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BARRETTE

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Fig. 1.

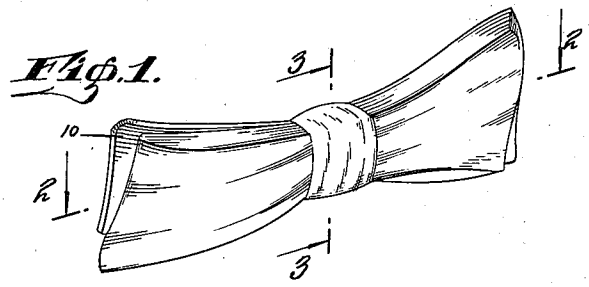


Fig. 2.

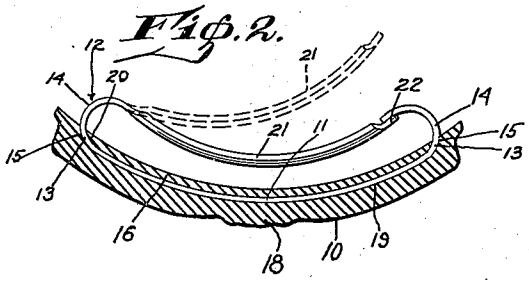


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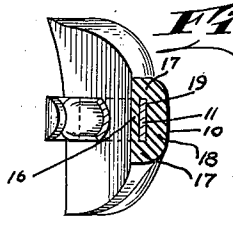


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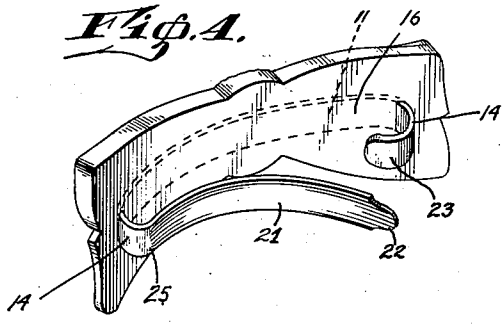
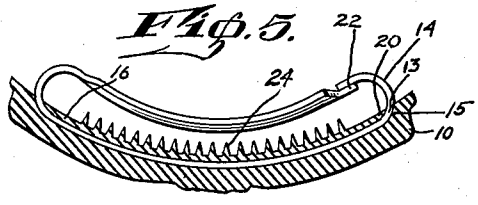


Fig. 5.



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The subject matter of the invention is a barrette for clasping and improving the dress of hair and the objects, advantages and improved functional and structural features thereof will be apparent from the teachings of the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing wherein:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the barrette according to my invention.

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

Fig. 3 is a sectional view on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 4 is a back view of Fig. 1, and

Fig. 5 is a longitudinal sectional view of another embodiment according to the invention.

In each of the embodiments disclosed, the barrette is in the form of a supporting ornamental body 10 preferably of a suitable moldable material such as a plastic pyroxylin and herein illustrated to simulate the shape of a ribbon in which the front arm or bar 11 of the flexible metal hair clasp 12 is anchored. This is accomplished in first positioning the clasp between complementary dies. Thereafter the dies are closed and liquid pyroxylin under pressure is forced about the front arm 11 and about the front curved terminals 13 of the current ends or loops 14 integral with arm 11. Thus the entire outside surface of bar 11 and the arched terminals 13 are covered and fixedly anchored into the pyroxylin body. It will be observed that the terminals 13 are thus arranged against curved shoulders 15 and are retained against these shoulders by covering bridge or backing 16 of the pyroxylin body merging with the side portion 17 defining with the merged front part 18 of the body the elongated and longitudinally curved channel or slot 19 in which in fact the front bar of the clasp is rigidly anchored and retained against longitudinal, transverse, or widthwise displacement relative to the supporting ribbon or backing 10 which by the present arrangement is reinforced and strengthened by the submerged closely confined bar 11, and since corresponding and arched terminals 13 are also anchored against the curved shoulders 15 by the terminal and complementary curved lips 20 of the closure bridge 16, even accidental longitudinal displacement of the clasp is precluded.

Integral with one of the curved ends 14 is the swingable arm 21 embodying free lip 22 adapted to be snapped under or locked by the keeper portion 23, as is well understood.

In the unlocked relation of lip 22 from the keeper 23, the arcuate and rear arm 21 extends an appreciable distance away from the ornamental body 10 thus providing a fairly large gap to permit convenient insertion of a tress of hair which may be securely clamped by hingedly moving the free arm 21 towards the anchored bar 11 and by hooking lip 22 under the keeper 23. The tress is thus clamped as desired.

In the form according to Fig. 5, the bridge 16 is provided with a plurality of teeth 24 which cooperate to prevent accidental displacement of the closed barrette when clamping the tress. In other aspects, the form according to Fig. 5 is along the structural lines of the embodiment illustrated in Figs. 1–4 and thus in each of the forms disclosed, a U-shaped part of the clasp defined by bar 11 and terminals 13 is anchored and covered by the pyroxylin body 10.

According to the invention the arched terminals 13 and the curved ends 14 in fact characterize end or side loops to one of which the swingable clamping arm 21 is integrally merged to provide the reflexed hinge 25 as is well understood.

Various changes may be made in details or construction and arrangement of parts without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof inherent therein.

I claim:

1. In combination, a body having an elongated slot, shoulders at spaced ends of said slot, a U-shaped portion comprising a bar disposed in said slot and having terminals seated against said shoulders, a bridge merged with said body and completely concealing said bar and terminals only, curved ends integral with said terminals and free of said body, a swingable arm merged with one of said curved ends, and a keeper for disengageably locking said arm.

2. In combination, a body having an elongated slot, curved shoulders at spaced ends of said slot, a U-curved portion comprising a bar disposed in said slot and having arched terminals seated against said shoulders, a bridge merged with said body and concealing and closely confining said bar and terminals, curved ends integral with said terminals and free of and projecting rearwardly of said body, a swingable arm merged with one of said ends, and a keeper for disengageably locking said arm.

3. In combination, a body having an elongated slot, curved shoulders at spaced ends of said slot, a U-shaped portion comprising a bar disposed in said slot and having arched terminals seated

against said shoulders, a bridge merged with said body to conceal and closely confine said bar in said slot and having curved lips concealing and closely confining said terminals, resilient curved ends integral with said terminals and free of said body, a swingable arm resiliently merged with one of said ends, and a keeper for disengageably locking said arm.

4. In combination, a body having an elongated slot, curved shoulders at spaced ends of said slot, a U-shaped portion comprising a bar disposed in said slot and having arched terminals seated against said shoulders, a bridge merged with said body to completely conceal and closely confine said bar in said slot and having curved lips concealing and closely confining said terminals, resilient curved ends integral with said terminals and free of said body, a swingable arm resiliently merged with one of said ends, said bridge having a plurality of spaced teeth, and a keeper for disengageably locking said arm.

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