

[54] GARMENT HANGER WITH LOCK

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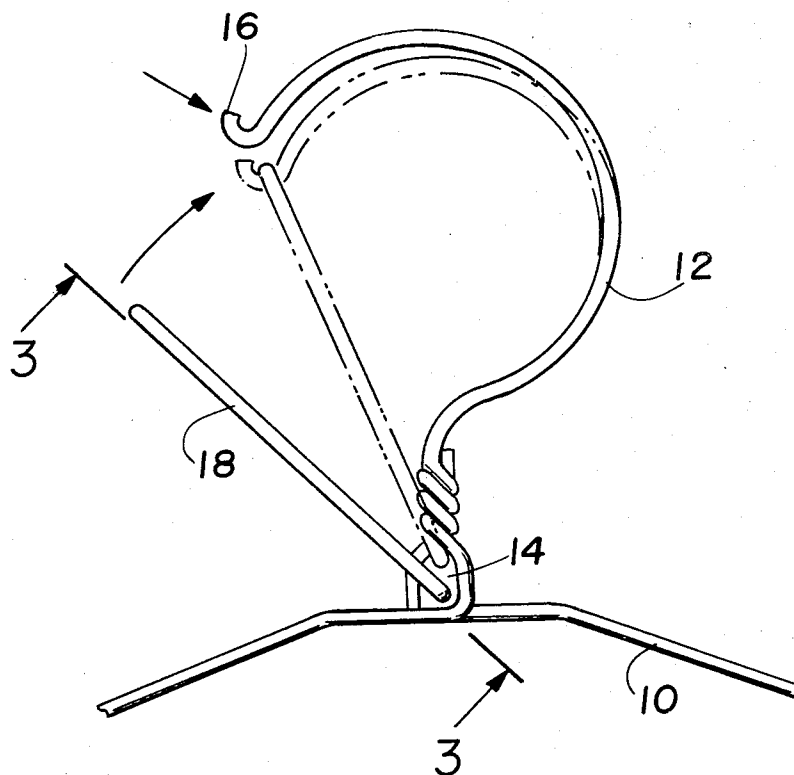
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[57] ABSTRACT

A horizontally elongated wire body is adapted to receive a garment. A coplanar open wire suspension hook is secured to the midpoint of the upper part of the body and extends upward therefrom. The free end of the hook has an upwardly turned small auxiliary hook. A hole is formed in the structure at the point at which the open hook joins the body. An elongated closed loop has one end pivotally disposed in the hole and an opposite end detachably engageable with the auxiliary hook.

1 Claim, 3 Drawing Figures



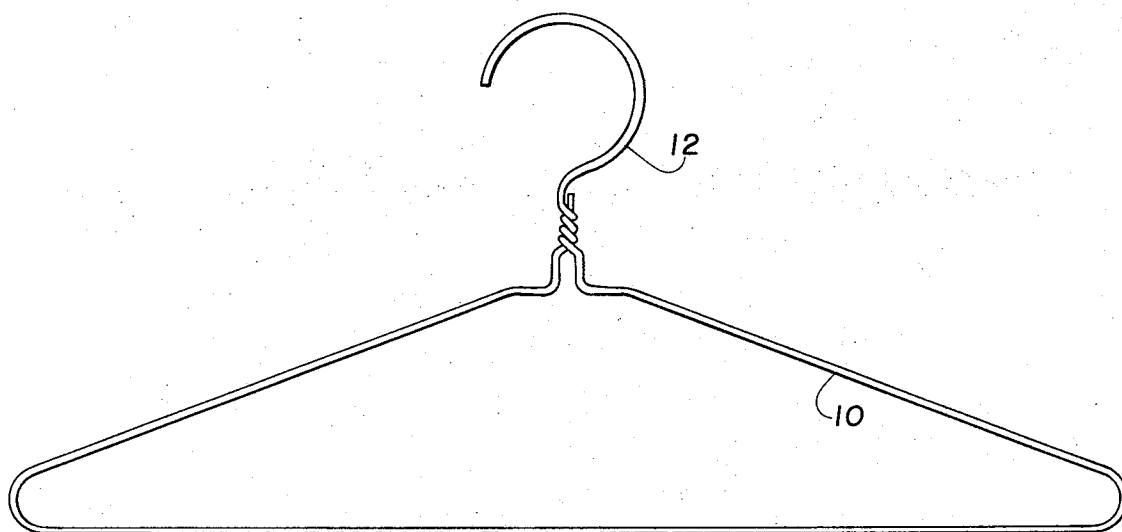


FIG. 1 PRIOR ART

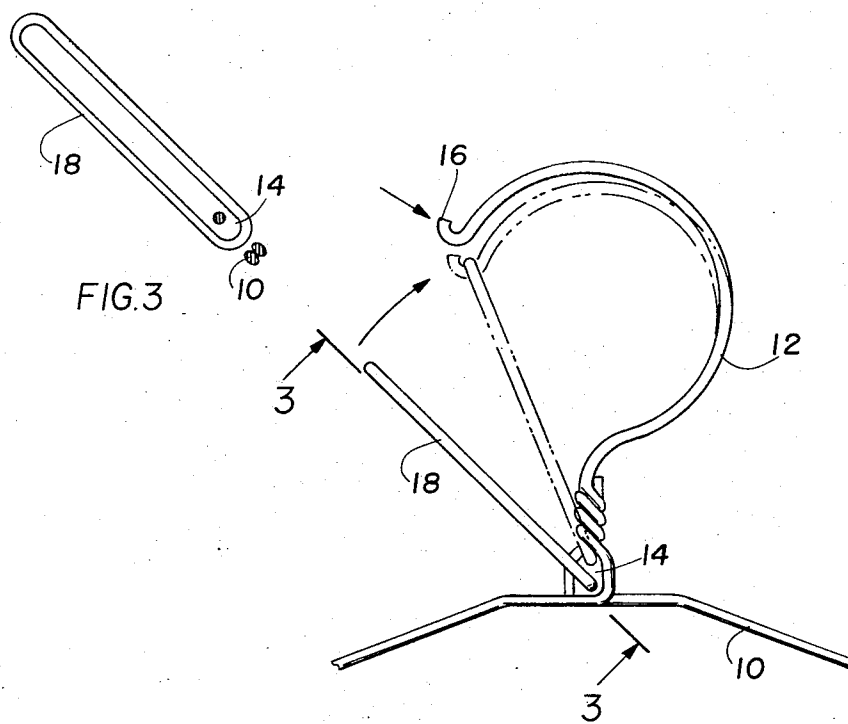


FIG. 2

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

My invention is directed toward garment hangers and is more particularly directed toward hangers having locks for securely and safely supporting the hangers on hanger bars or rods whereby the hangers cannot be accidentally knocked off or dislodged causing garments thereon to become soiled or damaged.

To this end, my garment hanger is provided with a horizontally elongated wire body which receives a garment. A coplanar open wire suspension hook detachably engages a hanger bar or rod and extends downwardly therefrom to join the midpoint of the upper part of the body. An open region is formed at the juncture of hook and body.

The open hook has an upwardly turned small auxiliary hook at its free end. An elongated closed loop has one end pivotally disposed in the region and an opposite end detachably engageable with the auxiliary hook. Once the loop is so engaged, the open hook is locked in position and the hanger cannot fall off.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

In the drawings:

FIG. 1 is a view of the prior art garment hanger;

FIG. 2 is a detail view of a hanger in accordance with my invention; and

FIG. 3 is a view taken along line 3—3 in FIG. 2.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Referring first to FIG. 1 an elongated horizontal wire body 10 adapted to receive a garment is provided with a coplanar open wire suspension hook 12 secured to

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the midpoint of the upper part of the body and extending upward therefrom.

As shown in FIGS. 2 and 3, this known structure is modified first by forming a hole 14 lying in the plane of hook and body and disposed at the juncture thereof; second by forming the free end of the hook 12 into a small upwardly turned auxiliary hook 16; and third by pivotally and permanently disposing one end of an elongated closed loop 18 in hole 14. The other end of loop 18 is detachably engageable with hook 16 to lock the hanger in place as previously described.

While I have described my invention with particular reference to the drawings, such is not to be considered as limiting its actual scope.

Having thus described this invention, what is asserted as new is:

1. A garment hanger employing a single elongated length of wire shaped to define a horizontally elongated wire body for receiving a garment and a coplanar open wire suspension main hook secured to the midpoint of the body and extending upward therefrom, the main hook being shaped from one end of the wire and having a shank integral with one end of the body, the other end of the wire being integral with the other end of the body and being wound together with the shank into a coil, the coil and the body having at the juncture thereof a hole lying in the plane of said body and said main hook, the free end of the main hook having an upwardly turned small hook coplanar with the main hook and said body, and an elongated closed flat loop pivotally disposed at one end in the hole, the other end of the loop being detachably engageable with said auxiliary hook.

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