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CLOTHES HANGER.

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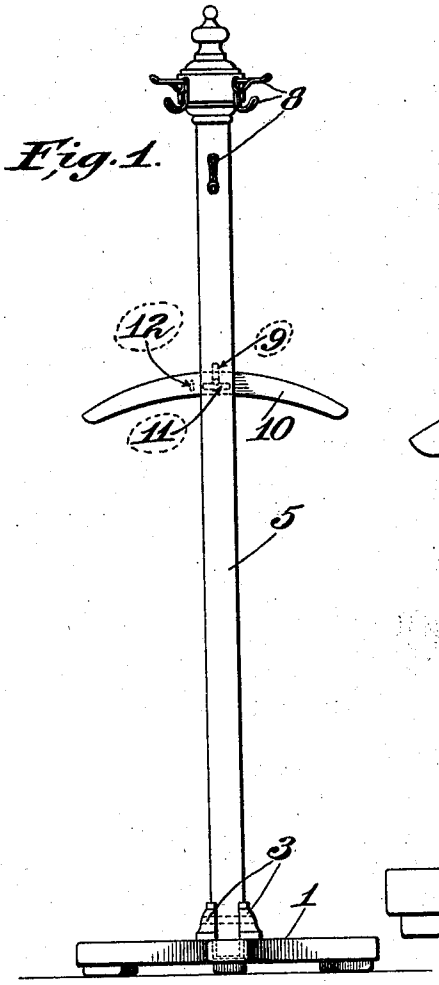

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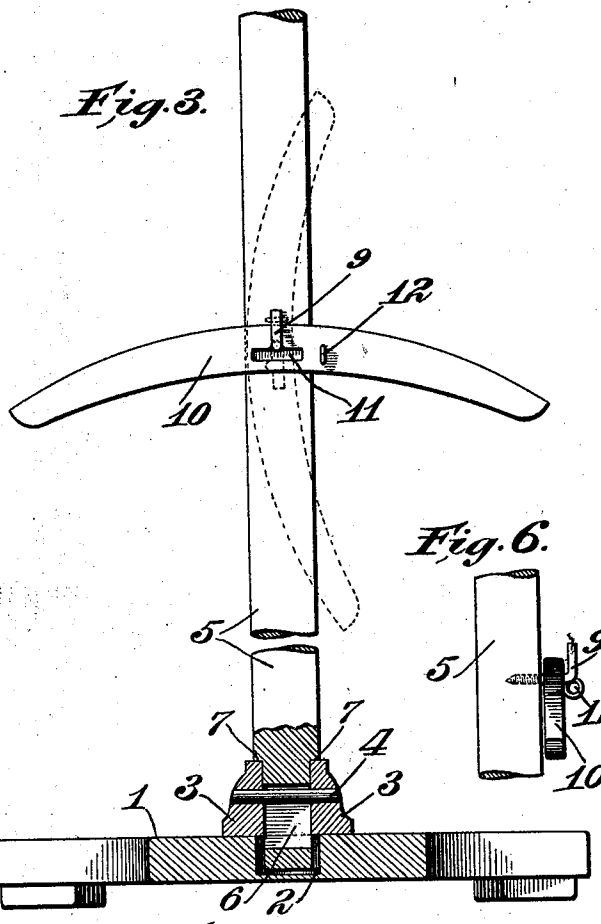

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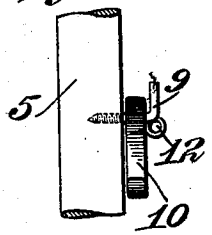

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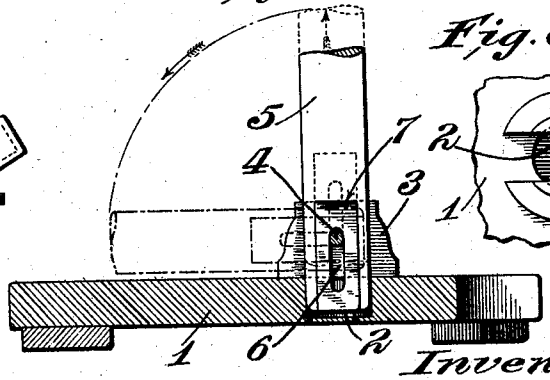

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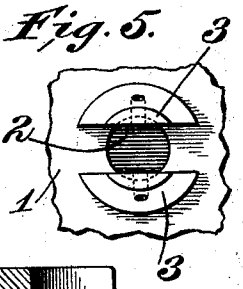

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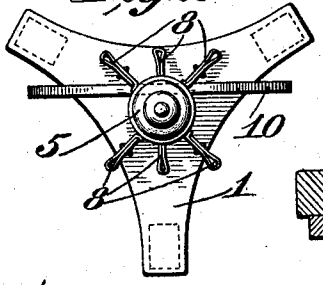

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CLOTHES-HANGER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EDWARD A. FARISH, residing at St. Louis, Missouri, and EDWARD W. McCLURE, residing at Quincy, Adams county, Illinois, citizens of the United States, have jointly invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Hangers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of our improved clothes-hanger. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is an enlarged vertical view, partly in section. Fig. 4 is a vertical view, partly in section, taken at right angles to Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is a top plan view of the base with the standard removed, and Fig. 6 is a detail side elevational view.

This invention relates to a new and useful improvement in clothes-hangers, commonly known as "trees," the object being to construct the device in such manner that the standard or tree section may be folded on the base, so as to enable the device to be stored away under a bed, couch, &c.

With this object in view the invention consists in the construction, arrangement, and combination of the several parts, all as will be hereinafter described and afterward pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, 1 indicates a base having a seat 2 in its upper face, on the sides of which are arranged blocks 3. 4 indicates a guide-pin passing through these blocks.

5 indicates a post having its lower end reduced or provided with flat faces, so as to fit snugly between the blocks 3, said lower end being also slotted at 6 to receive the pin 4. The standard is preferably made circular, so that the formation of the flat faces produces shoulders 7, designed to coöperate with the upper faces of the blocks 3. The seat 2 is of the same diameter as the diameter of the standard, whereby when the standard is in its home position it is rigidly held in place by the blocks 3 and the side walls of the seat 2. The upper end of the post may be appropriately ornamented and is provided with garment-supports 8 of any preferred construction.

9 indicates an L-shaped hook carried by the standard for supporting a coat-hanger 10. This coat-hanger is provided with a slot 11, approximately at its center, which enables its introduction upon the hook 9, there being a lateral enlargement of the slot to receive the hook and balance the hanger when in its open position, as shown in Fig. 3.

12 indicates a screw-eye carried by the hanger 10, so that when said hanger is moved to the position shown by dotted lines in Fig. 3 the eye 12 engages the hook 9 and secures the hanger 10 in its folded position.

To operate the device, assuming that the standard is in an upright position and it is desired to store the hanger under the bed or similar article of furniture, the standard is raised from the seat 2 in the base, the slot 6 permitting such upward movement, and then the standard 2 is folded to the horizontal position shown in dotted lines in Fig. 4, in which position the device may be stored away. To arrange the parts in their operative position, it is only necessary to lift the standard to its vertical position until its lower end alines with the seat 2, when by a slight downward pressure the lower end of the standard may be forced into the seat and the hanger is ready to receive the garments. The coat-hanger 10 may remain in its folded position while the standard is vertical or it may be lifted, so as to disengage the eye 12 from the hook and be swung to its horizontal position. When the standard is folded, it is desirable to have the hanger 10 secured in place, so that it will not accidentally become disengaged from the hook 9, and to effect this we prefer to have the eye 12 snugly fit on the end of the hook 9.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a clothes-hanger, the combination with a suitable base having a seat, of blocks secured to said base and on each side of said seat, a standard having a slot in its end, a pin passing through said blocks and through said standard whereby a pivotal connection is provided between the base and the standard, said pivotal connection permitting sliding engagement between the parts, and shoulders carried by the standard for engagement with the blocks to hold the standard rigid

with relation to the base; substantially as described.

2. A clothes-hanger comprising a base having a seat in its upper face, blocks arranged on opposite sides of the seat, a post having its lower end inserted in the seat and snugly fitting between the blocks, said lower end being slotted, a pin in the blocks and projecting through said slot, shoulders formed on said post and coöperating with the upper faces of the blocks, and a coat-hanger carried by said post; substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses, this 11th day of February, 1905.

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