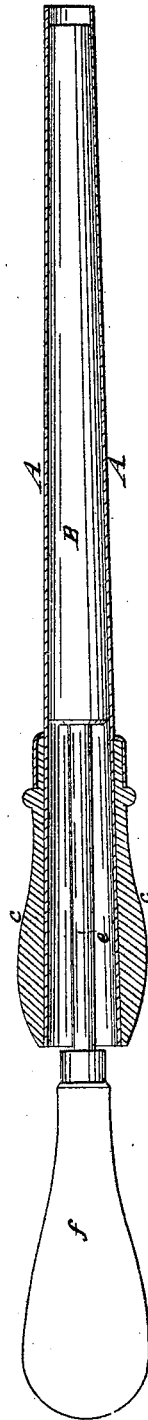


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IMPROVEMENT IN CURLING-IRONS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY D. JENNINGS, of Ilion, in the county of Herkimer and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Curling-Irons; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, said drawing representing a longitudinal view of the iron, partly in section.

This invention consists in making a curling-iron for producing an artificial curl in the hair of two separate and distinct parts, of which that part on which the hair is to be twisted or curled consists of a hollow shell of metal, and has a hollow handle of wood or other material which is a poor conductor of heat, through which the other part, after having been heated in the fire, is inserted for the purpose of heating the shell to the requisite degree, thus avoiding the soiling of the outer surface of the curling-iron and heating it more uniformly than is practicable when the whole is inserted into the fire.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will now describe its construction and operation.

A is the tube or shell, of steel or any other suitable material, and of proper length, made a little conical. To the exterior of the larger

end of this shell A is attached the non-conducting handle *c* in such a manner that the opening *d* of the shell A continues through the handle *c*.

B is the core or plunger, fitted into the shell A from the end next the handle *c*, where the plunger or core B has a stem, *e*, to which is also attached a non-conducting handle, *f*.

When the curling-iron is to be used the core or plunger B is heated to a sufficient degree necessary for the purpose, and is then placed within the shell A and held there until the latter is sufficiently heated, and then withdrawn. The hair which is to be curled is twisted around the shell and held there until it is sufficiently heated so as to retain the twist or curl after the shell is withdrawn from the hair.

It will easily be perceived that all danger of burning or scorching the hair is entirely avoided by the use of the described curling-iron.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A curling-iron constructed and made in two parts, consisting of a shell and core, each having a separate handle, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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