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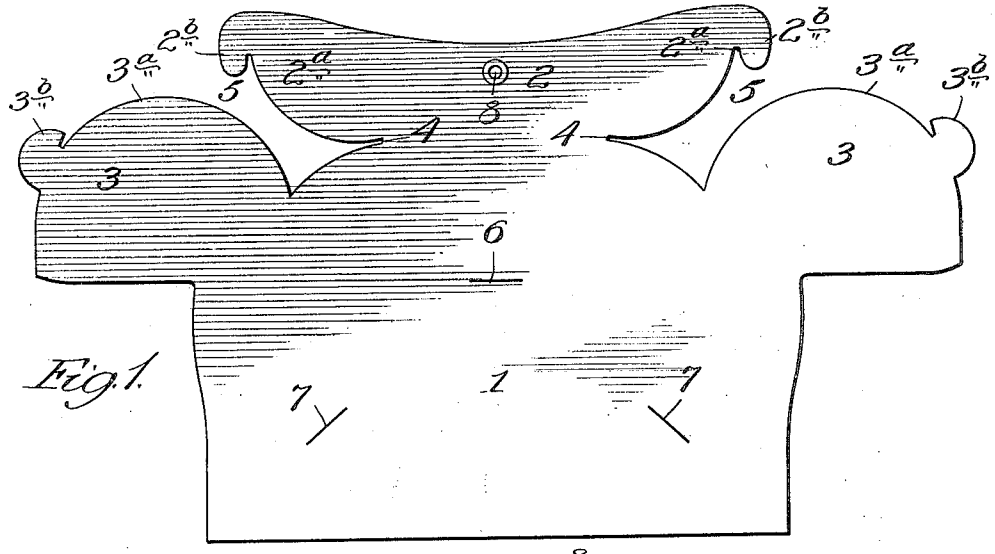
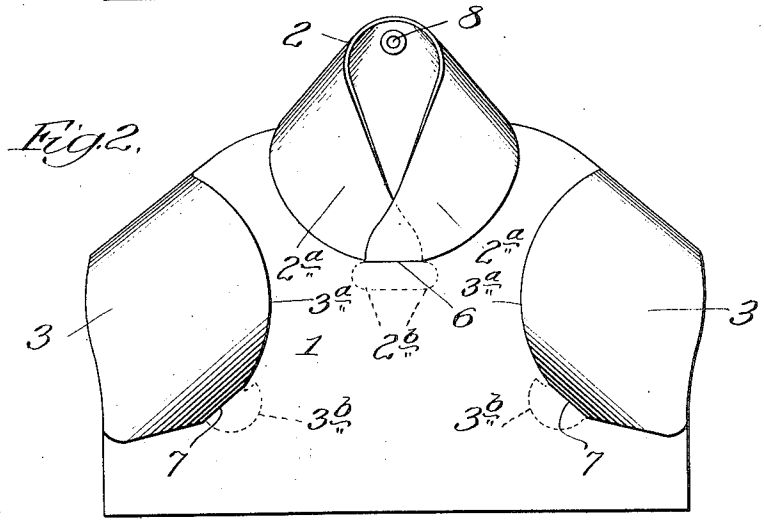


Fig. 1.



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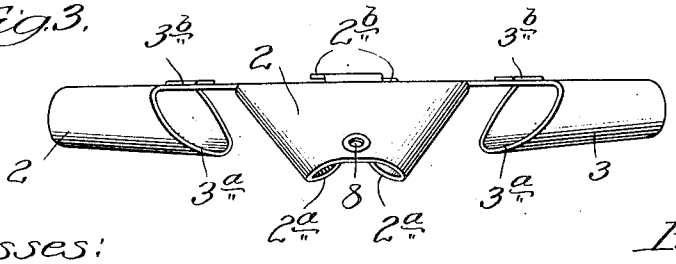

Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIDNEY B. CAHN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Combination Forms and Hangers for Coats, &c., of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates particularly to a device adapted to serve as a form or hanger for coats, or the like, such device being particularly useful in preserving the form of a coat when it is boxed or packed for delivery or transportation.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a simple device for the purpose indicated which can be manufactured at very small cost and which is capable of serving a highly useful purpose in packing coats or other such like articles of wearing apparel.

The invention is illustrated in its preferred embodiment in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a blank, cut from card-board or other somewhat stiff but flexible material, and capable of being folded or curved to produce the form shown in Figs. 2 and 3; Fig. 2 a front view of the device after the collar and shoulder forming wings have been curved and secured in place; and Fig. 3, a plan view of the device in the form shown in Fig. 2.

In the form illustrated, the device comprises a body-portion 1, a neck-portion 2, and shoulder-forming wings 3.

The neck-forming portion 2 is joined to the upper portion of the body 1 by a relatively narrow connecting-part 4; and the wing-portions 2^a of the collar part 2 are separated from the shoulder-forming wings 3 by recesses 5. The wings 2^a are provided at their extremities with locking-tongues or fastening-devices 2^b adapted to interlock with a transverse slot 6 disposed near the central portion of the body 1. The shoulder-forming wings 3 have curved upper edges 3^a and are equipped at their upper outer corner portions with locking-tongues or fastening-devices 3^b adapted to interlock with obliquely-disposed slots 7 in the body-portion near the lower corners thereof. The collar-portion 2 is provided centrally with an eyelet 8 adapted to serve as a means for hanging the form up.

To convert the blank into the form shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the wings 2^a of the collar-portion are curved forwardly and the locking-tongues 2^b are caused to interlock with the slot 6; and the shoulder-forming wings 3 are curved inwardly and downwardly, and the locking tongues 3^a are caused to interlock with the oblique slots 7. The slots are so disposed that when the wings are thus curved and secured, they are caused to bow forwardly, thus producing the hollow neck-portion and the hollow shoulder-portions indicated in Figs. 2 and 3. Thus, a considerable body is given to the device at the neck and shoulder portions, the curvature being suitable to conform to the neck and shoulder portions of a coat.

In use, the form is slipped into the coat, and the coat is buttoned about it, the sleeves of the coat being folded across the body-portion of the coat. The coat, with the form in it, may then be placed in a box, ready for delivery. When the coat is removed from the box, the form may be used as a hanger, in which capacity it serves as a substitute for the wooden or wire hangers which are commonly employed for such purpose.

The device described may be manufactured at such small cost as to enable it to be given to customers by tailors, clothiers, etc.

The foregoing detailed description has been given for clearness of understanding only, and no unnecessary limitations should be understood therefrom.

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

A coat-form comprising a body-portion equipped with a neck-forming part and shoulder-forming parts separated by recesses, the neck-forming part having wings equipped with locking-tongues, and the shoulder-forming parts having their outer

upper corners equipped with locking-tongues, the body portion being provided at some distance below the neck-portion with a transverse slot and being provided near the lower corners with oblique slots, the locking-tongues of the collar-wings being interlocked with said first-named slot, and the locking-tongues of the shoulder-forming wings being interlocked with said oblique slots.

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