

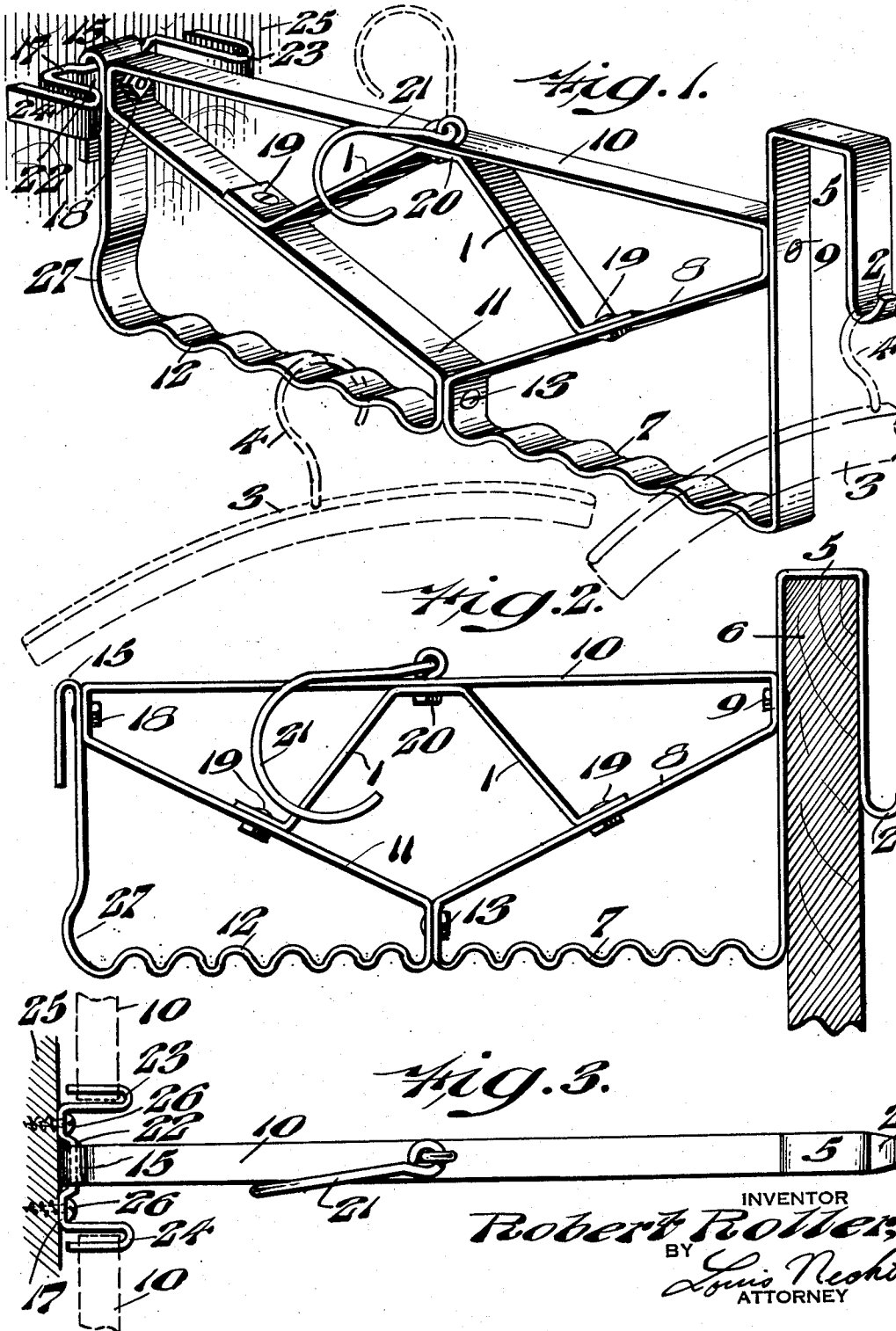
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My invention relates to a new and useful multiple master hanger and it relates more particularly to a hanger which, in addition to being adapted to support a large number of garments draped over separate hangers, is also capable of being mounted on or suspended from a great variety of supports without the necessity of driving any special hooks into the walls or wood-work, thus making it possible to use my novel hanger in any part of the house, or even in an automobile.

My invention still further relates to a hanger of this character, the construction of which permits of selective suspension of the garments thereon, that is, it permits the suspension of a garment, singled out for wear, repair, or other attention, from the other garments suspended on said hanger without any disarrangement or confusion of such garments.

My invention still further relates to a hanger of this character which is of a compact construction and partly foldable to permit its easy insertion in a bag or suitcase or other limited places.

My invention still further relates to a hanger of this character which is of an extremely simple, durable construction, whereby its initial cost is greatly reduced, and whereby all expense of maintenance and repair is entirely eliminated.

In the accompanying drawing:

Fig. 1 represents a perspective view of a hanger embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 represents a side elevation of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 represents a plan view of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawing in which like reference characters indicate like parts, it will be seen from Fig. 1 that, except for the reinforcing bracket 1, my master hanger is formed of a single metal strip deflected to form the end hook 2 on which may be suspended the garment-hanger 3 by means of a conventional hook 4. The end-hook 2 merges into the substantially inverted U-shaped hook 5 which, as seen in Fig. 2, adequately engages a door, window, or edge of a drawer 6, etc. One of the limbs of the inverted U-shaped hook 5 extends downwardly to form the horizontal, corrugated bar 7 to provide depressions in which the hooks 4 of other garment-hangers 3 may be seated, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1. The horizontal, corrugated bar 7 is deflected at an acute angle upon itself to form the limb 8 which is suitably secured by spot-welding, screws, or otherwise, as at 9, to the adjacent limb of the U-shaped portion 5. Beyond the point of fastening 9 the limb 8 extends to form the upper-supporting horizontal member 10, the other end of

which is deflected upon itself also at an acute angle to form the limb 11 which corresponds to the limb 8. The limb 11 is bent around itself in a reversed direction from the limb 8 to form the complementary, horizontal corrugated arm 12, the junction of the limb 11 with the arm 12 being secured to the junction of the arm 7 with the limb 8 by a screw, spot-welding, or the like 13. The arm 12 extends upwardly to form the inverted U-shaped hook 15 which is adapted to engage one of the recesses of the bracket 17. The junction of the upper arm 10 and the limb 11 is suitably secured to the adjacent limb of the U-shaped hook 15 as at 18. The reinforcing bracket 1 can be made in one or more pieces but, as shown in the drawing, it is formed of two limbs the ends of which are deflected and secured to the limbs 8 and 11, as at 19, and the junction of the limbs of the bracket 1 is suitably secured to the upper supporting bar 10, as at 20. 21 designates a hook which passes through and is pivotally related to the upper supporting arm 10, so that the hook 21 may assume the position shown in dotted lines when the entire hanger is suspended therefrom, or so that it may be deflected into an out-of-the-way position as shown in solid lines in Fig. 1 when it is not in use. The bracket 17 is also preferably formed of one piece and is provided with the wells or seats 22, 23 and 24 and is suitably secured to any desired support 25 by the screws, or the like, 26. If it is desired to stand the hanger at right angles to the support 25, the U-shaped hook 15 thereof engages the center seat or well 22 and the hump 27, formed at the junction of the arm 12 with the adjacent limb of the hook 15, serves to maintain the hanger (viewed horizontally with respect to Fig. 1) at a right angle to the support 25. In other words, the hump 27, which is of a depth or thickness equal to the thickness of the U-shaped hook 15, makes the end of the hanger contacting the support 25 flush therewith. If it is desired to support the hanger in a position parallel to the support 25, the U-shaped hook 15 is engaged with either of the wells 23 or 24 to assume the position shown in dotted lines in Fig. 3.

The use of my novel hanger is as follows:

When it is desired to iron some garments in any given room of the house, the hanger is mounted on a door, window, shelf, ledge, drawer-edge, or other support, 6, by means of the relatively large U-shaped hook 5, and the garments ironed or otherwise treated are suspended by other garment-hangers 3 in the depressions intervening between the corrugations in the com-

plementary bars 7 and 12. If one of the garments needs special attention by way of inspection, of repair, or if it is to be singled out for immediate use, such garment is suspended from the hook 2. After all the ironing has been done, the hanger is then carried by the upper supporting arm 10, and by means of the hook 21 is suspended in the clothes-closet or by means of the hook 15 it is suspended from the bracket 17 in any of the three positions shown in Fig. 3. Similarly, the hook 5 can engage a partly raised window in an automobile and thus permit the transportation of several garments from a cleaning establishment for delivery or other action.

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

1. A device of the character stated comprising, in combination, a bracket adapted to be secured to a support and having recesses formed therein at an angle to each other, a master hanger having one end thereof deflected to engage one of said recesses when said hanger is parallel to said support and the other of said recesses when said hanger is at an angle to said support, and the other end thereof deflected to engage the upper edge of a door or the like for temporarily supporting said master hanger when the same is not supported by said bracket.
2. A master garment hanger comprising an integral strip deflected upon itself to form two substantially triangular contiguous formations and an upper supporting bar the bases of said triangular formations constituting an undulated lower supporting bar from which individual gar-

ment hangers are suspended, one end of said strip being deflected into a relatively small hook for engaging a wall bracket, and the other end of said strip being deflected into a relatively large hook for engaging the upper edge of a door or the like, there being a hump formed in the vertical limb of the triangular formation adjacent to said relatively small hook for maintaining said garment hanger in a horizontal position.

3. A master garment hanger including a supporting frame, a bottom horizontal bar, carried by said frame, for receiving the hooked ends of separate garment hangers, and a hook formed on one end of said master hanger in combination with a bracket adapted to be secured to a support and having recesses formed therein at an angle to each other, one of said recesses being adapted to be engaged by said hook when said master hanger is parallel to said support, and the other of said recesses being adapted to be engaged by said hook when said master hanger is at an angle to said support.

4. A master hanger comprising a supporting frame, a bottom horizontal bar, carried by said frame and adapted to receive the hooked ends of individual hangers, a relatively small hook formed on one end of said hanger adapted to engage a recess in a supporting bracket and a relatively large hook on the other end of said master hanger for engaging the upper edge of a door or the like for temporarily supporting the master hanger when the latter is not supported by said bracket.

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