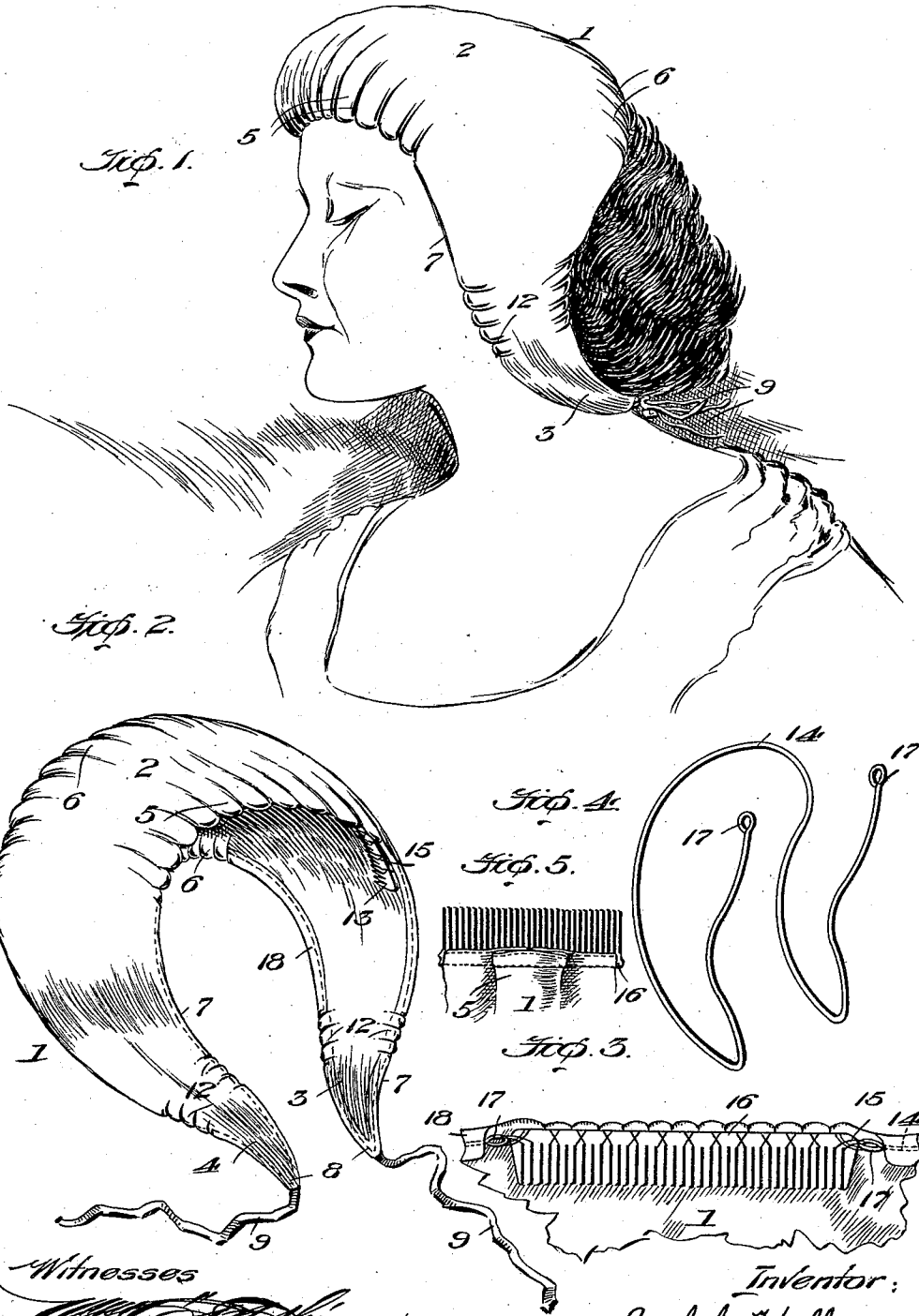


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISOBEL HILL, citizen of the United States, residing at Denver, in the county of Denver and State of Colorado, have invented new and useful Improvements in Toilet Caps or Hair-Guards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a toilet cap or hair guards.

The object of the invention is to produce a water proof cap or guard which may be quickly and conveniently placed in position, and which when in place, will fit snugly along the lines defined by the margin of the cap, to prevent the entrance of water, while providing ample room for the accommodation of the hair without injury or rumpling.

Other objects, subordinate to that stated, will appear as the necessity for their accomplishment appears during the course of the succeeding description of the preferred embodiment of the invention.

In accompanying drawings:—Figure 1, is a view of my invention applied. Fig. 2, is a perspective view of the same, removed. Fig. 3, is a detail view of the comb attachment, and Fig. 4, is a detail perspective of the wire frame. Fig. 5 is a plan view of a portion of the device.

The cap or guard comprises, essentially, a body portion 1, of water proof material as for instance, rubber, rubber fabric, cravette or the like, and a suitable frame designed to fit the head of the wearer and provided with means for securing the same in position. The body portion 1, is so shaped as to produce substantially parallel front and rear margins throughout its main or central portion 2, and is extended to form substantially triangular ends 3 and 4.

To secure the requisite fullness of the material, the central portion 2; of the cap is formed with plaits 5 and 6 at its front and rear edges, the lines of said plaits extending, of course, from front to rear. The plaits do not extend entirely across the cap but are secured at their ends merely to form what is in effect a gathering of the material at the front and rear edges of the cap. The end portions 3 and 4 are not truly triangular but on the contrary the front edge 7 of each has the form of a compound curve so that its front edge extends down across the face well forward of the ear, while its lower edge curves naturally rearwardly to the back of the neck of wearer. This peculiar

form for the end portions 3 and 4 produces what constitutes in effect terminal tabs 8 which cross at the back of the neck and are secured by strings or tapes 9 supplemented, if desired, by hair pins secured to the tabs 8 by elastics (not shown).

The gathering or plaiting of the material at the front and back produces a fullness of the intervening portions of the material so as to readily accommodate the hair of the wearer. It is also desirable to produce a fullness of the cap over the ears and side of the face, and this is produced by forming gathers or plaits in the material immediately above each of the tabs 8 as indicated at 12.

While that portion of the cap extending over the top, back and sides of the head must be sufficiently full to properly inclose the hair, it is essential that the edges of the cap lie snugly against the head and face in order to properly confine the hair as well as to prevent the entrance of moisture under the cap when the latter is used as an accessory of the toilet. For this reason the cap is given form by a marginal frame extending continuously around its edge and comprising a comb 13 and a wire 14. The comb is curved longitudinally with its teeth extending rearwardly to engage the hair as the cap is placed over the head and drawn back. The comb 13 may be secured in any suitable way, but preferably it is placed over the outside of the material and secured thereto by a thread 15 which is crossed over the back 16 of the comb, and thence carried through the plaited and gathered material in such a way as to secure the plaits or gathers 5. Thus the stitching serves both to secure the comb to the material of the cap and to secure the plaits or gathers of the latter. When the comb has been thus secured it is turned back into the cap and is completely hidden from view. In this position it constitutes means for securing the cap in place, by reason of its engagement with the hair and also serves as a form for the front of the cap and constitutes a portion of the marginal frame. It will be noted that this frame while flexible, is sufficiently stiff to cause the edge of the cap to lie snugly against the head and face of the wearer.

The wire 14 extends around the entire margin of the cap with the exception of that portion along which the comb 13 ex-

tends, and the adjacent ends of the comb and wire are secured in any suitable manner, as for instance, by forming the wire with terminal loops or eyes 17 through which the thread 15 is passed. While the comb 13 and wire 14 constitute a flexible frame extending continuously around the margin of the cap, as heretofore stated, it is to be observed that one portion of the frame to wit the comb, is not only flexible but resilient and automatically conforms to the head of the wearer, while another portion, to wit, the wire 14, is flexible but non-resilient and tends to retain whatever shape is imparted to it by the contour of the head and face of the wearer when the cap is drawn snugly into position for use. The wire 14 may be secured to the margin of the material in any suitable way, but is preferably bound in a narrow hem 18 or overturned edge of the material, the wire and hem being secured by a thread whipped throughout their length.

From the foregoing it will be seen that I have devised a simple, convenient and effective cap or hair guard, capable of being quickly placed in position, and which, when so placed, will fit snugly throughout the entire margin of the cap to effectually cover the inclosed portions of the head and protect

the same during massage or other toilet operations. It should be understood, however, that while I have illustrated and described what appears at this time to be a preferable embodiment of the invention, I do not limit myself to the specific structure shown but reserve the right to effect such variations of the described construction as may come fairly within the scope of the protection prayed.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A hair guard comprising a frame consisting of a wire having a forward bowed portion with return bent extremities spaced from each other and from the said forward bowed portion, said frame also including a comb connected at its ends with ends of said extremities, a fabric covering the frame of which the wire and comb constitute component parts, and tapes attached to the ends of the fabric at the ends of the forward bowed portion of the wire.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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