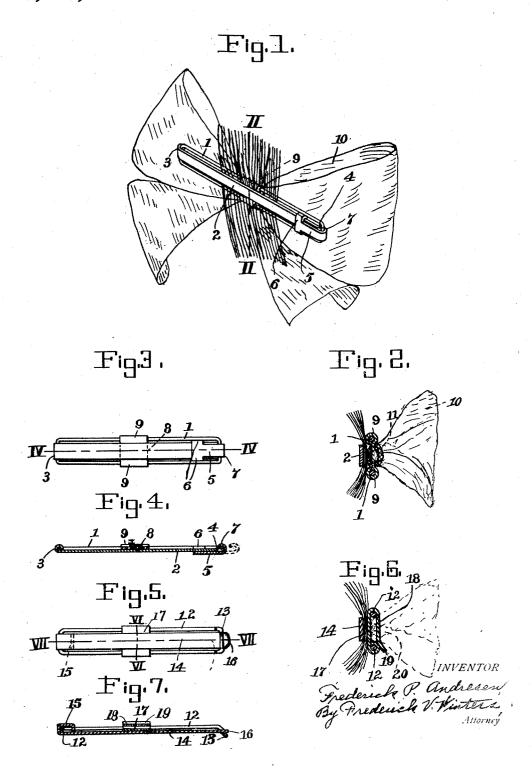
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK P. ANDRESEN, a citizen of Germany, residing at Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hair-Ribbon Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact specification.

This invention relates to a device for at-10 taching bows of ribbon to children's hair, and has for its object to provide a simple and inexpensive clasp to which the ribbon may be conveniently attached and which may be readily fastened to a lock of the hair.

The invention contemplates the provision of improved means for latching the free ends of the clasp jaws together, and of means for fastening the ribbon bow to one of said jaws in such a way that it will not interfere with the engagement of the clasp with the hair. Other objects will appear as the description proceeds.

The invention will be first hereinafter described in connection with the accompanying drawings, which constitute part of this specification, and then more specifically defined in the claims at the end of the description.

In the accompanying drawings, wherein 30 similar reference characters are used to designate corresponding parts throughout the several views:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hair ribbon holder made substantially in accordance with this invention, showing a ribbon bow attached thereto and the clasp caught over a lock of hair.

Fig. 2 is a section on the line II—II of Fig. 1.

40 Fig. 3 is a rear elevation of the device with the ribbon removed.

Fig. 4 is a section on the line IV—IV of Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a rear elevation of a modified 45 form of the device.

Fig. 6 is a section on the line VI—VI of Fig. 5, and

Fig. 7 is a section on the line VII—VII of Fig. 5.

Referring first to Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the drawings, the device consists of a clasp having jaws 1 and 2, and a ribbon carrier or holder 8 attached to one of said jaws. The

jaw 1 is preferably made in the form of a loop, while the jaw 2 may be made of a solid 55 piece of resilient metal having one end thereof bent around one end of the loop to form the hinge 3. The free end of the jaw 2 is slightly bent, as at 4, to fit just alongside the other end of the loop, as best shown in 60 Fig. 4. On the free end portion of said jaw a latch or catch 5 is mounted to slide longitudinally, being guided by arms 6 bent loosely around said jaw. The end of the catch 5 is bent into hook shape, as at 7, to 65 engage the free end of the loop of the jaw 1, as also best shown in Fig. 4. When the catch is closed over the end of the loop, as shown in solid lines in this figure, the end of said eatch is positioned near to the bent 70 end 4 of the jaw 2, so as to retain the end of the loop against accidental displacement. The inwardly bent end of the hook 7 is sprung over the end of the loop in fastening the clasp, and is retained in engagement by 75 the tension in the jaw 2 due to it being bowed to some extent over the lock of hair, as will be readily understood.

The ribbon holder 8 may consist of a strip of metal having its ends 9 bent around the 80 sides of the loop of the jaw 1 about midway thereof. The ribbon 10 is tied around said holder strip 8 which bridges the loop 1, as at 11, Fig. 2, so that the ribbon does not interfere at all with the attachment of the holder 85 to the hair.

As illustrated in Fig. 6, the ribbon holder may be made in the form of a loop having one side 17 rigid and the other side 18 resilient with a lip 19 at its edge to guide the rib- 90 bon into said loop between the parts 17 and 18 and the sides of the loop 12, said ribbon being indicated in dotted lines as held in said loop at 20. In Figs. 5 and 7 a modified form of catch is also illustrated. In this 95 instance, the free end of the loop of the jaw 12 is bent rearwardly at 13 and the jaw 14 is bodily movable longitudinally with respect to the jaw 12 so as to permit the free end of said jaw 14 to be inserted through 100 said bent end of the loop at 13. This longitudinal movement of the jaw 14 is made possible by the use of a long eye or loop 15 constituting the hinge between the jaws, as best shown in Fig. 7. The jaw 14 may be moved 105 longitudinally a sufficient distance to disengage the free end 16 thereof from the bent end 13 of the loop while the eye or loop 15 slides along the end of the jaw 12.

Having thus described my invention, what 5 I claim as new and desire to secure by Let-

ters Patent of the United States is:—
1. In a device of the character described, the combination with a pair of hair gripping jaws hinged together at one end, one 10 of said jaws comprising a wire loop and the other jaw having its free end bent to lie in the plane of said loop on the inside thereof when the jaws are closed, of a catch mounted to slide on the jaw with the bent end and 15 coöperate with said bent end to substantially surround the end bar of the loop from the outside when interlocked therewith.

2. In a device of the character described, the combination with a pair of hair gripping 20 jaws, one having spaced parallel bars, of a ribbon holding loop extending across the space between said bars at one side thereof and having a resilient tongue rigidly secured

to one of said bars and extending across the space between said bars on the other side 25 thereof, the free end of said tongue yieldingly bearing against the other bar for re-

taining the ribbon in the loop.

3. In a device of the character described, the combination with a pair of hair gripping 30 jaws, one having spaced parallel bars, of a ribbon holding loop extending across the space between said bars at one side thereof and having a resilient tongue rigidly secured to one of said bars and extending 35 across the space between said bars on the other side thereof, the free end of said tongue yieldingly bearing against the other bar for retaining the ribbon in the loop, said tongue having an outwardly inclined lip on 40 its free end for guiding the ribbon into the

In testimony whereof I have signed my

name to this specification.

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