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Fig. 1

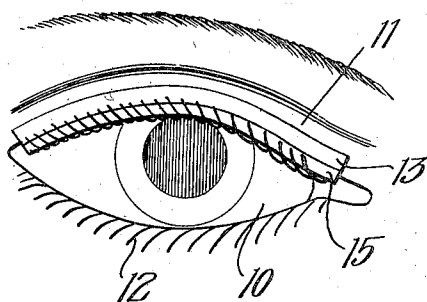


Fig. 2

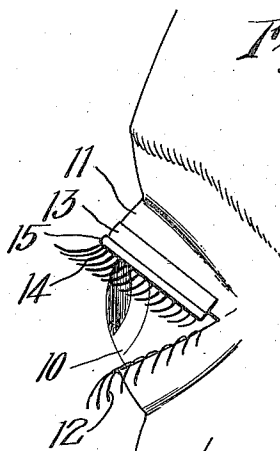


Fig. 4

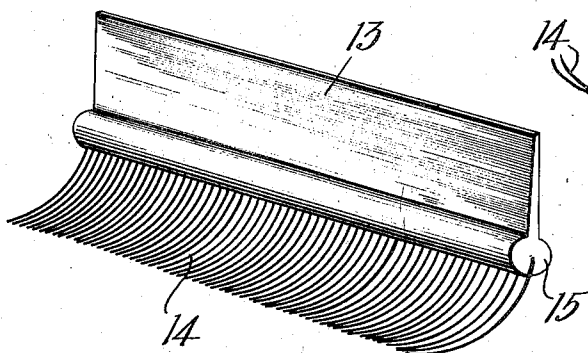


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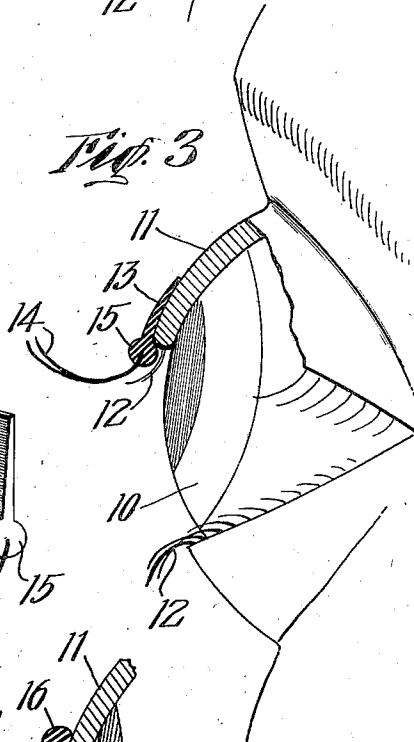


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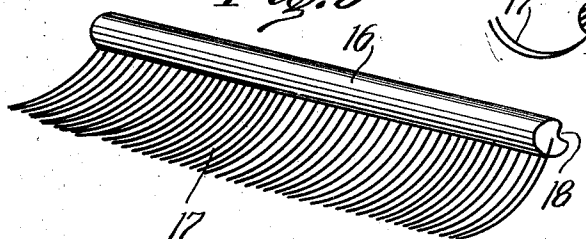
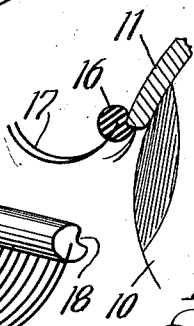


Fig. 6



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Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: To provide means whereby artificial elongated eyelashes may be attached to the eyelid of a person without detection that the same are artificial; to manufacture strips embodying hair or eyelash which may be cut to fit the eyelid of any person before application; to provide the means with an adhesive which will readily adhere to the eyelid; to readily conform to the shape of the eyelid when in use; to obtain simplicity of construction and ready adaptability in use; and to secure other advantages and results as may be brought out in the following description.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is an enlarged illustration of a person's eye to which the present invention is applied;

Figure 2 is a side view of the same;

Figure 3 is still a further enlargement similar to Figure 2 and showing the eyelid partly in section;

Figure 4 is a perspective view of a strip of hair as part of the means before being attached to an eyelid;

Figure 5 is a similar view of somewhat different construction; and

Figure 6 is illustrative of the same as attached to the eyelid.

It is well known that artificial eyelashes are at present being attached to the present lashes to enhance a person's facial appearance. Also, it is known that the method of application of artificial lashes is by attaching a separate hair or lash to each individual eyelash and this procedure requires time and patience as well as requiring the work to be done by beauticians. It is to this end that the present invention is more particularly directed to overcome, and it is my belief that any individual may easily apply the improved artificial eyelash to one's self without much delay or the requirement of a beautician.

As seen in the drawing and referring to all the figures generally, it will be noted that the illustrations of the human eye and the artificial eyelash have been considerably exaggerated to better illustrate and describe the adaptability of the artificial eyelash to the eyelid. The present invention may readily be adapted for attaching to the lower lid as well as the upper eyelid if so desired.

In carrying out the invention and referring more particularly to Figures 1 to 4, I have shown an illustration of a human eye 10 having covering or upper and lower eyelids 11, said eyelids pro-

viding the usual natural lashes 12. As will be understood, the natural eyelashes, except in extraordinary instances, are usually short in length, and many persons preferably desiring longer lashes, turn to adding other and longer artificial lashes to the natural lashes by suitable means. In the present instance, I have found it convenient to apply artificial eyelashes suitably attached to a strip of resilient means 13 to the lid itself and preferably in front of the existing natural lashes. Such means 13 may be of a very fine rubber, preferably latex or the like which when attached to the lid will readily yield with the natural movement of the lid. Said strip 13 may be transparent or translucent and/or provided with suitable coloring to blend with the color of the lid, as a result of which an observer will be unable to detect that the user has resorted to using any artificial eyelashes. Also, it might be stated at this time, owing to the elasticity and lightness of the material utilized, it will adhere to any irregularities of or deformities in the lid, such as natural wrinkles and the pores.

The construction of the aforesaid strip 13 and a preferred way of attaching artificial hairs 14 thereto, may be done in various manners, one such method of so doing, may be to heat or flow the latex or the like at a temperature of appropriate degree in a mould (not shown), said mould providing a bead-forming hollow extending longitudinally thereof next one edge. While the latex is still in a heated condition, the artificial hair 14 may be embedded therein with the several hairs side by side and transversely with respect to the bead 15. After the strip has been allowed to cool off sufficiently by removing the heat from the mould, the completed strip 13 with the elongated hair may be then removed as a unit from the said mould.

In order to apply a strip to the lid, I have found it advantageous to apply a suitable adhesive to the one side of the strip which will easily adhere to the lid. It is preferable that such adhesive be insoluble to water so that by simply moistening the lid, the strip with the adhesive may be easily and readily adjusted in the proper location on the lid. Also, it will be noted that a portion of the bead 15 will readily adapt itself to the lower portion of the lid 11 without interfering with the closing of said lid or cause any unpleasantness to the user by accidentally coming into contact with the natural eyelashes 12 as shown in Figure 3.

Referring now to Figures 5 and 6, I have shown a slightly modified construction, said construction being somewhat similar in nature to that

shown and described heretofore. In this respect, I have shown the artificial hair retaining member as a longitudinal strip or bead 16. Said bead likewise as in the preferred construction is of
5 resilient material such as latex or the like, and preferably formed by heating in a mould whereby hair 17 may be attached thereto. In this instance the bead is of a general circular configuration in cross-section but with a portion of the bead cut
10 away, as at 18, this cut-away being substantially a quadrant in cross-section, and extending longitudinally the entire length of said bead. After the completed member has been removed from the mould, a similar adhesive insoluble to water
15 may be then applied to the walls comprising the longitudinal cut-out part of the bead 16 after which it may be applied to the lower portion of the lid 11 of the eye 10.

If desired, the above described strips may be

manufactured in moulds of considerable length, and after being removed may be cut into small sections to approximate sizes of different size eyes. Also, owing to the resiliency of the material, the strips can be easily trimmed to substantially conform to the curvature of a user's eyelid. 5

I claim:

An artificial eyelash as characterized comprising an elongated thin strip having a bead at one edge for constituting a hair retaining member 10 blending with the eyelid to which applied thereby rendering the member inconspicuous in use, one portion of said bead being adapted to rest against the lower portion of an eyelid and move therewith, a plurality of lashes projecting outwardly 15 therefrom, and an adhesive on the elongated strip which in use is next the eyelid thereby preventing disengagement of the eyelash when in use.

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