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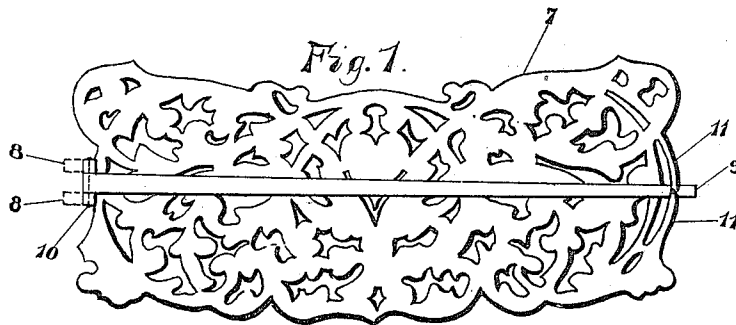
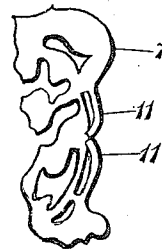


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK E. EDGERLY, citizen of the United States of America, residing at Leominster, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Barrette-Tongue Connections, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to toilet articles and particularly to barrettes and the manner of making same, whereby the connection of the tongue with the barrette is accomplished in a manner to produce a strong and durable structure.

An object of this invention is to provide a barrette body having integral tongue engaging members whereby one end of the tongue may be pivoted and the other end thereof held by a clasp.

A further object of this invention is to produce yieldable tongue engaging members adapted to coact with each other and between which the tongue may be inserted by a pressure on the tongue.

Furthermore, it is an object of the invention to produce a barrette having a body with the tongue engaging members integral therewith and adjustable owing to the flexibility of the material from which the said barrette is formed when in a slightly heated state.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention consists in the details of construction and in the arrangement and combination of parts to be hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed.

In describing the invention in detail, reference will be had to the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification wherein like characters denote corresponding parts in the several views, in which—

Figure 1 illustrates a view in elevation of a barrette body embodying the invention; Fig. 2 illustrates a fragment of a barrette body showing integral tongue engaging members similar to those shown in Fig. 1.

In these drawings 7 denotes the body of a barrette having integral ears 8 which are separated for the purpose of forming a space to accommodate one end of a tongue 9 which is pivotally mounted between the ears 8 through the medium of the pivotal pin 10. The form of tongue 9 is immaterial and will not, therefore, be described in detail. The

end of the tongue opposite the ears 8 is provided with clasps 11 which are formed integral with the body, the said clasps being in the nature of tongues which are bent while the material forming the body of the barrette is in a heated state, which tongues, however, regain a certain amount of rigidity when cooled, the purpose being that the said tongues shall yield sufficiently to allow the tongue to pass between them when it is desired to fasten the end of the tongue remote from the pivot with relation to the body of the barrette after said barrette has been placed in position for use.

It will be seen from an inspection of the figure just described that it is possible to form the barrette body and the tongue fastening means at the time the barrette body is manufactured thus obviating the application of tongue engaging members to the body and therefore reducing the cost of manufacture of articles of this character.

Fig. 2 illustrates a fragment of the device shown in Fig. 1, from which it will be seen that the body 7 has the clasps 11 so curved as to form camming surfaces by which the said clasps are forced apart when the tongue is applied thereto with pressure sufficient to overcome the rigidity of the said clasps. After the tongue has been forced between the clasps, it will not disengage except upon the application of pressure thereon. The clasps 11 extend transversely toward each other and lie in substantial parallelism with the body portion 7.

I claim—

In a barrette, the combination with a body portion, of a pivoted tongue, said tongue having its free end held by a retaining member integral with said body portion, said retaining member consisting of two oppositely and transversely extending arms which have their ends abutting each other, and which lie in substantial parallelism with the body portion, said arms and said body portion being made of an elastic material, whereby said arms are rendered yielding.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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