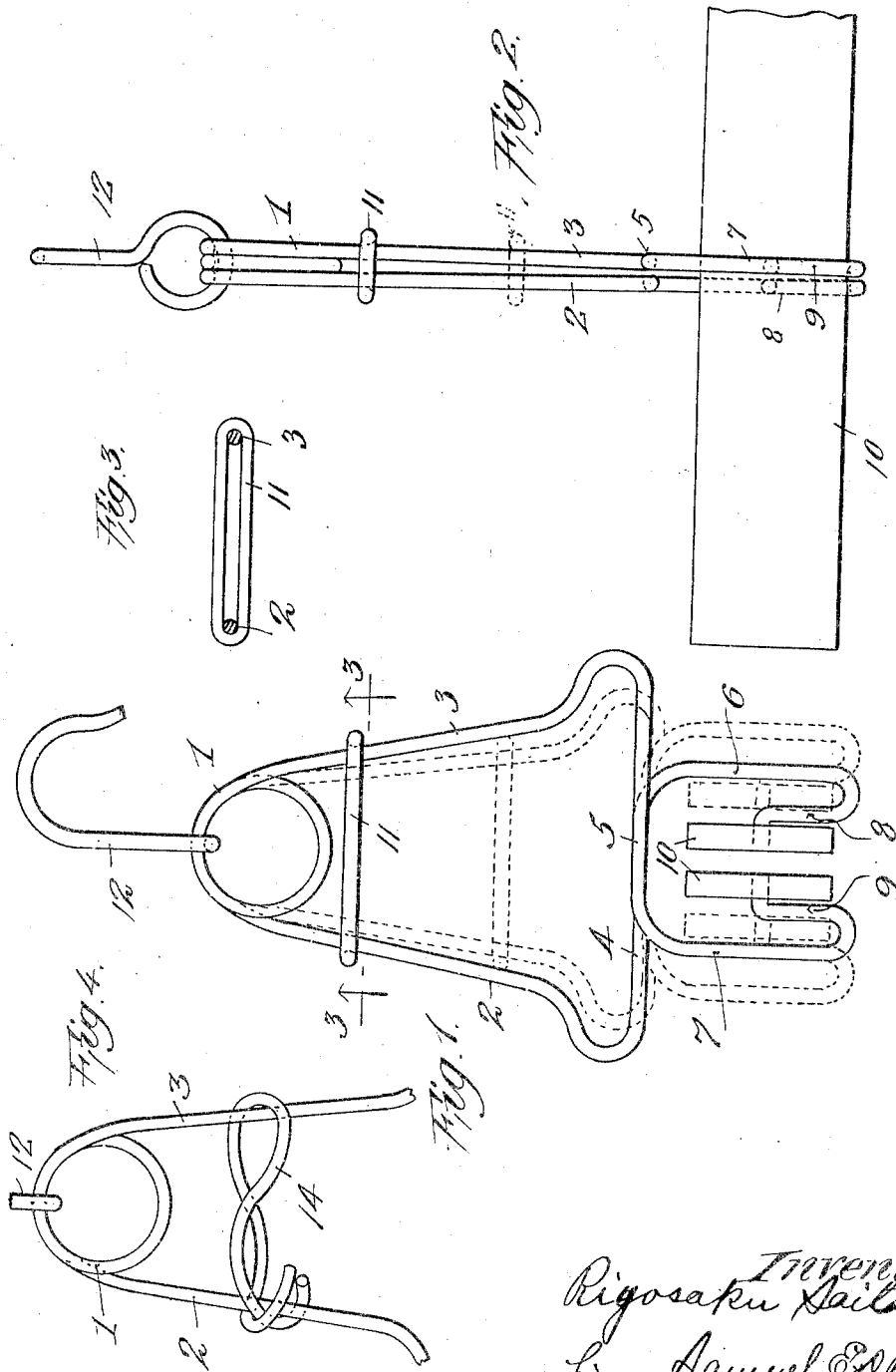


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RIYOSAKU SAITO, a subject of the Emperor of Japan, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have made a certain new and useful Invention in Garment-Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to garment hangers and is especially adapted for use in hanging trousers.

The object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger of simple construction, which is efficient in operation and exceedingly economical of manufacture.

A further object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger of the character set forth which is made of a single piece of twisted wire.

A further object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger especially adapted for hanging trousers and which will maintain the press or crease in the trousers when attached thereto.

Further objects of the invention will appear more fully hereinafter.

The invention consists substantially in the construction, combination, location and relative arrangement of parts all as will be more fully hereinafter set forth, as shown by the accompanying drawing and finally pointed out in the appended claim.

Referring to the drawing:

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation of a garment hanger embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 is a view in side elevation of the same.

Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken on the line 3—3, Fig. 1 and looking in the direction of the arrows.

Fig. 4 is a broken detailed view in front elevation of a slightly modified construction embodying my invention.

The same part is designated by the same reference character wherever it occurs throughout the several views.

It is among the special purposes of my present invention to provide a garment hanger made up of a single piece of twisted wire with the natural tension thereof normally tending to hold the jaws of the garment hanger in clenched position, and while I have shown and will now describe my invention as applied particularly to a trousers hanger, I wish it to be understood that the same may be readily employed for all garments and I therefore do not desire to be

limited to the specific form which has been adopted for the purpose of illustration.

Referring to the drawing the garment hanger is shown consisting of a single piece of wire formed with spiral loops indicated at 1, the respective legs of the wire extending downwardly from the loop 1 and outwardly relative thereto as indicated at 2 and 3. The respective legs 2 and 3 at their bottoms project inwardly toward each other in parallel planes as indicated at 4 and 5, to a point beyond the ends thereof, that is, the portions 4 and 5 project past each other as clearly shown. The respective portions 4 and 5 of the wire are then bent downwardly to form members 6 and 7 respectively in planes parallel to each other and the ends 8 and 9 are bent backwardly upon the portions 6 and 7, and any suitable garment supports are fastened to the ends of the legs 8 and 9. In the form shown I provide two strips of wood 10 carried by the legs 8 and 9 for this purpose. Mounted over the portions 2 and 3 to slide up and down thereover is a link 11. When the link 11 is in the position shown, that is nearest the loop or coil 1, it will be apparent that the wooden pieces 10 are adjacent each other, and are held in such position by the spring tension of the device. When however, the member 11 is moved downwardly on the portions 2 and 3 the device assumes the position indicated by dotted lines forcing the wooden members 10 away from each other, allowing the garment which has been held by the device to be removed or allowing a garment to be inserted in the device. Any suitable means may be employed for suspending the garment hanger. For example: An ordinary type of hook indicated at 12 may be secured through the coil 1 for this purpose.

Many modifications will readily occur to those skilled in the art without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention as defined in the claims. For example; and if desired, instead of using the member 11 shown in Figs. 1 and 3 a portion of spring wire indicated at 14, Fig. 4 wound upon itself in the manner shown may be used. With this construction a spring tension and resiliency in the member 14 itself may be secured.

Having now set forth the objects and nature of my invention and having shown and described structures embodying the principles thereof, what I claim as new and

useful and of my own invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is,—

A garment hanger comprising a single piece of wire formed into a coil at its approximate center with portions depending
5 divergently downward therefrom a portion of their length, and then bent toward and past each other in close proximity with each other, then bent vertically downward and

upward to form a loop with the free ends 10 of said wire extending toward each other, and plane parallel strips secured to the free ends of said wire for resiliently gripping a garment therebetween.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set 15 my hand on this 10th day of January, A. D. 1919.

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