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HAT FASTENER.

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FIG. 1.

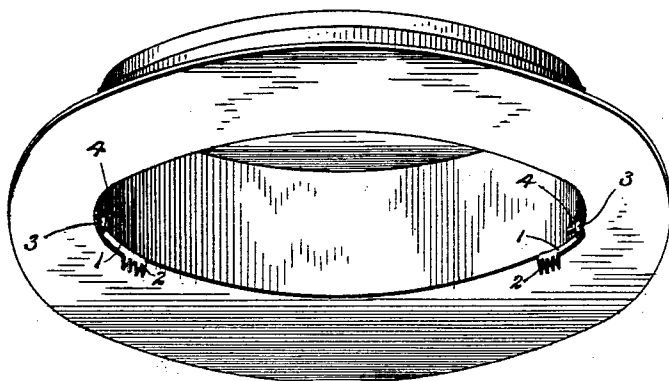
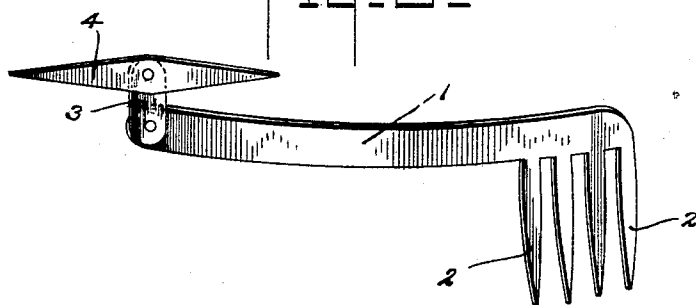


FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Prattsville, in the county of Greene and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Fasteners; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to hat-fasteners, and is designed to be used upon ladies' hats, the object being to dispense with the ordinary hat-pin and the disadvantages arising from its use and to substitute therefor a fastener which is permanently attached to the hat and is so connected therewith that after placing the hat upon the head the fastener may be adjusted so as to engage the hair or hair coil and prevent the hat from blowing off the head or becoming otherwise accidentally displaced.

The invention consists in an improved hat-fastener embodying novel features and details of construction, as hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the drawings, and incorporated in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a hat with a pair of the improved fasteners. Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail perspective view of one of the fasteners.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in the figures of the drawings.

The improved hat-fastener may be constructed of metal, hard rubber, celluloid, or any preferred material, and may be either silver or nickel plated, or given any desired finish which will add to its ornamentation or enable the same to match the hair of the wearer.

The device comprises, essentially, an elongated bar or strip 1, which is provided at one end with a series of laterally-projecting spaced teeth or tines 2, the same being pointed for a ready insertion in the hair. At the opposite end the strip 1 has pivotally connected thereto a link 3, and this link connects pivotally at its opposite end to the proximal center of the diamond-shaped or double-pointed pin or keeper 4, by means of which the device is adapted to be connected with the lining of the hat.

In practice two of the fasteners above described are employed, one located at each side of the hat. Each fastener is applied to the hat by inserting the points of the keeper through the hat-lining, thus obviating the necessity of sewing the fastener in place and at the same time allowing said fastener to be removed should the occasion require to remove the fasteners from one hat to apply them to another. The function of the link 3 is to allow the strip 1 to occupy a lower position and if necessary to extend below the plane of the hat-rim. As the hat is placed upon the head the fasteners hang pendent therefrom, and when the hat has been adjusted properly upon the head the fasteners are rocked upward until the teeth or tines 2 penetrate the hair or hair coil, as the case may be. It will thus be seen that the hat will be properly maintained upon the head, and at the same time the usual hat-pin will be entirely dispensed with, thus obviating the necessity of puncturing the hat, which eventually interferes materially with its appearance.

It will be understood that the fastener is susceptible of changes in the form, proportion, and minor details of construction which may accordingly be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A hat-fastener comprising a strip provided at one end with laterally-projecting tines, a diamond-shaped pin or keeper at the opposite end thereof, and a pivotal link interposed between and connecting said parts, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. A hat-fastener comprising a strip having at one end laterally-projecting tines, and a diamond-shaped keeper, having the opposite end of said strip pivotally connected to its proximal center, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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