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## IMPROVEMENT IN HAIR-PINS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EDWARD HEWITT, and John McAuliffe, of the city of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hair-Pins; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification.

This invention relates to improvements in hair-pins; and it consists in the application of knobs or enlargements to the ends of the prongs, the object of which is to retain them in the hair more securely than they can be without said knobs, as they are now made; also, to prevent them from cutting or puncturing the skin, as the pins do when made in the common way, sometimes much to the injury of the wearer, by reason of the poisonous action of the metal, or substances adhering to it, upon the scalp.

The drawing represents two views of hairpins provided with the improvement which we propose.

A represents the pin, and B the knobs or enlargements we propose to apply, which we prefer to do by upsetting the ends of the prongs or tines, but which may be done in any other approved way.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

As an improved article of manufacture, hairpins provided with knobs or enlargements on the ends of the prongs, substantially as specified

The above specification of our invention signed by us this 2d day of May, 1871.

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