The purpose of this invention is to provide a bob pin in which the ends may readily be fastened together with one hand by twisting one end over the other.

5 This is a bob pin made of flat material with oppositely positioned projections at the ends, in which the pin may be placed over a curl and the ends readily snapped together with one hand to secure the curl in place. Any suitable curler may be used for rolling the hair to form a curl, and when the curl is formed this bob pin is placed through the roll forming the curl and the ends are snapped together to secure the curl in place. Many devices have been provided for curling the hair and quite a number have been formed with means for holding the ends together, however, it is desired to provide a simple form of barette or bob pin which may readily be placed through the curl and the ends snapped together with one hand, thereby forming a barette and at the same time accomplishing the purpose of a bob or Bobby pin.

The object of the invention is, therefore, to provide fastening means on the end of a bob pin forming a barette thereby. Another object is to provide means for readily securing the ends of a bob pin together which does not obstruct the pin passing through the hair.

A further object is to provide means for holding the ends of a bob pin together without movable fastening means.

And a still further object is to provide a combination bob pin and barette which is of a simple and economical construction.

With these ends in view the invention embodies a bob pin formed of flat material with a slight roll at the closed end and with the open ends extending outwardly and in which fastening means are provided on the open ends by which one end may be snapped over the other. Other features and advantages of the invention will appear from the following description taken in connection with the drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a view showing the curler in the open position.

Figure 2 is a side elevation looking toward the edges of the parts thereof.

Figure 3 is a view showing a method of forming a curl by a curler, and although this type of curler is shown, it will be understood that a curler of any type may be used.

Figure 4 is a view showing the curl with the curler removed and with the bob pin of this invention inserted in its place and holding the curl.

Figure 5 is a view showing an alternate design in which indentations are placed in the tips, providing means for one to snap over the other.

Figure 6 is a view showing another alternate design in which balls are placed on the ends of the pin so that one may snap over the other.

Figure 7 is a view showing a combination of a flat and round strand with a flat projection on one end and a ball on the other.

Figure 8 is a detail showing the indentations in the end of the pin to facilitate gripping.

Figure 9 is a detail showing means in the end of the pin to facilitate gripping.

Figure 10 is a detail showing cup shaped members on the ends in which one is adapted to nest in the other.

Figure 11 is a view showing one side of the pin wavy.

Figure 12 is a view showing both sides of the pin wavy.

Figure 13 shows another alternate design in which a loop is provided for a ribbon or the like.

In the drawing the device is shown as it may be made, wherein numeral 1 indicates one side of the device, numeral 2 the other, numeral 3 a projection at the end of one side, numeral 4 a similar projection at the end of the other, and numeral 5 a slight roll at the closed end of the device.

It will be noted that this device is preferably formed of a relatively narrow flat piece of spring material bent about midway of its length forming a slight roll or eye at the bent end with the opposite ends curved outward and formed with oppositely positioned projections at the ends, and the material adjacent the projections is narrowed down toward the projections, forming comparatively thin sections 6 and 7 at the ends of the side members. This device may be used similar to a Bobby pin or barette, and the ends may be inserted through the hair and snapped together as shown in Figure 4. It is preferred to roll the hair on a curler of some form, preferably as shown in Figure 3, and after the curl is formed against the head this device may be inserted through the roll and the ends snapped together as shown at the point 8 in Figure 4 and the curler, as indicated by the numeral 9, may then be removed. This will hold the roll of hair in place until the curl is formed, and it may then be removed. The ends of the device are formed so that one may snap over the other, however, it may be desired to place an indentation 10 in the projection at one end, and a projection 11 on the opposite end so that as the two are snapped...
together the raised part 11 will snap into the indentation 10, and hold the ends together. These parts are shown in detail in Figure 8, in which they are separated, and it will be understood that when these ends are free the parts are oppositely positioned as the part 10 will snap over the part 11 when one end of the device is bent over the other.

In the design shown in Figure 6 the device is formed with one section 12, and another section 13, and these are held together by a round log 14, and the outer ends are provided with balls 15 and 16; and it will be understood that this device may be formed in this manner and it may also be formed as shown in Figure 7, in which it is formed with one section 17 of flat material and another section 18 of round wire, and these are held together by a loop 19. Both ends may be provided with balls or one may be provided with a flat projection 20 similar to the projection 3 and the other may be provided with a ball 21, however, it will be understood that these ends may be formed or shaped in any manner.

The detail shown in Figure 10 is somewhat similar to that shown in Figure 8 except that the entire ends of the sides are formed cup shaped with one adapted to fit over the other, and in this design one end is formed with a receiving cup shaped member 22, and the other with a slightly smaller cup shaped member 23 adapted to snap into the member 22. These parts are also shown as if they had been placed together and separated, as it will be understood that with the ends of the device open as shown in Figure 2, the lower cup shaped member would be larger than the member at the upper end, as it will be twisted and snapped over the upper member.

In the design shown in Figure 9 one of the members 24 is provided with an opening 25 to facilitate gripping, and it will be understood that this opening may also be placed in the other member 26, and although this device is shown as an opening, it will be understood that it may be raised forming a ridge or shaped in any manner to facilitate gripping.

In the design shown in Figure 11 the device is shown with a flat section 27 and a wavy section 28, and these are held together by a loop 29, and the ends may be formed as shown in Figure 1 or in any of the other designs, so that one end will snap over the other.

In the design shown in Figure 12 the device is formed with two wavy sections 30 and 31, and these are held together by a loop 32, and the ends 33 and 34 are shown snapped together and crossed, and it will be understood that these ends may be formed in any of the designs shown in the different figures.

It will be understood that other changes may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention. One of which changes may be in the use of any other material, another may be in the use of material having a cross section of any other shape, another may be in the use of other means for holding the open ends together, and still another may be in the use of other means for joining the two members at the closed end.

The construction will be readily understood from the foregoing description. In use the device may be provided as shown and described, and may be used by rolling the hair upon another device and then inserting this device, however, it will also be understood that the hair may be rolled directly upon this device, and another similar device may be inserted through the hair to hold it in place. This device is, therefore, a combination of a bob pin and barette, because it may be used similar to a hair pin or bob pin and the ends may be snapped together.

When used as a barette the device may also be provided with a loop 35 for holding a ribbon, bow, flower, or the like, as shown in Figure 13, in which the device is indicated by the numeral 36.

Having thus fully described the invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. In a hair holding device of the type having two legs between which the hair is inserted, and interlocking clips at the ends of the legs for locking the device in the closed position, a strip of relatively flat material bent about midway of its length to form a loop, and with the parts thereof forming the two legs of the device, and knobs at the ends of the legs formed of the material thereof shaping said legs with recesses in the outer opposite edges; said device characterized in that the two legs are parallel and in engagement throughout a substantial part of the length of the device and curved outward at the outer or open end.

2. A combination bob pin barette comprising a hairpin formed of relatively thin flat material forming two straight parallel legs, with the inner surface of said legs in engagement with the pin in the free position, said legs permanently secured together at one end, and locking means formed by projections on the opposite edges of said legs adapted to be twisted, with the end of one leg over the end of the other to secure hair in the device.

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