

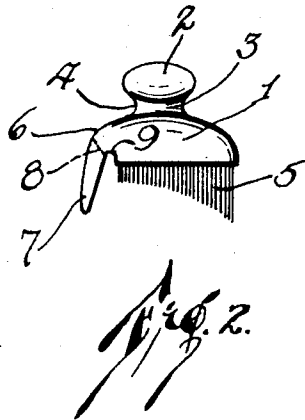
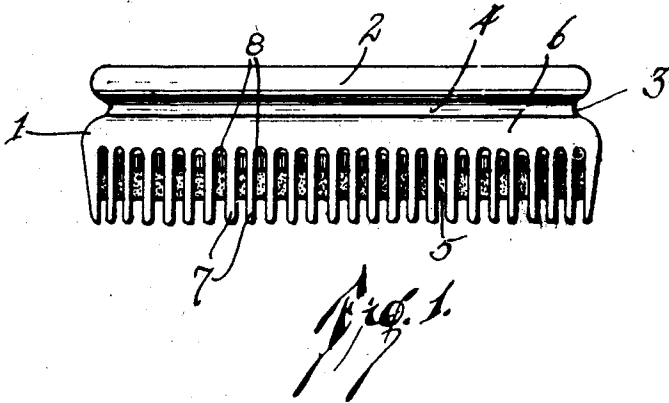
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My invention relates to improvements in devices for combing and brushing the hair, and it consists in the combinations, constructions, and arrangements herein described and claimed.

An object of my invention is to provide a combination comb and brush with which one may perform the two operations of combing and brushing the hair at the same time.

A further object of my invention is to provide a device of the type described which is easily held in the hand.

A further object of my invention is to provide a device of the type described in which the parts are so arranged as to be readily cleaned.

Other objects and advantages will appear in the following specification, and the novel features of the invention will be particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

My invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, forming part of this application, in which

Figure 1 is a face view of the device, and Figure 2 is an end view of the device.

In carrying out my invention, I may make use of any suitable material, such as celluloid, hard rubber, or the like. I provide a body portion 1 having a handle 2, preferably of elliptical shape in cross section, this handle being secured to the body portion by means of a neck portion 3, the edges of which merge into the handle and body portions so as to form a groove 4 running longitudinally of the device and around the ends. This construction enables the fingers to get a firm grasp on one side of the handle and the thumb on the other side.

Secured to the body portion 1 are bristles 5 and, as will be noted, these bristles vary in length from one side to the other. The curve formed by the bristles of varying lengths is designed to fit the curve of the head upon which the brush is to be used.

At one side is an integral comb portion 6,

the teeth 7 of which are inclined with respect to the general direction of the bristles 5. The ends of the slots or spaces between the teeth are indicated at 8. It will be observed that there is a groove 9 which runs parallel with the greater dimension of the device.

From the foregoing description of the various parts of the device, the operation thereof may be readily understood. In use, the handle is grasped in such a manner that the comb portion is in advance and it is moved along, the comb preceding the brush, but both parts being in engagement with the hair so that the hair is brushed and combed simultaneously. The curve formed by the bristle ends permits the brush to lie close to the head while the comb is in operation. The groove 9 permits accessibility to the comb for the purpose of cleaning the same when desired.

I am aware that a combination brush and comb is not broadly new, but I am not aware of any brush and comb in which the two operations of brushing and combing may be performed simultaneously.

I claim:

A combination hair comb and hair brush comprising a body portion, a handle portion, a neck portion securing said handle portion to said body portion, bristles on the opposite face of said body portion from said handle, the bristles on one side of said face being of greater length and being progressively shorter toward the other side, the ends of the bristles being arranged to form an arc to conform with the shape of the head and an integral comb portion carried by the body portion on the side bearing the shorter bristles, the teeth of said comb portion being inclined angularly with respect to the bristles and being spaced from the bristles, said body portion having a groove at the base of the comb extending from one end of the comb to the other.

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