

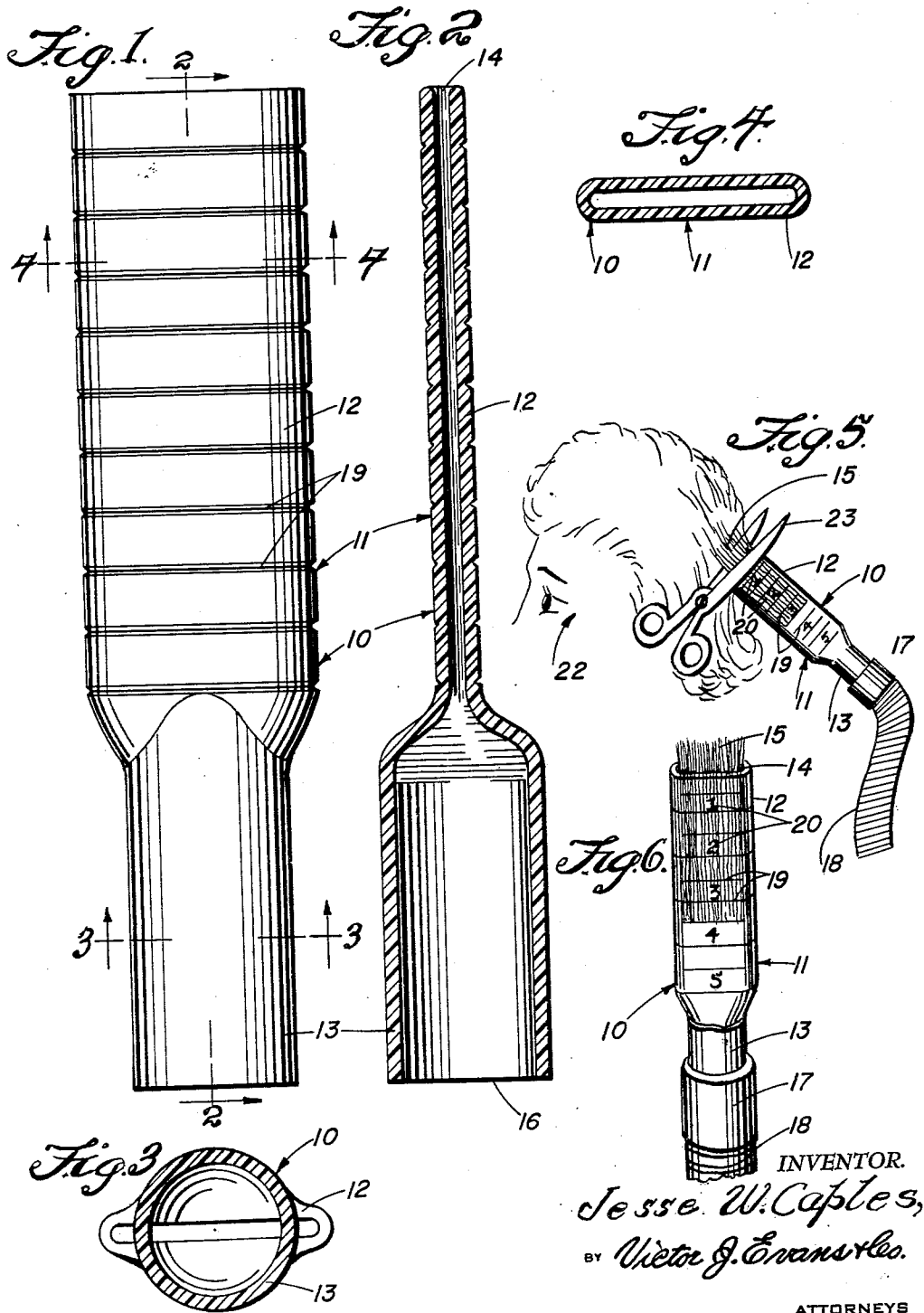
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This invention relates to a hair cutting accessory, and more particularly to a vacuum hair cutting gauge.

The object of the invention is to provide a device which is adapted to be connected to a suitable source of vacuum pressure such as the hose of a vacuum cleaner so that the job of cutting a person's hair such as a lady's or woman's hair will be facilitated.

Another object of the invention is to provide a vacuum hair cutting gauge which includes a member for connection to a source of vacuum pressure, and wherein the gauge is provided with scale markings thereon so that a person's hair can be cut off accurately at the desired length.

A further object of the invention is to provide a vacuum hair cutting gauge which is extremely simple and inexpensive to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this application, and in which like numerals are used to designate like parts throughout the same

FIG. 1 is an elevational view of the vacuum hair cutting gauge of the present invention.

FIG. 2 is a sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of FIG. 1.

FIG. 3 is a sectional view taken on the line 3—3 of FIG. 1.

FIG. 4 is a sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of FIG. 1.

FIG. 5 is a perspective view illustrating the present invention in use.

FIG. 6 is a perspective view showing the attachment of the vacuum hair cutting gauge of the present invention to the hose such as the hose of a vacuum cleaner.

Referring in detail to the drawings, the numeral 10 indicates the vacuum hair cutting gauge of the present invention which is adapted to be made of a single piece of material and which is shaped to include a body member 11 that includes a flattened portion 12 as well as a cylindrical end portion 13, FIG. 5. One end of the body member 11 is open as at 14 for the reception therein of the hair 15 which is to be cut, and the other end of the body member 11 is also open as indicated by the numeral 16, FIG. 2.

The cylindrical end portion 13 of the body member 11 is adapted to be connected to the end 17 of a hose 18, the hose 18 may lead to a suitable source of vacuum pressure, as for example, the hose 18 may be connected to a conventional vacuum cleaner mechanism.

The flattened portion 12 is provided with scale markings 19 thereon as well as numerals or indicia 20 so that the hair 15 which is being cut, as for example, by means of scissors 23 of FIG. 5, can be cut accurately to the desired length. In FIG. 5 the numeral 22 indicates a portion of a person's head such as a lady or woman whose hair 15 is being cut by the scissors 23.

From the foregoing, it is apparent that there has been provided a vacuum hair cutting gauge which is especially suitable for use in cutting hair such as the hair 15 of a female 22. In use the body member 11 is adapted to have its cylindrical end portion 13 connected to the end 17 of a hose 18 which leads to a suitable source of vacuum pressure, and the hair 15 which is to be trimmed or cut will be sucked or received in the flattened portion 12 of the body member 11. Due to the provision of the scale markings 19 and 20, the hair can be readily cut

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off at the desired length accurately and readily, as for example by means of the scissors 23.

The device can be made of any suitable material and in different shapes or sizes.

With the present invention, the cutting of a lady's hair will be facilitated, as for example before a home or other permanent wave is being provided. One of the major difficulties that women experience is the cutting of hair in preparation for a permanent and with the present invention this problem will be facilitated or eliminated. With the present invention there is no need to put any protective covering around the neck and shoulders of the person who is having the hair cut or on the floor therebelow since as the hair is cut, it will be automatically sucked into or drawn into the vacuum cleaner bag or container. Furthermore, elusive curls on the ends of uncut hair will no longer be a problem to hold for cutting since they will be held perfectly straight by suction of the vacuum cleaner. The vacuum home permanent hair cutting gauge of the present invention is simple and compact and is adapted to be made of a single piece of transparent plastic material or other similar material which may be 8½ inches long and the diameter of the portion 13 may be of a size to fit the hose of a standard vacuum cleaner. The opening 14 may be one-eighth of an inch in size and approximately 5 inches of the body member can be flattened so as to provide this one-eighth inch opening or slot. The graduations 20 are provided on the flattened portion, starting from the open end 14 and in actual practice the hair is picked up in small wisps more readily than with a comb. The hair can be shortened the desired length by adjusting the gauge so that the ends of the hair come even with the desired mark and then they can be cut with shears or scissors such as the scissors 23 to the end of the gauge. The amount to be shortened is determined by the graduated scale.

The gage may be initially held close to the head so that the hair is drawn up the gage by the vacuum to a maximum distance. This distance is measured by the operator by observation of the ends of the hair through the transparent material, and noting which scale marking (say 4½ inches) these ends are adjacent. Then by mentally subtracting the desired length of hair (say 1 inch) from the measured length of hair, the amount to be cut off (in this case, 3½ inches) is obtained. The operator then carefully withdraws the gage until the ends of the hair are observed through the transparent gage to be opposite the graduation (3½ inches) corresponding to the cut off distance. The operator then cuts off the hair, the ends of which are in the gage, close to the nozzle end 14. This leaves the above mentioned desired length (1 inch) on the head. The operator may change, at will, the desired length for different parts of the head, by subtracting the changed amount from the first measured amount.

Minor changes in shape, size and rearrangement of details coming within the field of invention claimed may be resorted to in actual practice, if desired.

What is claimed is:

1. A vacuum hair cutting gauge comprising a piece of transparent material including a body member, said body member having its opposite ends open, and said body member including a hollow flattened portion and an end portion, the flattened portion adapted to receive the ends of a person's hair which is being cut, said end portion adapted to be connected to a hose which is connected to a suitable source of vacuum pressure, there being scale markings on said flattened portion whereby the length of hair to be cut may be determined.

2. A vacuum hair cutting gauge consisting solely of a single piece of transparent material shaped to include a body member, said body member having its opposite

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ends open, and said body member including a hollow flattened portion and a cylindrical end portion, the flattened portion adapted to receive the ends of a person's hair which is being cut, said cylindrical end portion adapted to be connected to a hose which is connected to a suitable source of vacuum pressure, there being scale markings on said flattened portion whereby the length of the hair to be cut may be determined, said flattened portion being of uniform width and thickness throughout its length.

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