

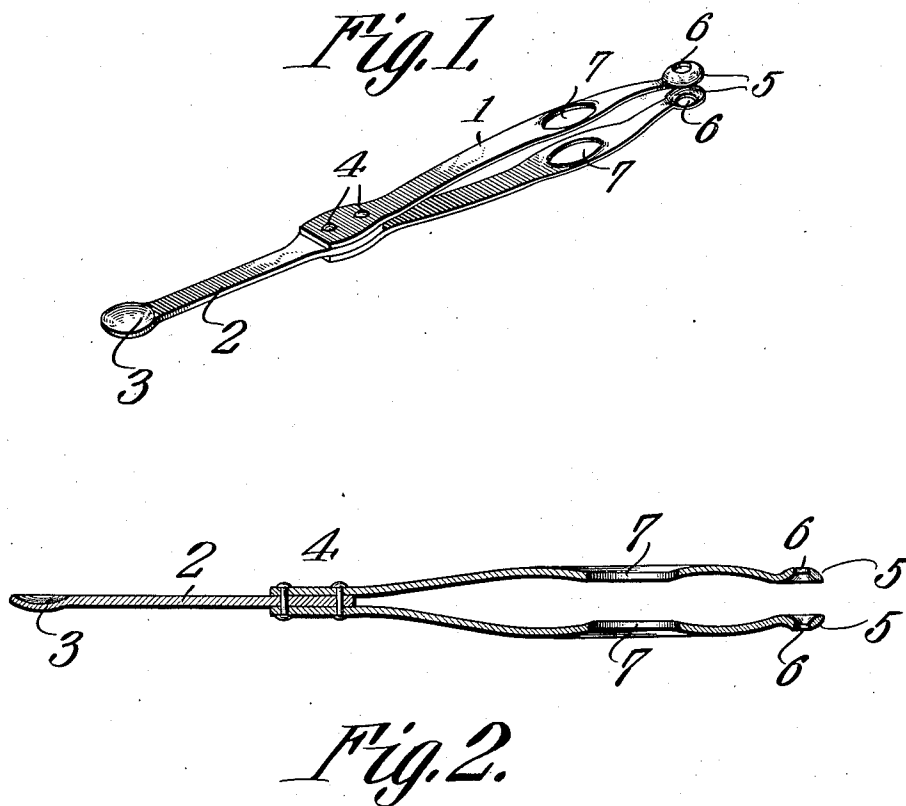
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM L. TOLMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Orange, in the county of Franklin and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Combined Tweezers and Blackhead-Remover, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combined tweezers and blackhead remover.

The object of the invention is to provide an implement capable of performing the dual functions defined by its name, which shall be thoroughly effective when used as a pair of tweezers in removing hairs, and when used as a blackhead remover to exert a pressure upon the skin surrounding the blackhead in such manner as to secure its removal without pain, and without causing irritation to the skin immediately surrounding the pore or gland in which the blackhead is housed.

With the above and other objects in view, as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists, generally stated, in a pair of tweezers having its jaws perforated and outwardly dished, the opposed edges of the jaws being adapted to impinge against each other, thus to permit the pulling out of hairs, and the outwardly bulged or dished perforated portions of the jaws serving as blackhead removers. As a matter of still further improvement, the intermediate portion of each blade or lever of the tweezers is provided with an elliptical orifice, the walls of which are inwardly dished, thus to provide effective fingerholds to prevent the implement from slipping longitudinally between the thumb and finger in use. Aside from this function, the openings in the levers materially lighten the implement and add an artistic finish to its appearance.

The invention consists further in the various novel details of construction of a combined tweezers and blackhead remover, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of an implement. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view taken through the center of an implement, and on an enlarged scale.

The implement comprises two blades or levers 1, which, as shown in Fig. 2, are longi-

tudinally bowed. These levers are connected at one end and held properly spaced apart by the shank 2 of an ear wax spoon 3, the connection between the shank and the blades being secured by rivets 4. The outer or free end of each of the blades is provided with a substantially circular outwardly dished jaw 5 having a central orifice 6, the opposed edges of the jaws being, as shown in Fig. 2, flat, so that they will be thoroughly effective in removing hairs, while the curved or rounded outer faces of the jaws, in conjunction with the orifices, will operate in a positive and practically painless manner to remove blackheads, to effect which it will only be necessary to place one of the jaws over the blackhead in such manner as that the blackhead will appear through the orifice in the other jaw, and then press inward upon the implement, and this will cause the flesh surrounding the blackhead to be forced into the orifice surrounding it, and thereby squeeze out the blackhead. In other words, when the orifice of one jaw is employed for removing a blackhead, the orifice in the other jaw constitutes a sight opening to facilitate the proper positioning of the implement.

Each blade or lever is provided adjacent to its jaw with an elliptical orifice 7, the walls of which are deflected inward, thus to provide effective fingerholds, which will operate to prevent the implement from slipping between the fingers when used as tweezers.

The implement is simple in construction, may readily be manufactured, and will be found of the highest utility in securing the functions designed.

I claim:—

1. A pair of tweezers having its jaws orificed to provide blackhead removers, one of the orifices constituting a sight opening when the other orifice is in use.

2. A pair of tweezers having its jaws outwardly dished and orificed to provide blackhead removers, one of the orifices constituting a sight opening when the other orifice is in use.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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