# C. Merzett. Hair Dyeing Apparatus 1036 Patemied Nov.10.1867. Fig. 1. N°71036 Fig. 2.

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#### IMPROVEMENT IN APPARATUS FOR DYEING HAIR.

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

#### TO ALL PERSONS TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME:

Be it known that I, Charles Merritt, of South Weymouth, of the county of Norfolk, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Apparatus for Dyeing Hair; and I do hereby declare the same to be fully described in the following specification, and represented in the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a side view, and

Figure 2 a longitudinal section of it.

In such drawings, A denotes a hollow cone, formed with a long slot or opening, a, through its side. This cone, at or near its base, is fastened to the shorter arm of one of a pair of curved levers, B C, formed and jointed together very much like the levers of a pair of scissors. Within the cone is a stuffing of sponge, D, which projects through the opening a, in manner as represented. To the shorter arm of the other lever a long jaw, E, is fastened and arranged alongside of the opening a, the whole being as represented in the drawings.

Preparatory to the apparatus being put in use, a solution of nitrate of silver, or other proper coloring matter, is to be supplied to or introduced within the cone, care being taken to saturate the sponge with the solution. The instrument may next be passed into the hair of a person's head, portions of it from time to time being grasped and drawn between the sponge and the jaw, so as to apply the dyeing matter to the hair close to the scalp, and as far along the hair as may be desirable, to impart to it the necessary amount of coloring matter. A cork, b, fitted into the base of the cone, will serve to keep the dyeing liquid within the cone.

I have found an apparatus so constructed a most efficient and convenient means of applying dye to hair, whether of the face or other portions of the head.

I claim as my invention the apparatus substantially as described, that is, as composed of the jointed curved levers, and the cone, sponge, and jaw, arranged together substantially as set forth.

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Witnesses:

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