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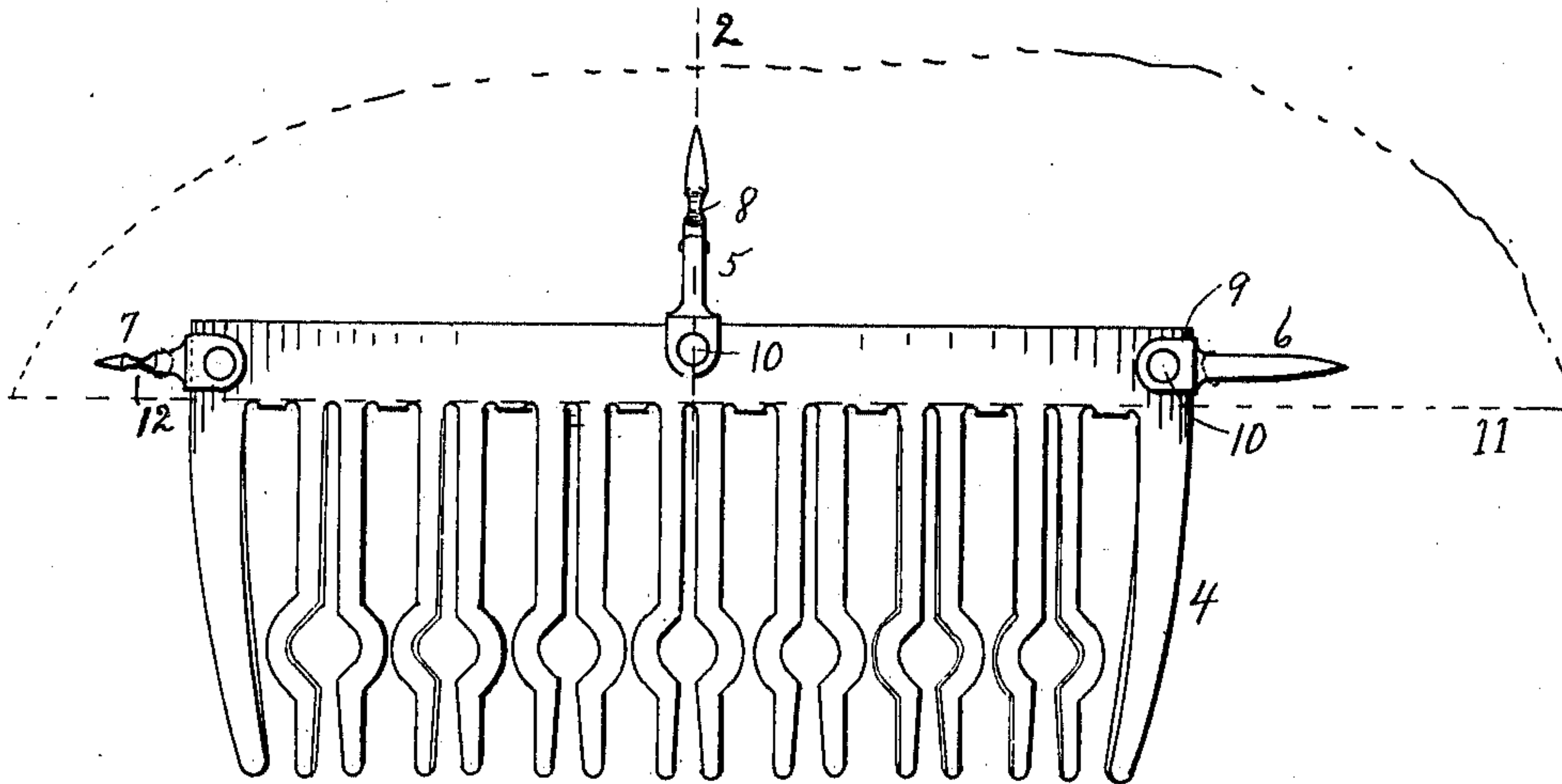


Fig. 1

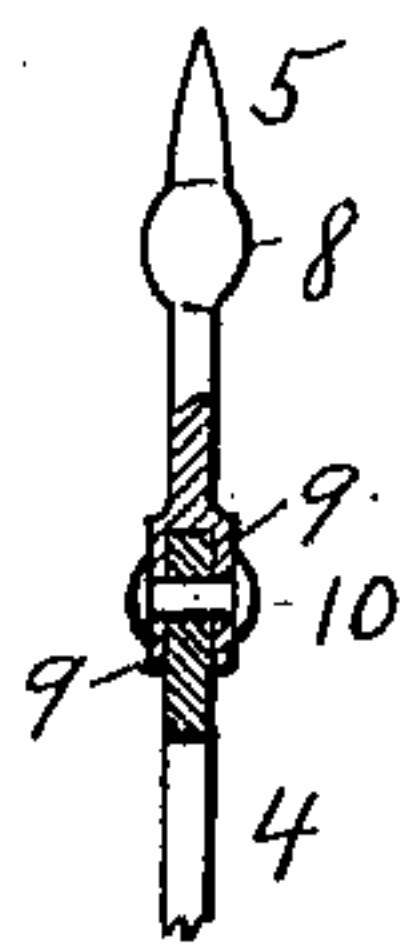


Fig. 2

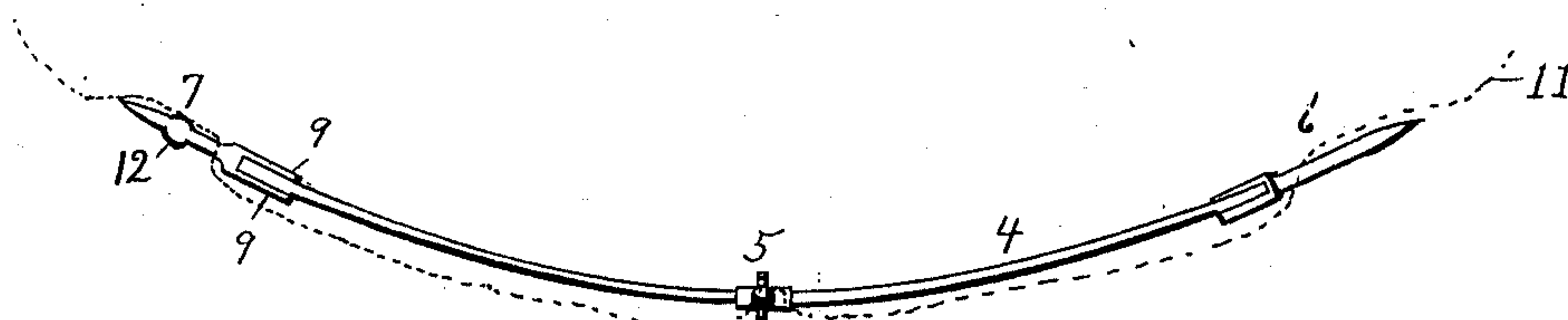


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EVA O. SCHLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing in Topeka, in the county of Shawnee and State of Kansas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hat-Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is a hat comb with a device or arrangement for readily attaching the comb to and detaching it from a lady's hat; the object being not so much to hold the hat on the head as to make it stay straight.

I contemplate the use of my fastener, which might well be termed a "stay-straight hat comb" or the like, in connection with ordinary hat pins, the hat pins securing the hat on the head, and my devices holding it straight. And my invention comprises a comb with pins projecting therefrom in such forms as to make the comb readily attachable to and detachable from the hat and yet which hold the combs securely to the hat in the ordinary wear and use.

In the drawings accompanying and forming part of this specification, and in the description of the drawing, I have shown my invention in its preferred form, and have shown what I deem to be the best mode of applying the principles thereof; but it is to be understood that I contemplate changes in form, proportions, and materials, the transposition of parts, and the substitution of equivalent members, within the scope of the appended claim, without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Figure 1 is a side view of a device made in accordance with the principles of my invention, with a dotted outline of a portion of a hat. Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken approximately on a plane indicated by the line 2 of Fig. 1. And Fig. 3 is a top view, with a dotted outline of a portion of the hat.

Similar reference characters indicate like or corresponding parts throughout the several views.

4 represents a comb of any suitable size, material, and shape, preferably what is known as a side comb. From the upper part of the comb are projected a number of pins in different directions and so arranged that they can be stuck through the side of the hat with the comb on the inside and at the bottom of the hat as indicated. Preferably, in simplest form, there are three such pins; the

pin 5 which projects vertically from the middle portion of the comb, and the pins 6 and 7, which project laterally in opposite directions from opposite ends of the comb, one of the end pins being shorter than the other. This arrangement permits the long end pin to be inserted through the side of the hat and then the shorter end pin, they holding the comb in place and not readily becoming detached if the hat material is slightly drawn or extended in inserting the short pin and pushing the comb toward that pin. The vertical pin may then be inserted by pulling or drawing the material of the side of the hat up over it; thus holding the comb firmly in place. Preferably the long vertical pin and the short end pin are provided with humps 8 and 12 to assist in preventing these pins from accidentally slipping out. The pins may be fastened to the comb in any suitable manner; but I prefer to make them with bifurcated bases 9, which straddle the edge of the comb and to secure them with rivets 9.

11 is a dotted outline of a portion of the hat to which the comb is attached.

In use, two of the combs should be worn with a hat, one on each side, and so placed as to engage the hair in about the same manner as ordinary side combs. Being attached to the hat and so adjusted as to hold it in proper position on the head, they are applied and removed as part of the hat, not being detached in ordinary use. But they may be readily removed from one hat and applied to another; it being a distinction of my peculiar method of attachment that no other device is necessary for the attachment to the hat than the pins shown.

What I claim is:

A stay-straight hat fastener comprising a comb with a humped pin projecting upwardly from the upper part thereof, a long pin projecting laterally from one end thereof, and a shorter humped pin extending laterally from the opposite end.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name in the presence of witnesses.

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