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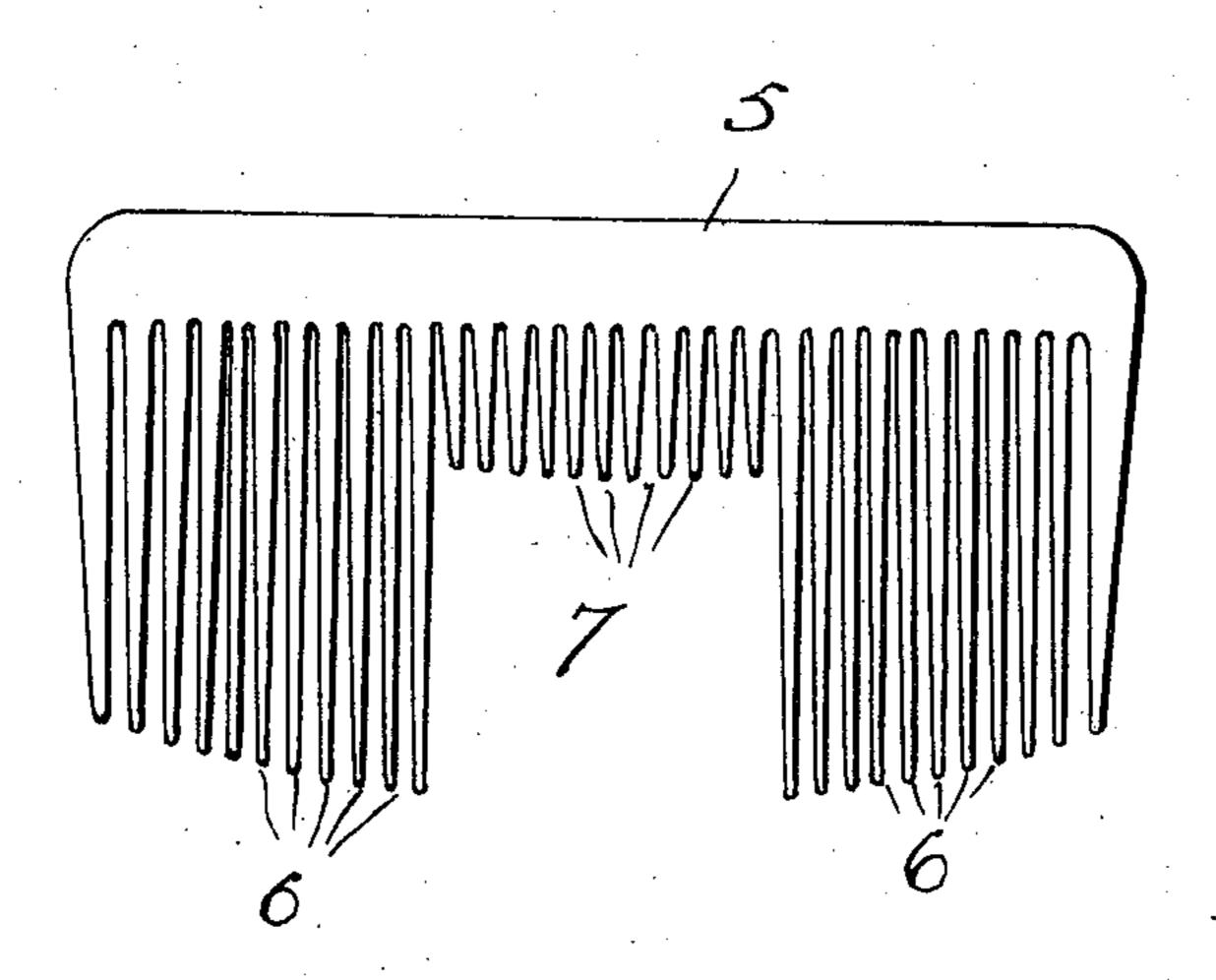
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Nellie L. Carper, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lewistown, in the county of Fulton, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Back Tuck-Combs; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention has relation to back-combs that are worn in part for ornamental purposes, though they are employed to accomplish useful functions both in dressing and wearing the hair.

It is the object of the invention to provide such improvements in back-combs as will qualify them to be more advantageously placed upon the head, and that will be more efficient and desirable in many respects than heretofore in the useful employments to which they have been put.

The invention consists of a back-comb having a high ornamental back and long teeth at the sides, as here-tofore, but in which the teeth in the center are made shorter than at the sides as is indicated in the drawing hereto annexed, forming a part of this specification to which reference is to be had and in which,

Figure 1 is a rear elevation of the invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing one way of wearing it.

The same figures of reference designate the same parts or features, wherever they occur.

The comb is adapted to be worn both in upright position or as it is shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, or in any desirable position for tucking in loose hair or securing the coils in place. In dressing or "doing up" the hair, if it should be coiled low down on the neck,

35 or in relatively low-down position, the comb may be worn above the place where the hair is started to be

formed into a coil, in order to give a neat effect to the top of the back comb without having it stand up to a degree that will give the appearance of an odd fashion, or an out-of-fashion, style of wearing the hair.

The formation of a short-toothed gap in the central portion of the comb will permit it to fit down on the primary coils, as stated, since there will be nothing in the way of having it sit down close. The teeth 6 at the sides may readily enter the loosely-twisted or 45 coiled hair at the sides of the united or primary coils, and as will be readily understood.

In the drawings there is shown a comb wherein the back 5 is provided with teeth 6 of the usual lengths at its side or end portions and with short teeth 7 in the 50 gap between the two series of long teeth.

If the hair is dressed or "done" high on the head and one wished to wear the comb below the coils, the gap at the central point permits this to be done, since the coils formed at the beginning or the primary coils, 55 so-called, will, as in the case before described, fall in the gap 7. The teeth 6 at the sides will serve to keep the comb in place as well as the loosely formed coils at the sides, and the head and neck of the wearer, not reaching the comb, will be kept from pushing the 60 comb up and out of place.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, is:—

A back-comb having a broad or high back and long teeth at the opposite sides, as usual, and a gap at the central 65 part, said gap being provided with relatively short teeth as shown and explained.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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