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Fig. 1.

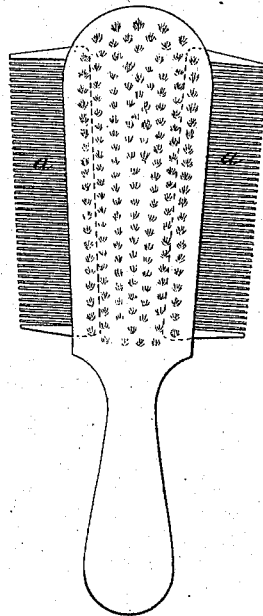
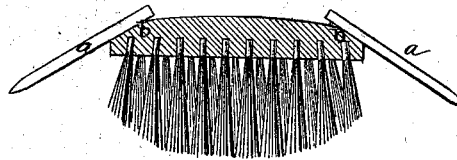


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBS AND BRUSHES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, TOLBERT LANSTON, of Washington, in the county of Washington and District of Columbia, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Combs and Brushes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawing is a plan view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view of the same.

My invention has relation to toilet implements; and it consists in attaching to a brush one or more combs in such a manner that they can be used at the same time. The ordinary form of hair-brush is preferably employed.

To the side of that portion *b* in which the bristles are fixed I attach the comb *a* in such a manner that it be outward and downward, or toward the bristle side of the brush. If two combs are used they should be placed one on each side of the brush, and this is the preferable method, as the article can then be used in either direction.

In the manufacture of these articles it is desirable, in stiff brushes, that the bristle-surface be beveled off or rounded up on each side toward the comb.

The combs may be attached to any ordinary brush by means of screws or other fastenings, or they may, when the body of the brush is of vulcanite or other suitable material, be made in the same piece. Sometimes there may be two brushes attached together in such a manner as to form an angle with each other, the angular edge being in line with the handle. In this form of brush but one comb is employed, extending from the salient angular edge between the brushes.

Claim.

A comb and brush attached to the same handle, and combined in such a manner that both operate on the hair at the same time.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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