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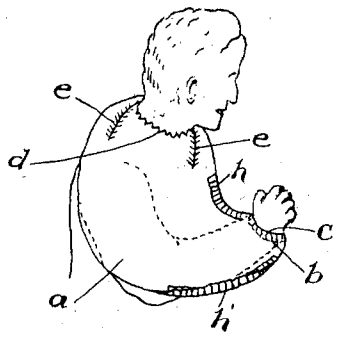
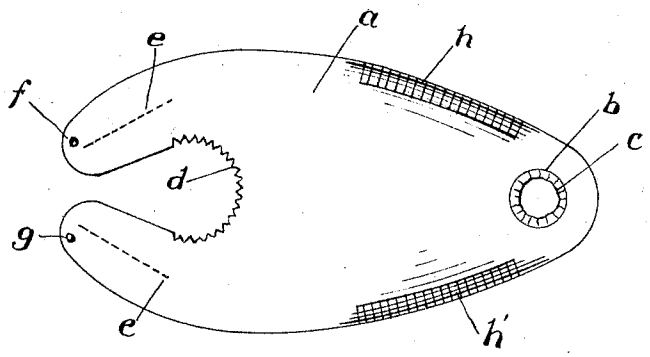


Fig. 2.

Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMMA C. PEASE, citizen of the United States, residing at Nantucket, in the county of Nantucket and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Aprons, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in aprons of the type that may be termed arm aprons, and is intended for use in connection with hair cutters which of late are coming so much in common use.

The objects of my invention are: to provide an apron one end of which is to be worn about the arm of persons cutting their own hair, or by a barber in the operation of cutting another's hair, or by the party whose hair is being cut by the barber and the other end buttoned around the neck of the wearer; to provide a means of catching and collecting the falling hair during the process of hair cutting; to provide an auxiliary comb which automatically acts to comb or brush up the hair at or near the neck so that it may be engaged by the cutter before cutting and also to dislodge the hair and cause it to fall into the apron after cutting; to provide a method of shaping the apron so as to give it a spoon or scoop shape when in use; to provide a method of fastening the apron about the neck and arm when in use; and to provide other advantages and results, some of which appear in connection with the following description.

I attain the objects as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which Figure 1 shows the outline of my device. Fig. 2, shows my device adjusted in place upon the arm and neck as it is intended to be worn.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In Fig. 1, "*a*" shows the apron proper; "*b*" shows the arm-hole which is adapted to fit around the wrist; "*c*" shows an elastic carrying hem about the circumference of the arm-hole "*b*"; "*d*" shows the combing teeth at the neck portion of the apron "*a*". The dotted line "*e*"—"*e*" shows the crease made in the apron "*a*" in order to make it scoop shaped about the neck; "*f*" shows the socket and "*g*" shows the ball which comprise the ball and socket fastening device for use in adjusting the apron about the neck; "*h*" and "*h*^{1}" show portions of the apron edges on both sides between the arm-hole and neck-portion which are fluted in order to draw the edges and give a scoop shape to the apron at its center portion.

In use it will be understood that the elastic carrying hem "*c*" in puckering about the wrist, the folding of the neck portion as indicated and due to the creased portions and the fluted portions "*h*" and "*h*^{1}", give the apron when in use the desired scoop shape both around the neck and between the wrist and neck.

It is of course readily seen that when the hair is cut with the arm apron in its position as outlined, the falling hair is caught and retained in the scoop portion of the apron, thus preventing the cluttering of the floor and rendering a sweeping unnecessary. When a person is cutting his own hair the comb teeth operate slightly with the motion of the arm and result in the hair about the neck being combed or brushed upward so that the cutter can act thereon. The teeth also act to dislodge the hair after it is cut and cause it to fall into the apron.

I propose to make my improved apron from rubber sheeting, so that it may be easily washed and sterilized after each using. It will, however, be understood that the apron can be made from any other suitable material or fabric at will.

The apron is preferably elongated in shape and somewhat elliptical, with the neck end formed wider than the wrist end, so that the apron will cover a substantial part of both shoulders and one arm only.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States.

1. An apron of the kind described, elongated in shape to cover the shoulders and one arm only of the wearer and having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the hand and fit around the wrist and having its opposite end so shaped as to fit about the neck, and carrying means of fastening together its neck shaped ends.

2. An apron of the kind described, elongated in shape to cover the shoulders and one arm only of the wearer and having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the hand and fit around the wrist, said opening having on its circumference an elastic carrying hem, said apron having its opposite end formed wider than the wrist end and so shaped as to fit about the neck and carrying means of fastening together its neck shaped ends.

3. An apron of the kind described having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the hand and fit around the wrist and having its opposite end so shaped as to fit about the neck, said neck shaped end carrying a series of teeth and having means of fastening together its neck shaped ends.

4. An apron of the kind described having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the arm, said opening having on its circumference an elastic carrying hem, said apron having its opposite end so shaped as to fit about the neck, said neck shaped end carrying a series of teeth and having means of fastening together its neck shaped ends.

5. An apron of the kind described having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the hand and fit around the wrist and having its opposite end so shaped as to fit about the neck, said neck shaped end carrying a series of teeth and having thereon means for doubling up to form a scoop around the neck, and fastening means for securing together its neck shaped ends.

6. An apron of the kind described, elongated in shape to cover the shoulders and one arm only of the wearer and having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the hand and fit around the wrist and having its opposite end so shaped as to fit about the neck, said neck shaped end having thereon means for doubling up to form a scoop around the neck, and fastening means for securing together its neck shaped ends.

7. An apron of the kind described having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the arm, having its opposite ends so shaped as to fit about the neck and having a series of flutes on both its intermediate edges.

8. An apron of the kind described having at one end thereof an opening sufficiently large to admit the arm, having its opposite end shaped to fit about the neck, carrying fastening means on its neck shaped end and having a series of flutes on both its intermediate edges.

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

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