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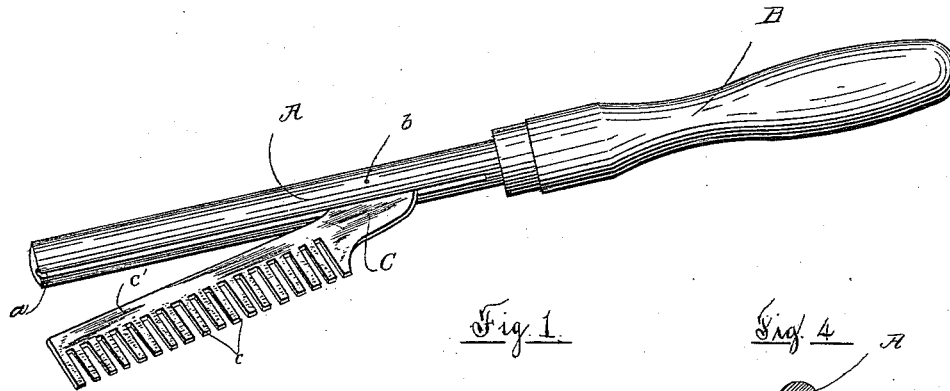


Fig. 1.

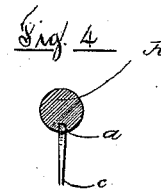


Fig. 4.

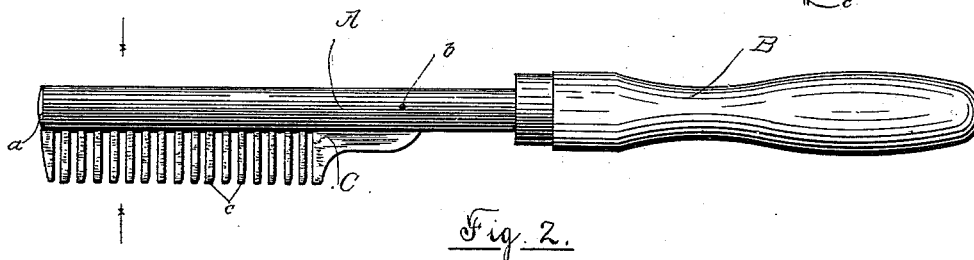


Fig. 2.

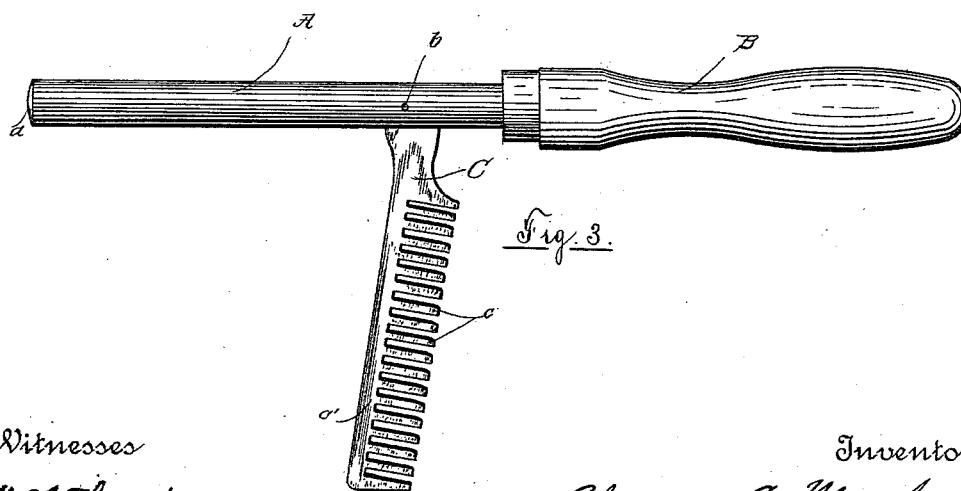


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ABRAM C. MONFORT and WILLIAM H. PECK, both of the city of Pawtucket, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Hair-Curlers and Combs; and we do hereby declare the following specification, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, forming a part of the same, to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

In all that class of hair-curlers which are provided with combs, as heretofore constructed, the comb portion has been either made integral with the curling portion or rigidly fixed thereto by rivets or otherwise. When so constructed, the entire instrument—the comb portion as well as the curling portion—requires to be inserted in the flame or subjected to the heat necessary to heat the curling portion for use. This not only heats the comb portion, which does not require to be heated, but causes it to soon become discolored and blackened, which is very objectionable and makes necessary the frequent cleaning of said comb portion, which is always a difficult and tedious operation. To remedy these difficulties is the object of the present improvement; and to this end the invention consists in so connecting the comb portion to the curling portion of the device that it can be moved away therefrom and to a position where it need not come in contact with the flame or be subjected to the direct action of heat, whereby the curling portion may be heated without to any extent heating the comb portion or causing it to become discolored or blackened.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of our improved curler and comb. Fig. 2 is a front view of the same, showing the comb portion in position for use. Fig. 3 is a front view showing the comb portion swung back away from the curling portion, and Fig. 4 is a transverse section on the line X X, Fig. 2.

A is the curling portion of the device, provided with a suitable handle B. In this curling portion A is a longitudinal slot *a*, adapted to receive the back or edge of the comb C. This comb C is made separate from the curling portion, and is attached at its shank to the curling portion by means of a pin *b*, upon

which it swings as a pivot. The comb portion is provided with the usual teeth *c* and with a back *c'*, adapted to enter the slot *a* in the curling portion A. If desired, a spring or catch or other suitable device may be employed to hold the comb portion in position for use, as shown in Fig. 2; but we have found in practice that it is sufficient for the purpose to construct the parts with a reasonably snug fit between the back *c'* of the comb and the slot *a* in the curling portion A.

By the construction above described, the comb may be swung away from the curling portion and into a position substantially at right angles thereto, as shown in Fig. 3, in which position the curling portion may be inserted in the flame without subjecting the comb portion to the action thereof, and thus without materially heating and without blackening or discoloring it. When the curling portion has been properly heated, the comb may then be swung back into its normal position with its back or rear edge *c'* occupying the slot *a*, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4, and the device employed in the usual way.

What we claim as our invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A combined hair-curler and comb composed of a curling portion and a comb portion made separate from each other, and with the comb portion pivoted to the curling portion so that it may be swung away therefrom and into a position where the curling portion may be inserted in a flame without inserting the comb portion, substantially as described.

2. A combined hair-curler and comb composed of a curling portion and a comb portion made separate from each other, the curling portion being provided with a longitudinal slot to receive the back of the comb portion and said comb portion being pivoted to the curling portion, whereby it may be swung so that its back or rear edge will enter the slot in the curling portion and be supported in place thereby, or may be swung away from said curling portion, substantially as described.

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