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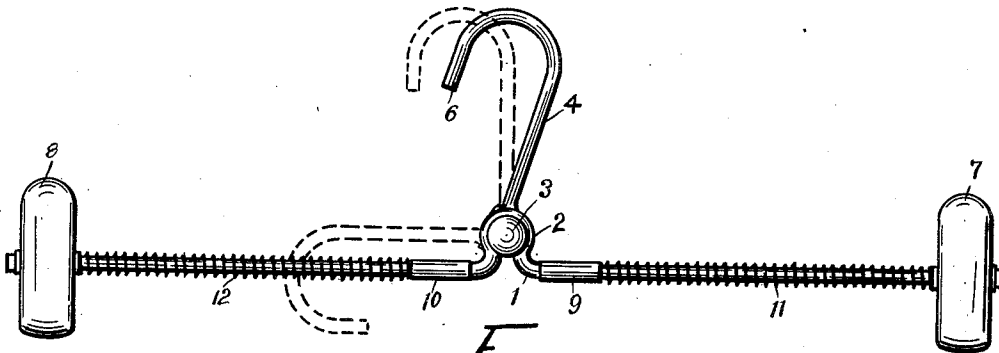


Fig. 1.

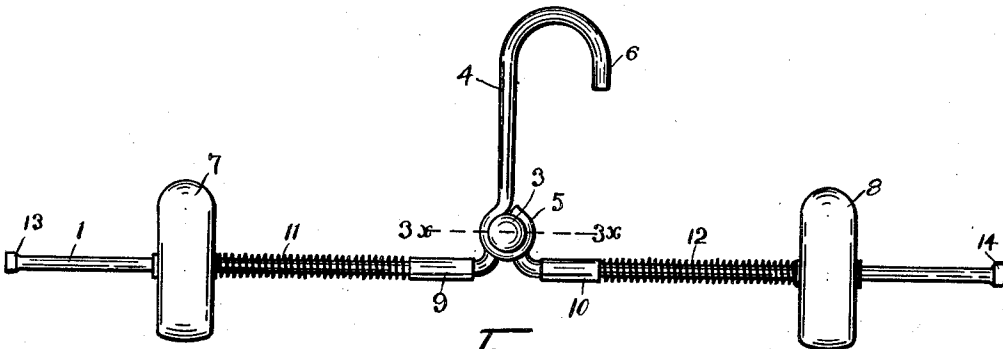


Fig. 2.

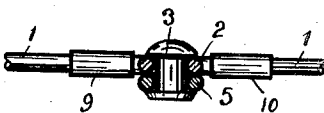


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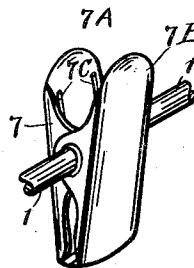


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUST E. BLUHM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment Hangers and Stretchers, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a trousers and skirt hanger and stretcher.

Another object of this invention is to construct this device of a small number of economically made parts.

Another object of the invention is to make the hanger and stretcher easily adjustable to garments of different sizes.

These and other objects of the invention will be fully illustrated in the drawings, described in the specification and pointed out in the claims at the end thereof.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved garment hanger and stretcher, showing the clamps at the ends of the frame. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the hanger and stretcher, the view being taken on the side opposite to that shown in Fig. 1, with the clamps moved inwardly from the ends. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on the line 3x-3x of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one of the clamps.

In the accompanying drawings, 1 indicates the frame of my improved hanger. This frame is made of a single piece of wire which is bent at a point intermediate its length to form an eye 2. In this eye 2 is provided a rivet or pintle 3. Mounted to swing upon the pintle 3 is a hook 4 which has an eye 5 formed in one end thereof, embracing the pintle, and has the other end thereof down turned as indicated at 6. By means of this hook the hanger may be readily suspended.

Mounted to slide upon the frame 1 are the clamps 7 and 8, these clamps being similar and being illustrated in perspective in Fig. 4. They are composed of the two halves 7^a and 7^b which are pivotally mounted upon the frame 1 and are held yieldingly together at their lower end by means of the spring 7^c.

Mounted upon the frame 1 are the ferrules or sleeves 9 and 10. Between the sleeve 9 and clamp 7 and the sleeve 10 and clamp 8 are provided the helical springs 11 and 12.

These springs normally expand to hold the clamps at the end of the frame, as is illustrated in Fig. 1. The clamps however can be moved inwardly, compressing the spring, and in this way the device can be adjusted to support garments of various sizes. The clamps are held in position upon the frame 1 by expanding the ends thereof as is illustrated at 13 and 14.

My improved garment supporter can be used as follows: The trousers can be fastened in the clamps 7 and 8 with the trousers preferably inverted, the expansion of the spring serving to stretch the trousers and hold them in shape. The hook 6 can be used for the purpose of suspending the supporter and the article of clothing attached thereto.

For the purpose of transporting my supporter, the hook 4 can be turned down to the dotted line position illustrated in Fig. 1, in which the supporter occupies comparatively little room, making it the more easily stowed away in the baggage.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and patentable is as follows:

1. A garment hanger and stretcher comprising a frame made of a single piece of wire having an eye bent up at an intermediate point therein, a pintle in said eye, a hook pivotally mounted on said pintle, clamps mounted to slide upon the outer ends of said frame, and springs interposed between said clamps and said eye and tending to exert a constant outward pressure on the clamps.

2. A garment hanger and stretcher comprising a frame made of a single piece of wire having an eye bent up at an intermediate point therein, a pintle in said eye, a hook pivotally mounted on said pintle, clamps mounted to slide upon the outer ends of said frame, springs interposed between said clamps and said eye and tending to exert a constant outward pressure on the clamps, and ferrules interposed between the inner ends of said springs and said eye.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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