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FOLDING WARDROBE.

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Fig. 1.

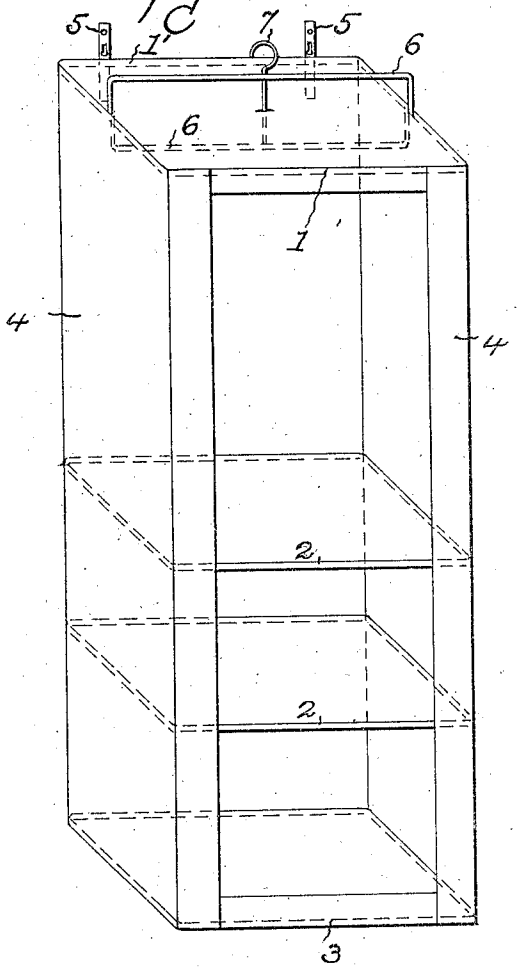


Fig. 2.

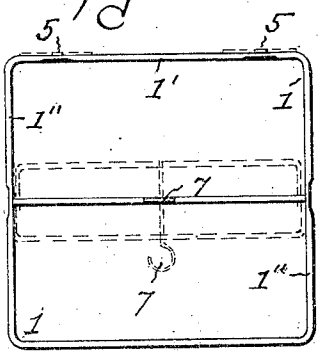


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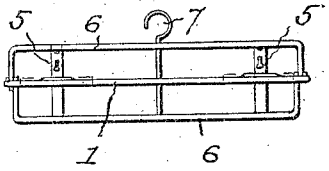
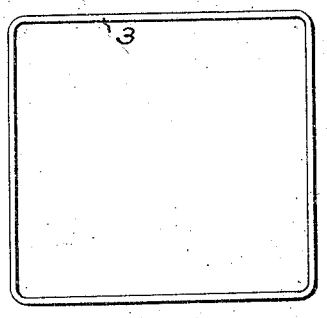


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARIE WOOLSON, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding Wardrobes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to that type of portable or folding wardrobes in which skeleton frames are inclosed in a casing of pliable material to provide the required storage room for clothing, and the present improvement has for its object:—

To provide a structural formation and association of parts of the top supporting frame of a demountable wardrobe, adapted to receive and support in a suspended manner the inclosing casing of fabric and its intermediate and lower distending and form maintaining frames or partitions, and which while affording ample and convenient support for a multiplicity of garment hangers, is adapted to fold in a compact form for shipment and storage, all as will hereinafter more fully appear.

In the accompanying drawing:—

Figure 1, is a perspective view illustrating the preferred form of the present invention in an erected condition.

Fig. 2, is a plan view of the skeleton top and supporting frame of the structure.

Fig. 3, is a front view of the same.

Fig. 4, is a plan view of a skeleton intermediate or bottom frame of the wardrobe.

Like reference numerals indicate like parts in the several views.

Referring to the drawing, 1, 2, and 3 designate a plurality of skeleton frames of metal or like rigid material, usually of the rectangular form shown, and arranged in vertical spaced relation to each other to constitute the top, intermediate and lower connecting and distending means for the inclosing wall or casing now to be described.

4 designates the wall or casing of the wardrobe, of woven or other pliable material, and secured to the frames, 1, 2, 3, in any usual and suitable manner to form in connection with said frames a closed compartment for the storage of garments. Said walls or casing 4 is provided with the usual front entry or opening, which is usually provided with a closure curtain of woven or like fabric, and fastened in place by any usual fastening means.

In the present improvement, 5 designates attaching plates or strips of metal or like material formed with orifices of a key-hole form and adapted for engagement with headed studs or screws on the wall of an apartment or the like, to aid in supporting the upper and main frame 1 in the proper elevated position above the floor. The attaching strips 5 are usually two in number and are pivotally attached at their mid-length to the rear rail or bar 1′ of the upper frame 1 aforesaid, so that when a compact folded condition of said frame is desired the attaching strips can be folded parallel to the rear rail 1′ as illustrated in dotted lines in Fig. 2.

6 designates a longitudinal skeleton member, preferably of the rectangular form shown, pivotally secured to the side bars or rails 1″ of the frame and at the mid-depth of said frame, so as to be capable of being folded down into parallel and compact relation to said frame 1 as illustrated in dotted lines in Fig. 2, when the parts are in a folded condition for storage or transportation. The lower rail 6′ of the frame 6, provides a horizontal supporting track for the suspension of a plurality of garment hangers within the compartment of the wardrobe.

7 designates a hook secured at the mid-length of the upper bar 6″ of the frame 6, and preferably extending to and attached to the companion lever bar 6′ with a view to a more substantial arrangement of parts. The hook 7 is adapted for engagement with an eye bolt or the like fixed in the ceiling or other elevated portion of the room or closet in which the wardrobe is arranged.

Having thus fully described my said invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. In a folding wardrobe structure of the type described, an upper and main frame of a rectangular skeleton form, and a suspension frame of a rectangular skeleton form pivotally secured to said main frame at the midwidth of the same and provided with an upwardly extending suspending hook said suspension member being adapted to fold into parallel and compact relation to said main frame.

2. In a folding wardrobe structure of the type described, an upper and main frame of a skeleton form, and a suspension frame pivotally secured to said main frame and provided with an upwardly extending suspending hook, said suspension member being adapted to fold into parallel and compact relation to said main frame, and auxiliary supporting strips pivotally attached to the rear side of said main frame and provided with attaching orifices of a key hole form.

Signed at Chicago, Illinois, this 7th day of January, 1921.

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