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Fig. 1.

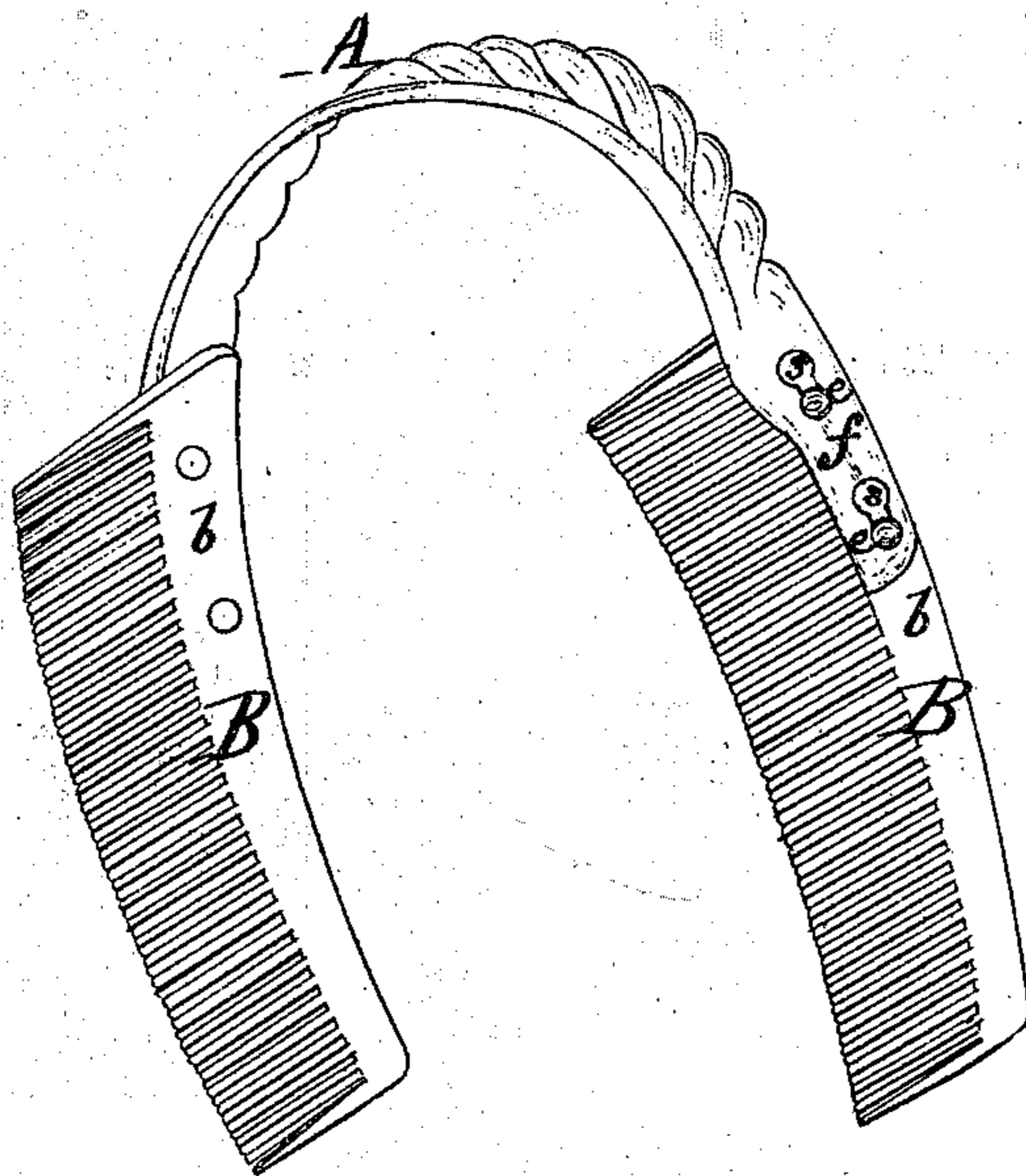
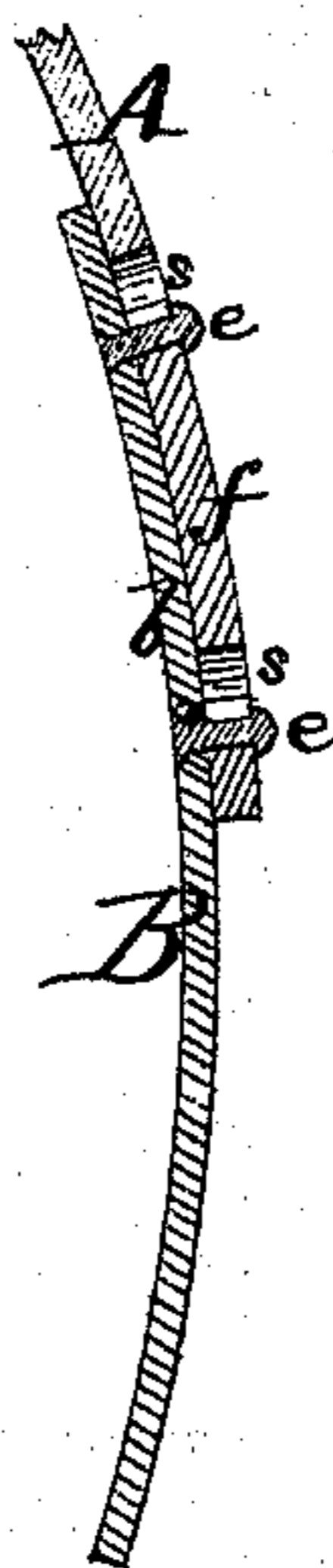


Fig. 2.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN CHILDS' ROUND 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, CHARLES HORACE NOYES, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings, and State of New York, have made an invention of certain new and useful Improvements in Combination Side-Combs; and that the following is a full, clear, and exact description and specification of my said invention.

Combination side-combs, as constructed previous to this invention, consist of a pair of side-combs, united by a curved band, the side-combs and band being all constructed out of one piece of material.

This previous construction is objectionable on account of the cost of the manufacture and the necessity of throwing away the entire article in case a material part be broken, as well as for other reasons, which need not be mentioned in detail.

Combination side-combs have also been constructed with the head-band and side-combs connected by rivets, but this construction is objectionable, as it does not permit the disconnection and reconnection of the members by the user.

The object of my invention is to avoid the objections of the previous mode of construction; and to this end—

My invention consists of the combination of a pair of side-combs, with a connecting-band, by means of a disconnectable fastening, such as escutcheon-pins and slots, or some equivalent or substitute therefor, which permits either comb to be readily connected with and separated from the band by the user.

This combination, while holding the combs rigidly to the band, so that the parts maintain their relative positions, permits the side-combs to be made of a separate piece from the band, and to be cut out of each other in the usual mode of making plain, detached side-combs; it also enables the user to replace a broken member of the combination, and avoids the necessity of throwing away the whole article in case a comb or the band be broken, because the combs and bands, being readily connectable and detachable by the user, may be purchased separately.

It also permits the same combs to be used with different head-bands, made of the same or of different materials, thus permitting the user to provide herself at the cost of the head-bands alone, with an assortment of ornamental head-bands, any one of which may be used in connection with the same pair of side-combs as required.

In order that my invention may be fully understood, I have represented in the accompanying drawing, and will proceed to describe a combination side-comb embodying it.

Figure 1 represents a view in perspective of said combination side-comb, and

Figure 2 represents a section of a portion of it.

The said combination side-comb is formed by combining the curved head-band A and the two side-combs B B.

Each side-comb is of the usual construction of detached side-combs, but it is fitted with two escutcheon-pins *e e*, which are firmly secured to the outer side of the comb-back *b*, with the under sides of their heads at a slightly greater distance from it than the thickness of the head-band A.

The head-band may be plain, or may be ornamented, in any desired manner, by moulding, or by cutting, or by perforation, or by the application of ornaments, or by two or more of these modes of ornamentation.

Its ends, *f*, are made sufficiently long to overlap the backs of the side-combs, and each end is perforated with slots *s s*, corresponding in position with the positions of the escutcheon-pins *e e*.

The slots are large enough at one end to permit the insertion of the heads of the pins through them, but are narrower elsewhere, to prevent the passage of those heads, but to permit the stems of the pins to move along the slots. Hence the side-comb may be applied to the band by entering the heads of the pins through the large parts of the slots, and then the comb may be moved along the band to engage the stems of the pins in the narrower parts of the slots, in which positions the heads of the pins will secure the side-comb to the head-band.

The side-comb may be readily detached by reversing the above operation.

The comb-backs and the ends of the band are, by preference, made of slightly different curvatures, so that the spring of the one from the other tends to make the engagement of the escutcheon-pins secure.

The combination side-comb thus described may be made of any suitable material, such, for example, as hard India rubber, horn, or metal; and the forms of the parts, and the construction of the disconnectable fastening, whether consisting of escutcheon-pins or some substitute therefor, may be greatly varied without departing from the principle of my invention.

I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination of the head-band, side-comb, and detachable fastening, substantially as before set forth.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this 1st day of July, A. D. 1869.

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