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Hair-Pin.

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Fig. 1.

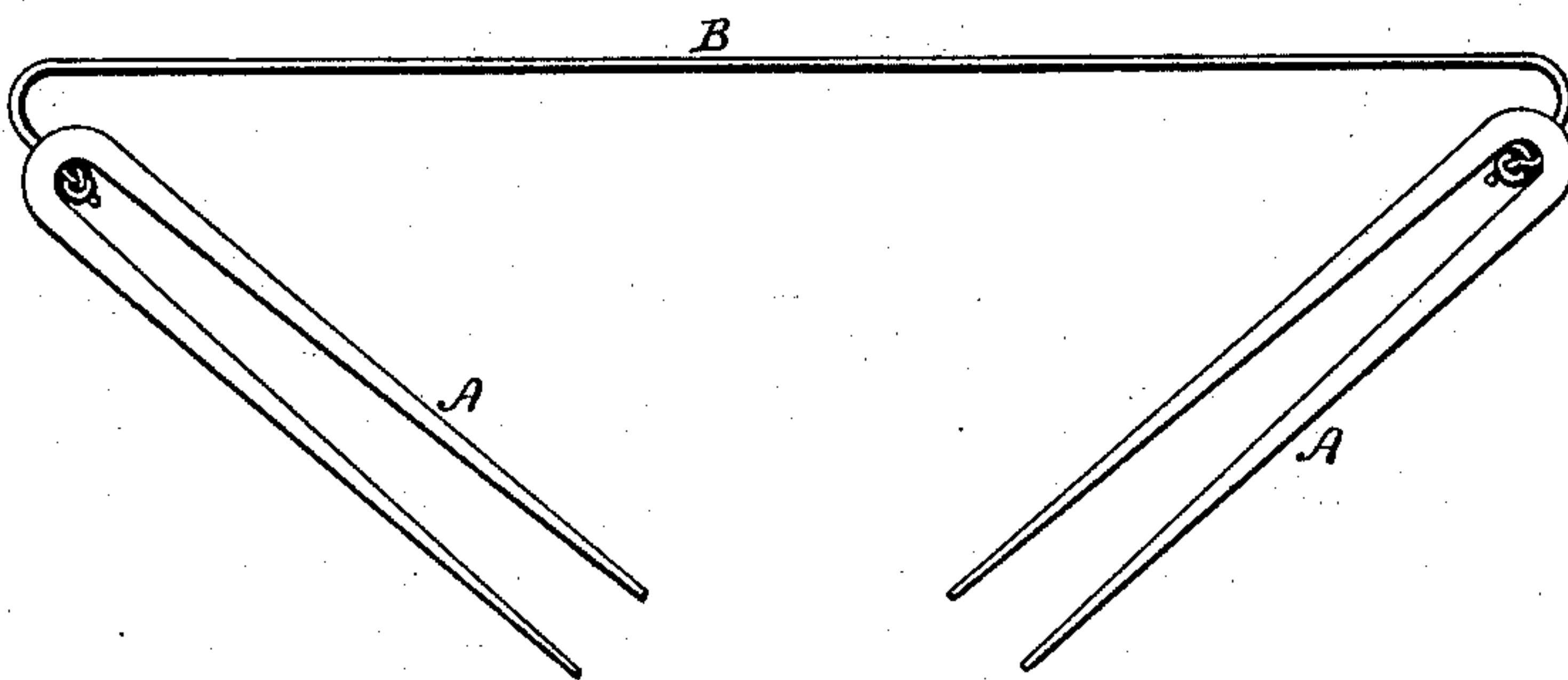
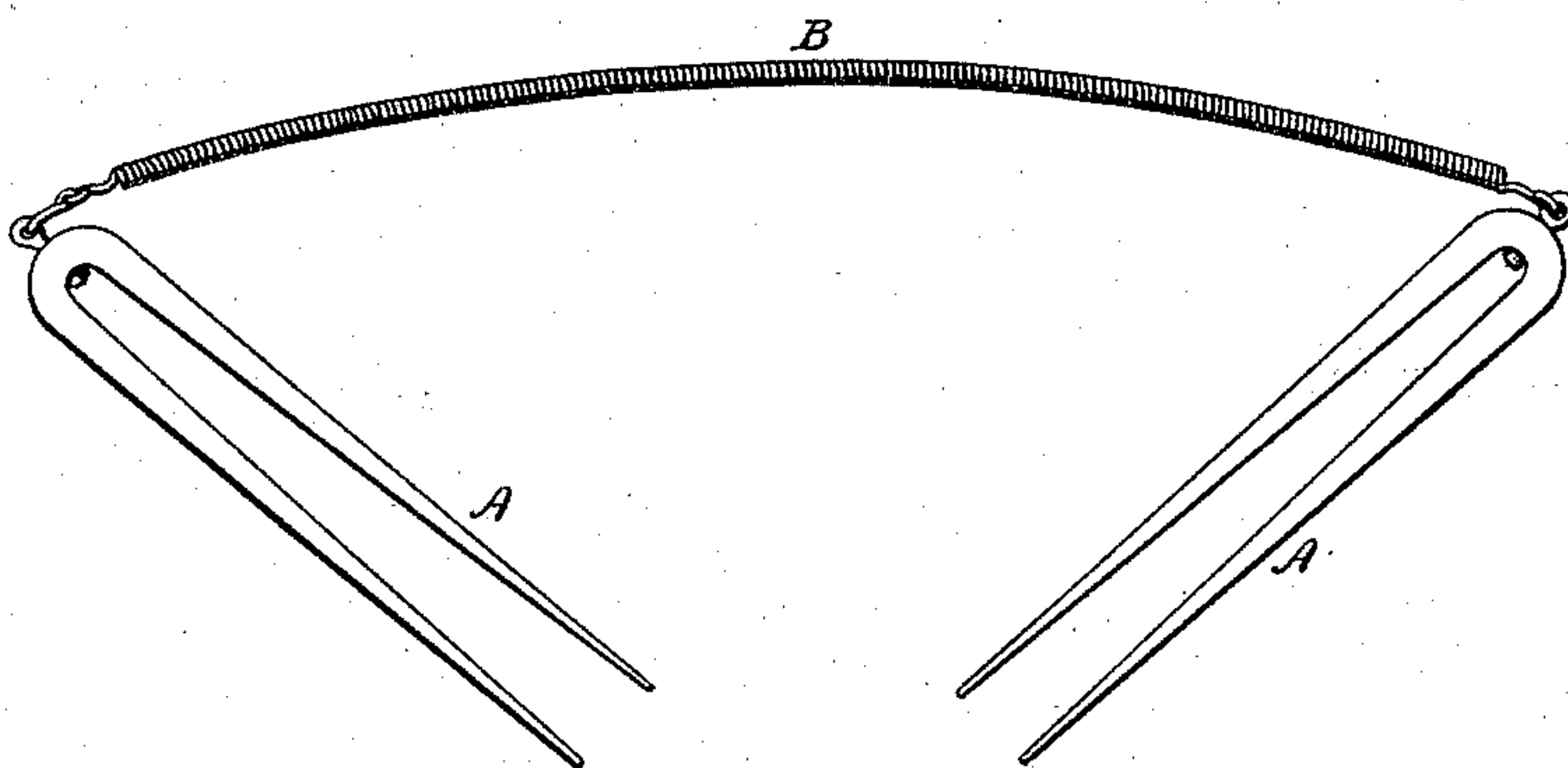


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HAIR-PINS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD KELLY, of Baby's Point, county of Lambton and Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented an Improvement in Hair-Pins, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my invention relates to an improvement in the construction of hair-pins; and consists in constructing said pins in pairs secured together by means of elastic material connecting the heads of said pins, so that when the pins are inserted upon opposite sides of the braid the elastic material will hold them in place and prevent their being accidentally dislodged.

Figure 1 is a plan view of a pair of hair-pins connected as described, and showing the manner of using them. Fig. 2 is a modification, showing the pins connected by a fine coil-spring, instead of elastic cord, as shown in Fig. 1.

In the drawings, A represents two hair-pins of the usual construction, except that the heads are perforated to receive the elastic cord B, by means of which said pins are connected together. This cord may be of any desired length, and may be used, in addition

to the use already described, for the purpose of winding the back hair, thereby avoiding the necessity of using an additional string for that purpose.

In Fig. 2 a fine-wire coil-spring, which should be plated, is employed, and may be used when it is desired to make ornamental bands across the braid, which latter is secured by means of the pins. If preferred, the springs or bands may be connected with the pins by small swivels, which will allow the pins to be turned without danger of kinking the spring-connections.

I am aware that hooks have been attached to shawl-pins by elastic cord, and that shawl-pins have been made of two ball-pins connected together by a non-elastic cord or a small chain, and I hereby disclaim the same.

What I claim as my invention is—

As a new article of manufacture, hair-pins constructed in pairs, secured together by elastic connections, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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