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Fig. 1.

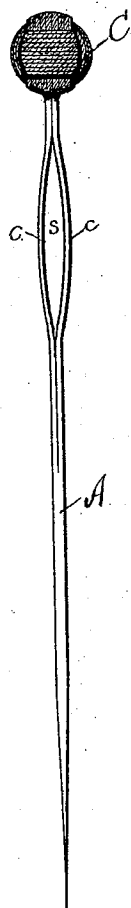
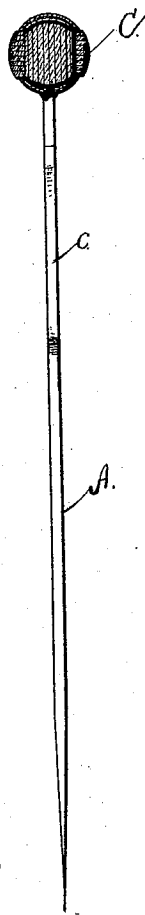


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JEROME D. BLISS, of Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented certain
5 new and useful Improvements in Hat-Pins; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked
10 thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to the pins used by ladies to hold their hats on their heads by inserting them through the sides of the hat and
15 the mass of hair beneath. It is fully explained and illustrated in this specification and the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 shows a side elevation of the pin. Fig. 2 is an edge view of the pin.

20 The object of this invention is to produce a pin to be used to keep ladies' hats on their heads, one that shall not be liable to become loose and be worked out by the motion of the person wearing it.

25 The construction of the pin is as follows: A is the pin, preferably made long and slender and divided lengthwise through a portion of the pin about one-third of its length from the head C. The side portions c of the
30 opening s are made light and springy, so as

to yield easily by closing toward each other when put through the side of the hat and springing open again when they enter the hair beneath. This closing of the opening in going through the hat lessens the liability of
35 injuring it and at the same time makes it easier to insert. The springing open of the two sides c of the opening prevents it from coming out without some effort being exerted by pulling on it. The head C may be of any
40 desired shape, as no particular form is necessary to make the pin fully operative.

Having thus described my improvement, I claim as my invention—

As a new article of manufacture, a hat-pin 45 having a single shaft which is divided longitudinally at its head end, and each of the divided parts curved outwardly so as to form springs, combined with a head that is applied to the divided end, the curved parts being adapted to be closed together while the
50 pin is being inserted, and to spring outwardly to prevent the pin from being withdrawn, substantially as shown.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
55 my hand this 3d day of October, A. D. 1896.

JEROME D. BLISS.

In presence of—

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