can be done while the scalp is being rubbed to liven the circulation, as well as dry the hair.

Various modifications are shown in the drawings, both of the device as a whole, to accomplish these objects, and in various parts of the same.

In the drawings Figure 1 is a plan view of a frame of the device showing its general construction; Fig. 2 shows a modified form.

In Fig. 1 is shown a form of device with two circles of wire or the like, 1 and 2, joined by wires or other suitable means 4. It will be understood that the devices of the invention may be made of any suitable material properly shaped and arranged for the purpose.

As clearly said one use of the device is to hasten the drying of the hair, after the head is washed. The hair is passed upward between the rings and beneath the smaller ring and is allowed to fall around the outside. This lifts and keeps the hair from the head and admits air to the scalp, among the roots and the tresses of the hair. The wearer then takes hold of the ring and vi-

brates the device in various directions. This operation tosses the hair loosely about, keeping it from tangling and insures free circulation of air through the hair and about the scalp.

If the wearer is near a radiator, in the sunshine or in some equivalent position the warmth hastens the result, but the free tossing and waving of the hair, free from the scalp and with the air moving therein, soon completely dries it.

The rings 1 and 2 may be variously formed and joined, as by bars 4.

In using the device the tresses of hair have a tendency to cling together. Some of the hair will naturally fall between the rings and the bars 4 keep the tresses from bunching at some point on the ring and sliding together on its edge. This function is carried out also in the form of rings shown in Fig. 1. The rings are formed with indentations 34 or projections 35, as there indicated, so that the hair is not only separated into tresses but the tresses are broken up and others formed by agitating the device and according to the extent and rapidity of the movement.

The inner ring rests on the head where its movement has the effect of many fingers acting in a multitude of spots. The longer hair falls over the outer ring and the shorter hair over the inner ring.

Fig. 2 shows the outer ring similar to that shown in Fig. 1, whereas the inner ring is a plain ring joined as at 6 and connected with the outer ring by bars 4.

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

1. A device of the character described, comprising a plurality of hair supporting rings arranged in a single horizontal plane and having horizontally extended portions, substantially as described.

2. A device of the character described, comprising hair supporting rings lying in a single horizontal plane and formed with horizontal serrations whereby to loosen the hair and to hold it from the head, one of said rings forming a means supporting the device relative to the head, substantially as described.

3. In a hair drying device, a hair engaging and supporting member, made of wire or the like in the form of four broken circles, the two outer circles made by bending

a strand of wire in serrations having alternate inner and outer portions forming spaced parts of two circles around the head and the two inner circles being likewise
5 formed, the innermost circle being adapted by contact of portions thereof with the head to hold the device in serviceable position.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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