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That third feather has always been a mystery to me as well. I tie my flies like the illustration that Afish posted; with two Metz Hackle feathers.

I always imagined that the stem portion braced the barbles to keep them from laying down against the body of the fly when you were casting so as Joe wrote, "they spring back". The problem for me is that all of those hackle wraps take up too much space on the hook to allow for a decent head to tie off with.

On another note, the Bivisible is still a great pattern, though I tie them in all brown with no tail. Maybe fish think they are a June Bug or other terrestrial. I never tried skating them. I will have to give that a try sometime.

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