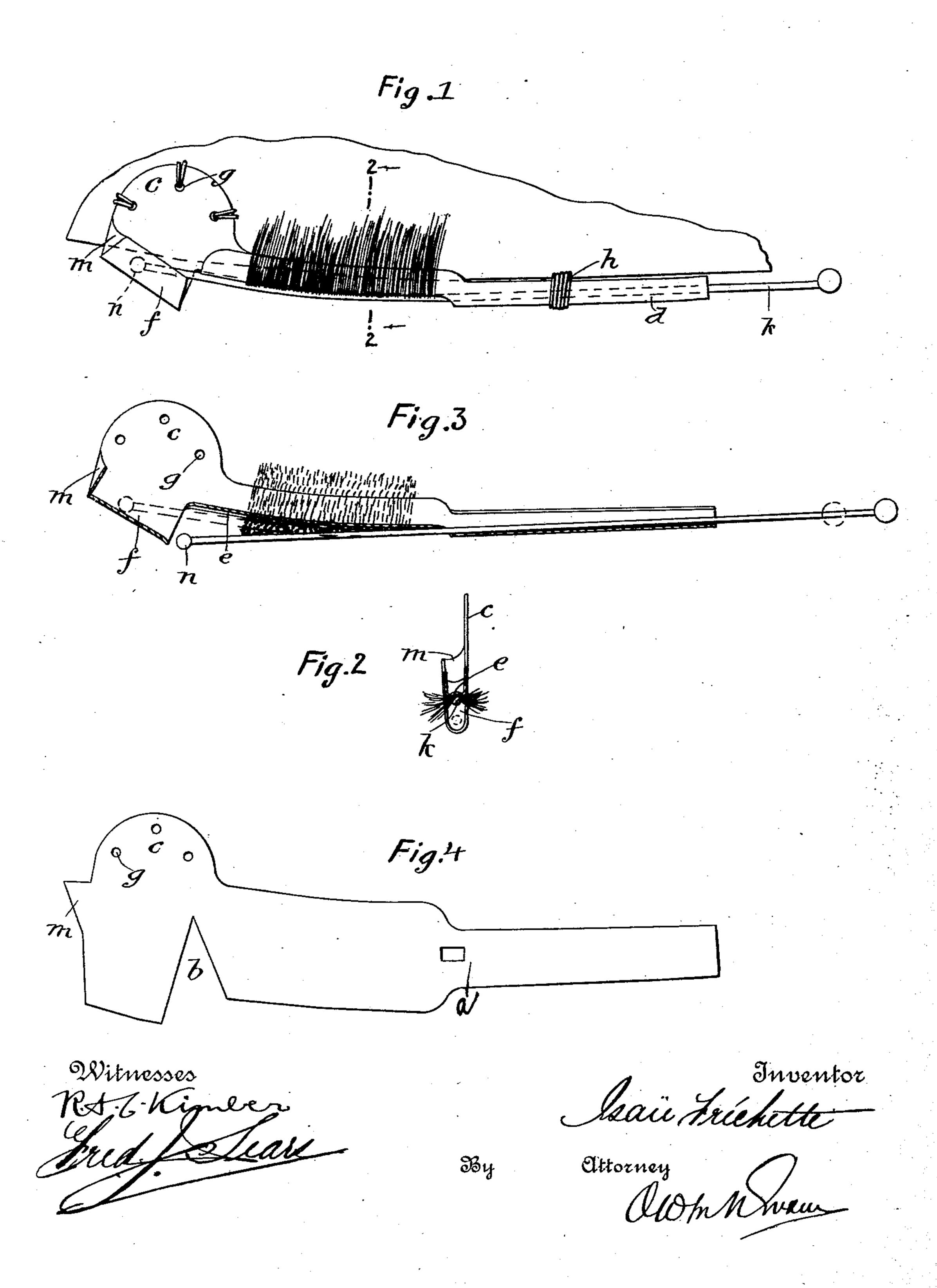
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I. FRÉCHETTE. HAT PIN GUIDE OR RETAINER.

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HAT-PIN GUIDE OR RETAINER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Isaïe Fréchette, of the city of Montreal, in the district of Montreal and Province of Quebec, Canada, have 5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Guides or Retainers for Hat-Pins; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

This invention has for its object to produce a simple and effective device adapted for use more particularly with ladies' bonnets and hats or other head-gear, and which will effectively hold the bonnet or hat in place, besides avoiding the frequent annoyance caused by loging the customery but pin

15 by losing the customary hat-pin.

The invention may be said to consist in a guide for a hat-pin permanently secured to the hat and comprising a straight tubular portion, an open bearing-surface, and an inclined portion adapted to direct the pin to pass first in a straight line beneath the hair and then bend same laterally, so as to press the hair gripped tightly against a portion of the guide.

For full comprehension, however, of the invention reference must be had to the annexed drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which like symbols indicate corre-

sponding parts, and wherein—

Figure 1 is an inside view of the front portion of a hat, showing the device in place; Fig. 2, a cross-section of same on line 2 2, Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a longitudinal vertical sectional view of the device; Fig. 4, a view of the blank from which the device may be formed.

In carrying out my invention I prefer to strike out and use a blank of thin metal of the contour shown in Fig. 4 and characterized by a straight end portion, curved central portion, and oblique end portion, with an opening a at the point of junction of the straight end portion with the central curved portion and a notch b intervening such central portion and the oblique end portion, which latter is also extended laterally on one side to afford an attaching-section c. The straight end portion is rolled into the form of a tube d. The central curved portion has its edges turned up and a depression or groove e formed lengthwise of its middle surface, while the oblique end portion is bent to form a guide or

incline section f obliquely to the axes of both the tube d and the groove e. The device so formed may be secured to the hat either at the front or back by stitching through perforations g in the attaching-section e and over the device, as at h, and with the device so placed the customary hat-pin k, upon being inserted in the outer end of the tube d and pushed through same, will move in a straight 60 line, as indicated by dotted lines in Figs. 1 and 3, through the hair of the wearer, and upon reaching the incline f and being pushed farther will be bent to bear tightly against the grooved surface e, thus firmly gripping 65 the hair and holding the hat in place.

The blank is preferably provided with a small projection, as indicated at m, which is adapted to be bent across the end of the incline f to prevent the pin projecting beyond 70 same. As a means also of preventing any chances of losing the pin k it may be permanently connected with the device by forming an enlargement upon its end large enough to prevent withdrawal from the tube d, such 75 enlargement being formed in any desired manner, but preferably by flattening or increased in thickness in any way at the point, as shown at n, in which case the pin will be set in place first and the tube d then rolled 80

around same.

What I claim is as follows:

1. A guide for a hat-pin comprising a straight tubular portion, an open bearing-surface and an inclined portion, for the purpose 85 set forth.

2. A guide for a hat-pin comprising a straight end portion, an inclined end portion, and an intermediate curved portion presenting an open bearing-surface, substantially as 90 shown and described.

end portion with the central curved portion and a notch b intervening such central portion and the oblique end portion, which latter is also extended laterally on one side to afford | 3. A guide for a hat-pin comprising a straight tubular portion, an open bearing-surface and an inclined portion, the outer end of the inclined portion being closed, for the 95 purpose set forth.

Montreal, May 29, 1896.

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