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Fig. 1.

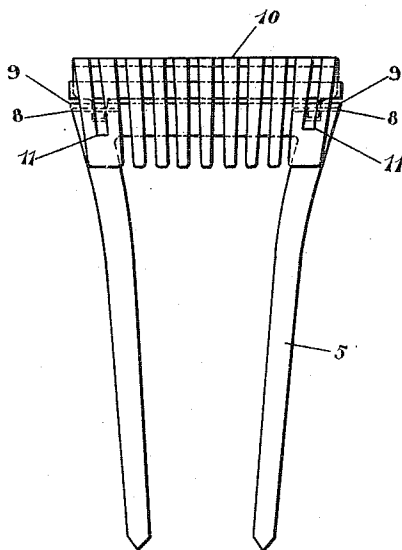


Fig. 2.

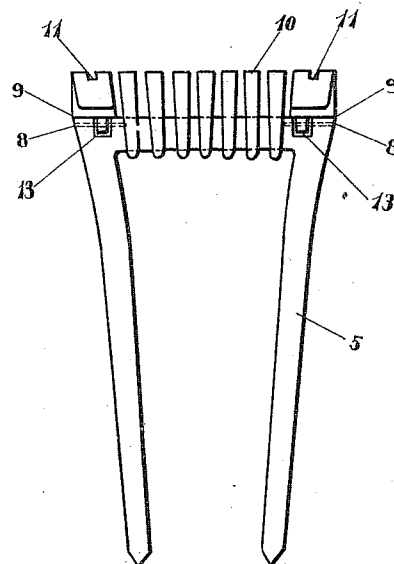


Fig. 3.

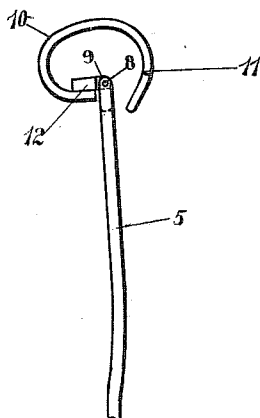


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED BURKE, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Leominster, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hair-Pins, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to personal wear and particularly to hair pins and combs.

An object of this invention is to produce a novel pin having an attachment designed to act as a clasp for holding hair in certain relation to the pin, means being provided in order that the clasp member may be moved to its operative position with relation to the pin without disturbing or disarranging the hair to which it is applied.

A further object of this invention is to provide a pin having a pivotal clasp provided with curved teeth designed to coact with the pin, means being provided in connection with the clasp for limiting the movement in one direction with relation to the said pin.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention consists in the arrangement and combination of parts to be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In describing the invention in detail, reference will be had to the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification, wherein like characters denote corresponding parts in the several views, in which—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of the front of the pin with a clasp attached thereto; Fig. 2 is a similar view with the clasp open; Fig. 3 illustrates a side elevation of the parts in the position shown in Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 illustrates a side elevation of the device with the parts in the position shown in Fig. 1.

In these drawings 5 denotes a two prong pin, the prongs of which may be of any appropriate contour, the said pin having a head 6 with recesses 7 therein, the said head 6 having holes 8 in the edges thereof which intersect the recesses 7, the said holes being designed for the purpose of receiving the pivotal pins 9. Acting in conjunction with the pin just described is a clasp which is pivotally or hingedly connected to the said pin, the said clasp being composed of a

series of curved teeth 10 which are connected to a cross bar or member 12, which cross bar or member may be termed the head of the clasp. The configuration of the teeth is well disclosed in Figs. 3 and 4, and their relation to the pin is also well disclosed.

From an inspection of Figs. 1 and 2, it will be observed that the two adjoining teeth 11 at each end of the cross bar 12 have their ends integral, and that they are reduced in length as compared with the teeth 10. The ends of the teeth 11 are preferably equal in width to the width of the prongs of the pin, as shown in Fig. 1, the said relation being maintained for the purpose of affording engaging surfaces for pressing the hair between the said teeth 11 and the prongs.

The cross bar 12 is provided with two ears or lugs 13 which lie in the recesses of the head of the pin and have apertures to receive the pivotal pins 9, heretofore described.

By reason of the relation of parts just described, it will be observed that the clasp may be articulated with relation to the pin, and in use, it is the purpose of the inventor that the pin 5 shall be applied to the puffs of hair of the user, and that the clasp shall be moved on its pivot in order that the teeth of the clasp may be closed over and through the puffs of the hair, after thrusting the prongs of the pin into said puffs. Of course, the inventor does not wish to be limited with regard to the use of his invention, for enough has been said, it is thought, to indicate that the device is susceptible of a variety of applications in uses as an article of personal wear.

I claim—

1. An article of personal wear comprising a pin having a head with recesses therein, a clasp comprising a cross bar having lugs in the recesses, pivotal pins for connecting the lugs to the pin, and curved teeth carried by the cross bar, two of said teeth at each end of the cross bar having integral ends.

2. An article of personal wear comprising a pin having a head with recesses therein, a clasp comprising a cross bar having lugs in the recesses, pivotal pins for con-

necting the lugs to the pin, and curved
teeth carried by the cross bar, two of said
teeth at each end of the cross bar having in-
tegral ends, and being reduced in length as
5 compared with the intermediate teeth, the
said integral teeth being in such relation to
the prongs of the pin as to coact therewith.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signa-
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