

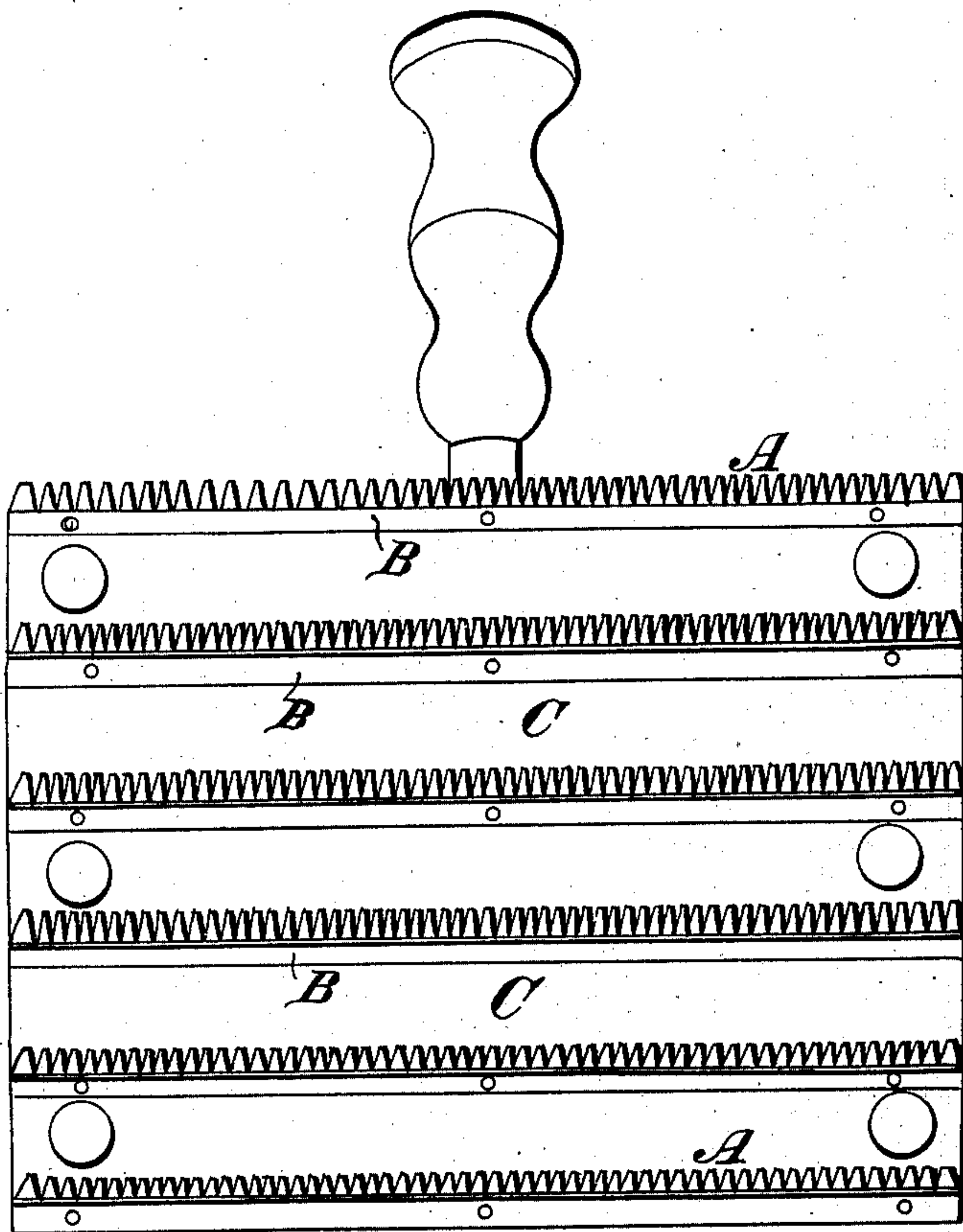
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*Curry Comb.*

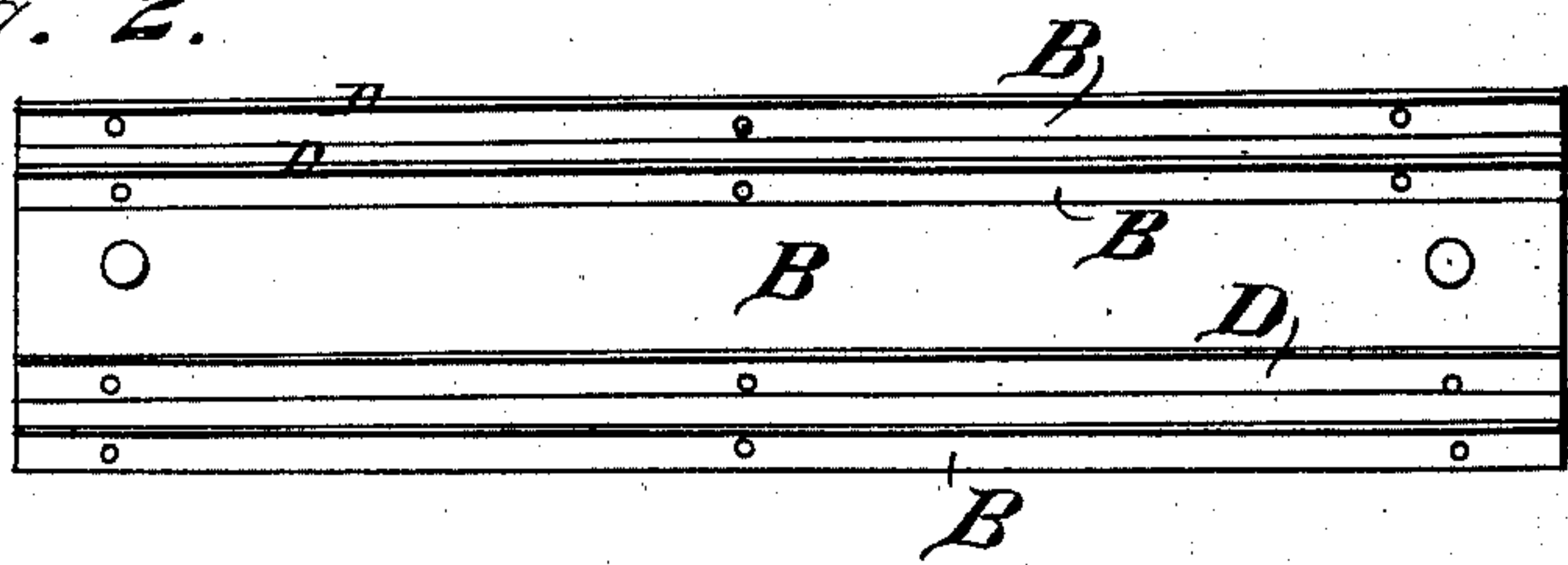
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN CURRY-COMBS.

*The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.*

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, ELFAMEO M. NOYES, of Binghamton, in the county of Broome, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Mode of Constructing Curry-Combs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view.

Figure 2 represents the two sheet-metal pieces detached, which hold and form the casings of the combs.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts in each figure.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction of a curry-comb with non-metallic teeth, which may be made of horn, vulcanized rubber, or other material of sufficient strength, ordinarily used in the manufacture of combs, in connection with a metallic casing, comprising two strips of sheet metal bent at right angles longitudinally, with one part placed in the other, and riveted to the back, thereby obviating the liability of injury to the mane or undue irritation to the skin.

I construct my curry-comb in the form of those in ordinary use. I make the combs A A of horn, but they may be constructed of vulcanized rubber or other suitable non-metallic material, and for the purpose of increasing their strength and holding them in position, I provide a metallic casing, B, as represented detached in fig. 2, consisting of two strips of sheet metal with their edges bent at right angles longitudinally, the one placed within the other, and enough smaller to receive and encase the back of the comb between the projecting edges D D, said pieces being held in their relative position and secured to the back C by rivets. I make the body or back C of sheet iron, or it may be constructed of cast iron or other suitable substance, with the ordinary handle and attachments.

The advantages of a curry-comb constructed as herein described, are, that it obviates the liability of the ordinary comb to cut or break the hair or irritate the skin by the roughness and non-yielding nature of the teeth, and sometimes to sharp and unfinished edges, but oftener to an accumulation of rust. It can be manufactured more economically and beneficially to the public than those in common use.

Having thus described my improvement, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The construction and use of the non-metallic teeth A A, attached to the metallic casing B, in combination with the curry-comb or back C, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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