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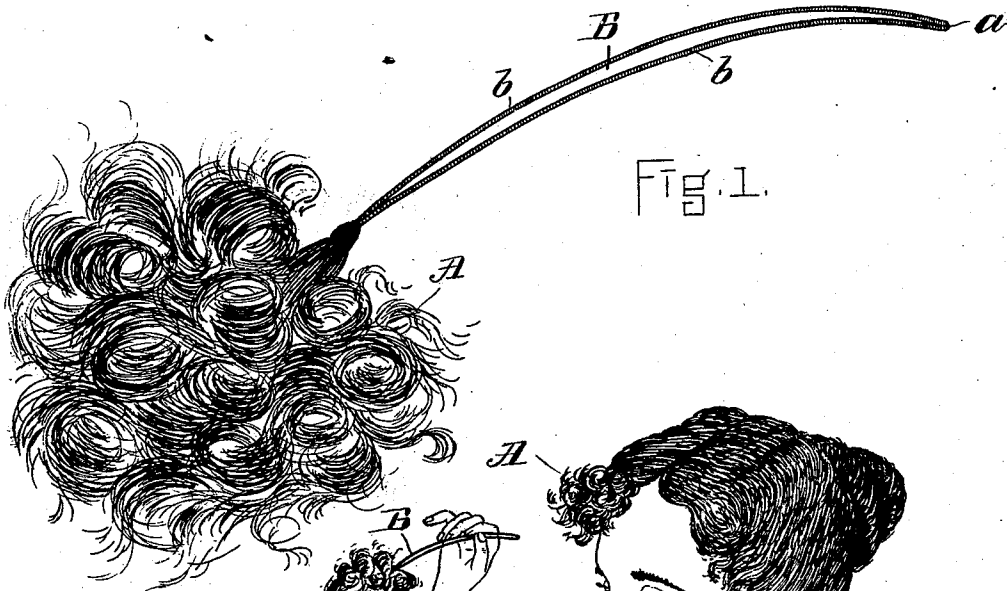


Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, KATE G. LAMBERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain Improvements in Pin-Curls or Hair-Fronts, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a pin-curl or front-piece constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a view illustrating the manner in which my improved pin-curls or front-pieces are applied and secured to the head of the wearer.

The ordinary pin-curls or front-pieces worn by ladies upon the front hair are secured to the head of the wearer by means of extra hair-pins which frequently become loose and drop out, thus endangering the loss of the curls or front pieces. My invention has for its object to overcome this difficulty, and to provide a pin-curl or front-piece with a simple and effective attaching or fastening device, by means of which it can be held securely in place without the use of any extra hair-pins; and to this end my invention consists in a pin-curl or front-piece provided with an elongated stem composed of pliable wound wire looped or bent double and adapted to extend rearwardly to the back of the head under or through the hair of the wearer, whereby the curl or front-piece is held securely in place upon the head as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the said drawings, A represents a pin-curl or front-piece which may be of any desired size or shape to suit the taste or fancy of the wearer, said curl or front-piece being adapted to be worn upon the front hair over the center of the forehead, or on either side of the center of the same where two curls are desired, as seen in Fig. 2. This curl or front-piece A is provided with an elongated stem B composed of pliable wound wire looped or bent double at *a*, to form two members or branches *b, b*, the ends of which extend into the center of the curl to form a foundation or holder therefor, the hair com-

posing the said curl being securely fastened to said ends by sewing or in any other suitable or well known manner. The wire of which the stem B is composed being quite soft or pliable, can be easily bent or shaped by the hand to give it a curvature, as seen in Fig. 1, corresponding to the shape of the top of the head, thus enabling it when thrust through the hair of the wearer, to lie flat upon and close to the scalp where it will be entirely concealed from view. The two branches *b, b*, may lie close together, or by reason of the pliability of the wire, can be easily separated from each other more or less as may be desired.

By the employment of wound or covered wire instead of ordinary smooth wire, a much better frictional hold upon the natural hair of the wearer is afforded, which hold is still further improved by making the stem double and of sufficient length to extend rearwardly to the back of the head, and consequently the stem, when passed under or through the hair, will hold the pin-curl or front-piece securely in place without the aid of any extra hair-pins whatever, nothing being required but the stem itself, which is a great advantage, as it enables the curl or front piece to be more easily and quickly fastened in place upon the head, while the danger of its becoming loose and dropping off is entirely avoided.

The doubling of the wire as shown at *a*, has a further advantage, as it renders the outer end of the stem B round and smooth, thus facilitating its insertion into the hair of the head and leaving no sharp ends to catch in the hair or come into contact with the scalp, the two ends of the wire extending as above described into the curl or front-piece which is firmly secured thereto in such manner that it cannot possibly slip down upon the stem and get out of place.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As a new article of manufacture, a pin-curl or front-piece having an elongated stem B composed of pliable wound-wire looped or bent double at *a*, to form two branches or members *b, b*, to the ends of which the curl or front-piece is secured, said ends forming

a foundation or holder therefor, and said stem being adapted to be shaped or bent to conform to the curvature of the top of the head of the wearer, and enable it to lie flat thereon when passed through or under the hair to the back of the head, substantially as set forth.

Witness my hand this 30th day of October,
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In presence of—
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