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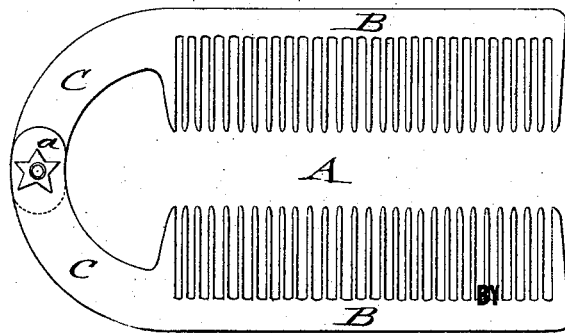
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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIAS BROWN, of Wappinger's Falls, in the county of Dutchess and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Comb for Supporting Ringlets, of which the following is a specification:

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved ringlet-supporting comb, shown as applied to the back of the head; and Fig. 2 is a top view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention relates to a neat and convenient comb for holding the ringlets or curls at the back of the head and preventing their falling forward; and it consists of two symmetrically-arranged combs with curved connecting-arms, which are pivoted together, to be introduced sidewise into the ringlets for holding them together.

A in the drawing represents my improved double comb for supporting the ringlets, which is made of two symmetrically-arranged comb-sections B, that are curved to fit the shape of the back of the head, and applied to pivot-pin *a* at the ends of their bent extension-arms C, so that the teeth of the combs may be

placed at greater and lesser distance into the hair. The comb is applied to the ringlets at the back of the head, as shown in Fig. 1, with the teeth entering and taking hold of the ringlets from both sides, the pivoted arms forming the connecting part above the curls. By pressing on the pivoted comb-sections the ringlets are held together in close connection at the back of the head without being allowed to drop forward over the shoulders, so as to necessitate the annoying throwing back of the same. The ringlets are supported by the comb at the back of the head, so as to drop easily and gracefully, the comb imparting a neat and ornamental appearance to the back of the head.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a back-head ringlet-comb, made in two parts, having curved arms C, pivoted at their ends, as shown and described.

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