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Fig. 1.

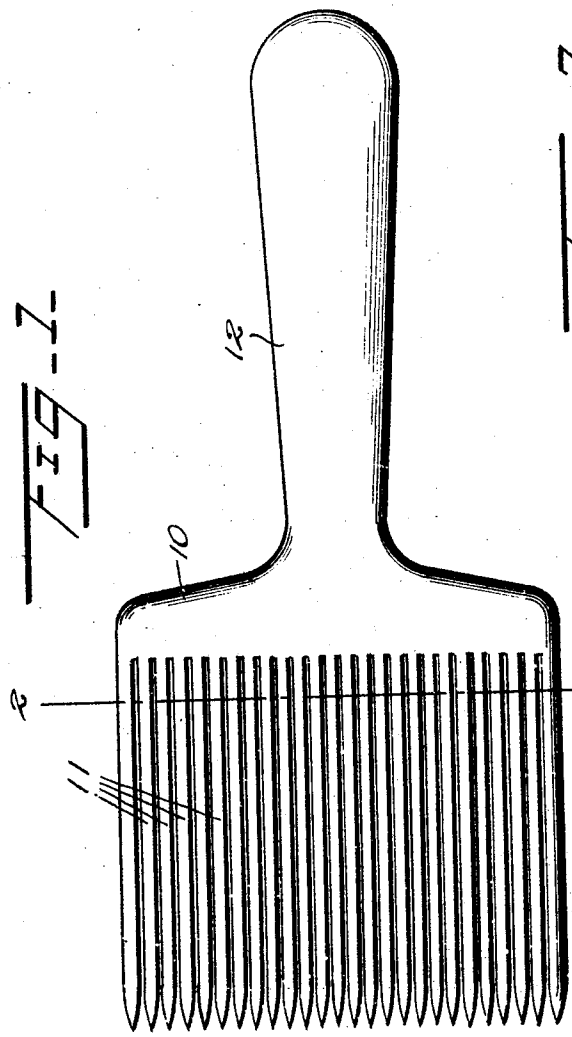
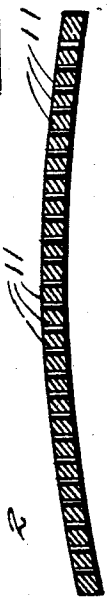


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in combs, and particularly to combs used by barbers, when cutting hair.

One object of the invention is to provide a comb which is of such construction that it can be more easily handled by the barber, than the combs now in general use.

Another object is to provide a comb which can be more properly manipulated through the hair, and when lifted, to more evenly expose the ends of the hair to be cut.

Another object is to provide a comb of this character whereby the barber may shorten the hairs of the head in conformity with the contour of the person's head.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is an elevation of a comb made in accordance with the present invention.

Figure 2 is a transverse sectional view on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Referring particularly to the accompanying drawing, the comb, which is formed from a single piece of material, comprises a body portion 10 having longitudinally extending teeth 11, and the handle 12, which extends from the opposite side of the body. By this arrangement, that is, with the teeth extending from one side of the body, and the handle extending from the opposite side, the barber can more easily manipulate the comb through the hair of the sitter, and lift the comb through the hair, away from the sitter's scalp, so as to expose the proper length of hair ends above the comb, for cutting. It will be noted, upon reference to the sectional view, Figure 2, that the body and teeth of the comb are concavo-convex, transversely of the comb, so that when the comb is applied to the hair, with the concave face next to the scalp, and the comb pushed through the hair, the exposed ends of hair, above the teeth will be in position to be cut off of even length. With the ordinary straight comb, now used by barbers, the hair at the middle portion of the comb is necessarily cut off to a greater degree than the hair near the ends of the comb, thus necessitating a greater number of operations to properly and evenly trim the hair. With the present comb, the operator clips the hair, with either the scissors or clippers, by passing the same over the convex face of the comb, with the result that all of the hairs are cut to an even length, and the number of combing and cutting operations reduced to a minimum. Furthermore, the particular construction of the comb, with the handle extending in a direction opposite to that of the teeth, permits easy handling of the comb, and without cramping the hand of the operator.

Attention is also directed to the fact that the comb is adapted to be used with great advantage, in shingling the hair, at the back of the head, after the clippers have been run up the neck. It will be observed, too, that the comb can be used to cut the hair in pompadour fashion. The teeth of the comb are preferably close together, whereby to more properly hold the hair in position for cutting.

What is claimed is:

1. A barber's comb comprising a body, teeth extending from one side of the body, and a handle extending from the opposite side of the body, the toothed portion of the comb being arcuate transversely to conform to the curvature of the head, whereby the hair projecting beyond the convex face of the comb may be cut off to even lengths.

2. A barber's comb comprising a body, teeth extending from one side of the body, a handle extending from the opposite side of the body and in a direction opposite to that of the teeth, the body and toothed portion being arcuate transversely thereof to provide a concave face and a convex face, the concave face being arranged to be passed through the hair next the head, the comb being adapted to be elevated from the head whereby to permit the cutting of the projecting ends of the hair on the convex face of the comb to even and constant lengths.

In testimony whereof, I have affixed my signature.

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