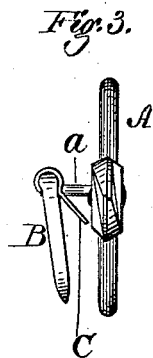
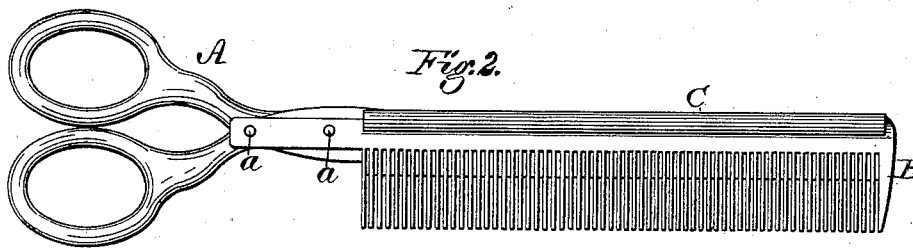
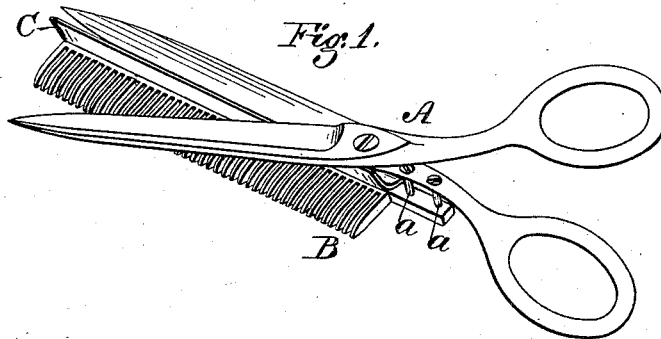


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## IMPROVEMENT IN BARBERS' SHEARS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL NICKELSON, of Gallatin, in the county of Sumner and State of Tennessee, have invented certain Improvements in Barbers' Shears, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists in the combination, with an ordinary pair of shears, of a comb, secured to the side of one of the blades, and a guard or shield between the blade and comb, the attachment serving to govern the length at which the hair is cut, and to present the same properly to the blades.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved shears; Fig. 2, a side view of the same; Fig. 3, an end view of the same.

A represents an ordinary pair of shears; B, an ordinary straight hair-comb, arranged outside of, and parallel with, one of the shear-blades, and secured thereto at the inner end by two screw-studs, *a*; and C, a guard-plate, extending from the back of the comb, over which it is clasped, inward to the edge of the shear-blade, as clearly represented in Fig. 2. The parts are arranged to hold the comb, and the blade to which it is attached, in the proper relative position, parallel with each other, while the screw-studs are so arranged that by turning them the distance between the blade

and comb may be increased or diminished at will. The guard-plate, having its edge curled over in the manner shown, is simply slid endwise upon the comb, so that it may be readily removed when desired.

The comb and the plate may be attached in any suitable manner, their forms and position varied, and other minor changes made, as circumstances may render advisable.

In using the device, the hair is caught upon the comb, and the shears operated in the ordinary manner, the comb serving to present the hair in proper and even shape to the blades, and also, when rested upon the head, to govern the length at which the hair is cut, rendering the same uniform and smooth.

By the use of my combined comb and shears the cutting of hair in the proper manner is rendered a very simple and easy matter to unskilled persons.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the shears A, comb B, and guard-plate C, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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