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HANGERS FOR GARMENTS.

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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.



Witnesses.

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IMPROVEMENT IN HANGERS FOR GARMENTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS HELLMANN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hangers for Garments, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 represents a face view, and Fig. 2 a longitudinal section.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to a hanger for garments, which is composed of a main layer, an illuminating layer, and a perforated covering layer, so that while by the main layer the required strength is imparted to the hanger, by means of the illuminating layer and the perforated covering layer any desired name, character, or design can be produced on the face of the hanger.

In the drawing, the letter A designates my hanger, which is made of three layers, *a b c*. The main layer *a* forms the body of my hanger, and it is composed of one or more thicknesses of leather, or other suitable material of sufficient strength for the purpose. The middle layer *b* is made of metal leaf, or other equivalent material capable of illuminating the perforations in the outer or covering layer *c*. In the example shown in the drawing, the perforations represent the word "Centennial;" but it is obvious that said perforations

may be varied to represent other words, characters, or design.

When the three layers *a b c* have been united, the word or characters represented by the perforations in the outer layer *c* are illuminated, so that they are clearly distinguished, and a hanger for garments is produced which has a novel appearance, and which can be used to indicate the name of the owner of a garment or the manufacturer, and which is of superior strength and durability.

It is obvious that for the middle or illuminating layer *b*, a coat of paint or enamel may be substituted; or, in other words, the inner surface of the main layer *a* may be colored, so as to illuminate the perforations in the layer *c*.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A hanger for garments, composed of a main layer, *a*, an illuminating layer, *b*, and a perforated outer layer, *c*, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 6th day of March, 1876.

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