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FIG. 1.

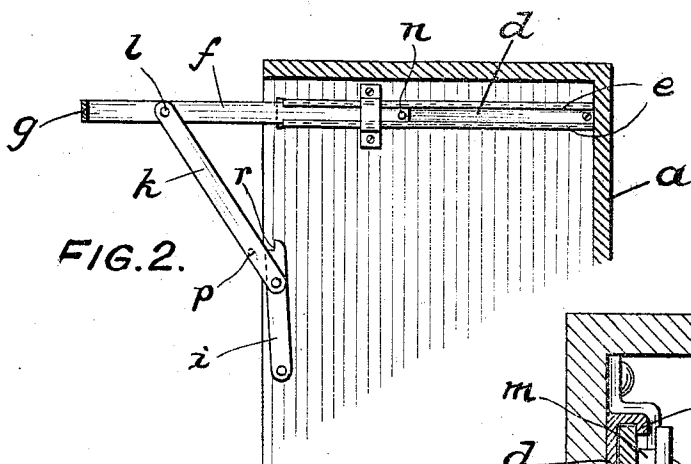
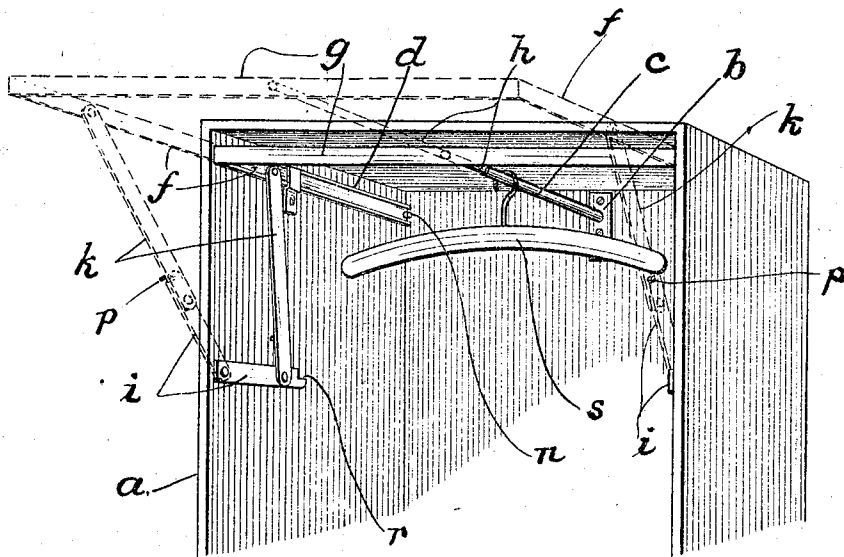


FIG. 2.

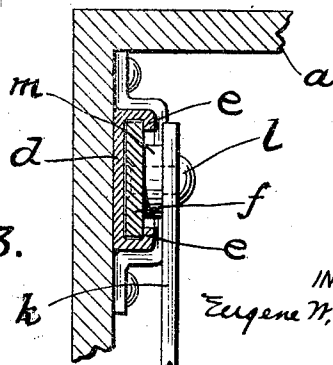


FIG. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUGENE W. HAWLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Garment-Supporters for Wardrobe-Trunks, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

The invention has for its object to provide an extensible garment-supporter attachment for wardrobe trunks or other clothes receptacles which shall be simple in construction and which, when moved from its retracted to its extended position, shall possess maximum strength and rigidity.

In the drawings, which represent a preferred embodiment of the invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view, Fig. 2 a vertical section, and Fig. 3 an enlarged section through one of the side guides and slides.

a represents the receptacle to which the attachment is applied, and which, for example, may be assumed to be one compartment of a wardrobe trunk. To the rear wall of the receptacle, near its top wall, is secured a plate *b*, to which is secured a horizontally-extending guide *c* of tubular form. This tube extends outward from the rear toward the front of the receptacle. Along the end walls of the receptacle, preferably at about the height of the tube, are secured horizontal guides *d*, each of which is of channel shape, as shown most clearly in Fig. 3, and is provided with flanges *e* along its upper and lower edges, the construction of the guides being thus adapted to retain therein the slides *f* while permitting the latter to move freely in and out. The outer ends of the slides *f*, when the slides are in their inner or retracted positions, are preferably nearly or quite flush with the outer ends of the guides and are connected one with the other by the cross-bar *g*. Secured to the center of the cross-bar *g*, and extending inward therefrom, is a horizontal rod *h*, which telescopes in the tube *c*.

To the inner side-wall of the receptacle near each of its front edges is pivoted one end of a lever *i*, to which in turn is pivoted one end of a lever *k* whose opposite end is pivoted on the corresponding slide *f*. The pivotal attachment of lever *k* to slide *f* is effected by means of a rivet or bolt *l* extend-

ing loosely through the lever and secured to the slide. The lever is spaced from the slide by means of a washer *m* on the bolt.

It will be understood that an outward pull on the cross-bar *g* causes withdrawal of the slides *f* and rod *h*. The outward movement is limited by pins *n* on the inner ends of the slides abutting against angle-straps *o* secured to the end walls of the receptacle and overlying the respective guides *d*. In this outward movement of the parts named, the levers *i* and *k* are moved from the angular position shown in full lines in Fig. 1 to the parallel position shown in dotted lines in the same figure. The parts are so proportioned that this position of parallelism of the levers *i* and *k* is reached at the limit of outward movement of the slides *g*. At this time, a pin *p* on the lever *k* settles into a shoulder *r* formed on the free end of the lever *i*, which engagement independently serves to limit the outward movement of the slides and coöperates to impart rigidity to the entire movable frame and hold it firmly in its extended position.

To indicate the use to which the attachment is put, a garment-hanger *s* is shown as suspended from the tube *c*. A number of similar garment-hangers may be so supported and may be moved out to and along the rod *h* when the sliding frame is in its extended position. To retract the sliding frame, the levers *i* and *k* are moved out of parallel relation by a slight blow with the hand, and the frame may then be moved inward by a gentle push against the cross-bar *g*.

Having now fully described my invention, what I claim and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. In a garment-supporter attachment, the combination with a receptacle, of side guides and a guide between the side guides, a frame slidably engaging said guides, and levers pivotally attached to each other and pivoted respectively to the side-walls of the receptacle and to the sliding frame and adapted to be moved from an angular to a parallel relation in the outward movement of the frame.

2. In a garment supporter, the combination with a receptacle, of a horizontal tube secured to the receptacle and extending outward from the rear wall thereof, horizontal guides secured to the receptacle and extending along the side walls thereof, a rod slid-

able in said tube, slides movable in said guides, a front cross-bar connecting the guides and secured to the rod, levers pivotally attached to each other and pivoted respectively to the side-walls of the receptacle and to the slides, and a pin in one lever adapted to engage a shoulder formed in its companion lever in the outward movement of the sliding parts.

10 3. In a garment supporter, the combination with a receptacle, of horizontal channel-shaped guides, each of oblong cross-section slotted along one flat side and extending outward from the rear of the receptacle, a
15 horizontal tube arranged between the guides

and extending out from the rear of the receptacle, said tubes and guides being fixed relatively to the receptacle, a rod telescoping in said tube, flat bars having cross-sections conforming to those of the channel-shaped guides and telescoping therein, and a front cross-bar connecting the guides and secured to the rod. 20

In testimony of which invention, I have hereunto set my hand, at Philadelphia, on this 10th day of June, 1911. 25

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