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COMBINED HAT AND CLOTHES RACK.

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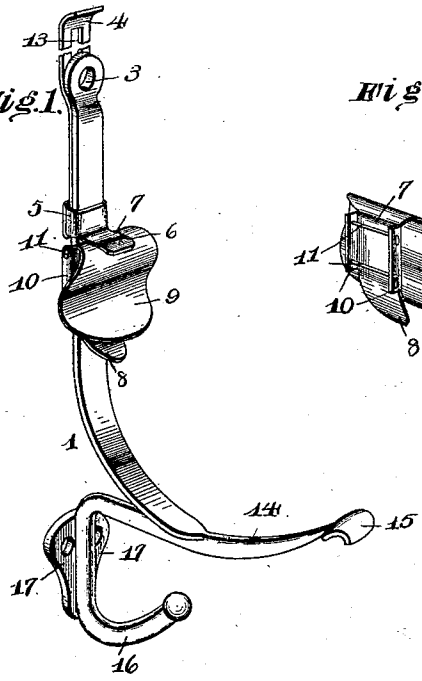

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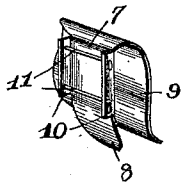

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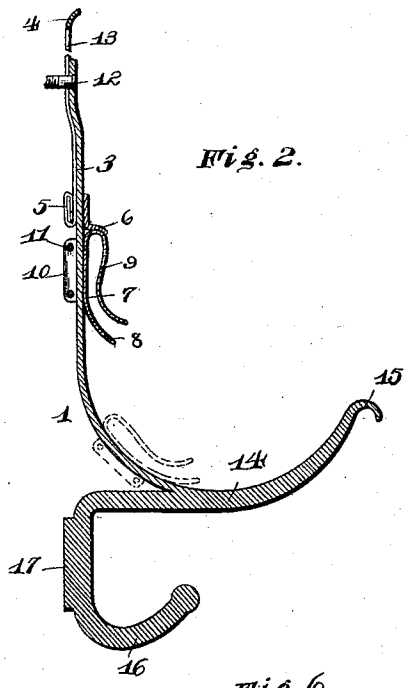

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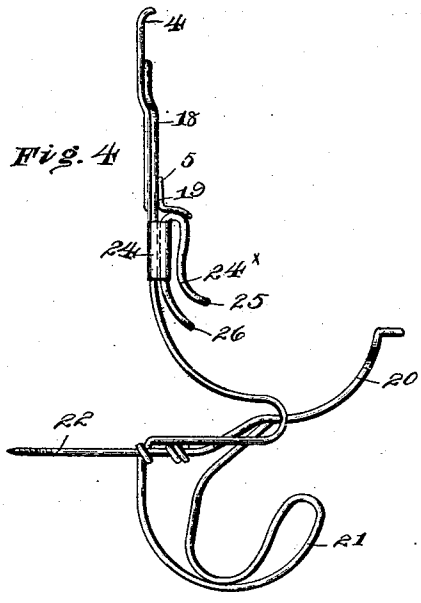

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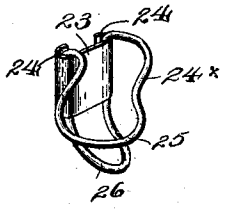

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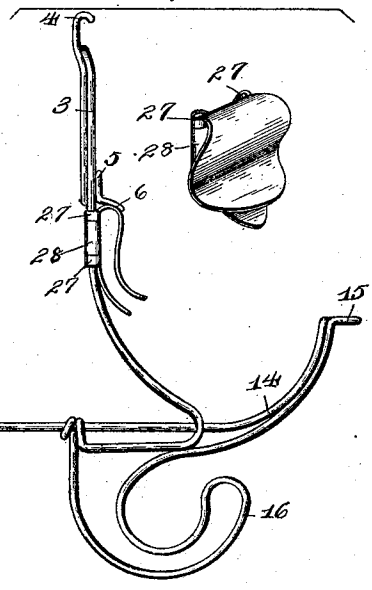

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM L. COFFEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Leroy, in the county of McLean and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Combined Hat and Clothes Rack, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combined hat and garment rack, and has for its object to provide means for engaging a hat-brim and holding a hat in place against accidental displacement, and with this object in view the invention consists of the construction and arrangement of the parts as will be more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved device shown constructed of solid metal. Fig. 2 is a central transverse section of the device shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the improved attachment removed. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of a hook made of wire and having the improved device applied thereto. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the detached parts of the improved device shown in Fig. 4. Fig. 6 is a side elevation of another wire hook, showing a different form of the attachment applied thereto and detached and shown to one side in detail perspective.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, the numeral 1 designates the main hook, which, as shown in Fig. 1, is made of solid sheet or cast metal, having a straight arm 3 at the upper part thereof. On the said arm 3 is adjustably mounted a slide 4, having backwardly-extending ears 5, which are bent over to hold the slide in proper relation to the arm 3. Integrally formed with the lower portion of the slide 4 is a tongue 6, bent outwardly and slightly curved. The slide 4 may be adjusted vertically on the arm 3 as the ears 5 thereof embrace the said arm 3 in such manner as to permit an adjustment, and the tongue 6 of said slide acts as a stop to limit the vertical adjustment of a supplemental slide that will now be referred to. Adjustably mounted on the arm 3 is a supplemental slide 7, having an outwardly-bent lower end 8, adapted to be limited in its upper movement by the said tongue 6. The upper part of the slide 7 is broadened and extended downward in the form of a lip 9, and with the lower end 8 is adapted to receive and hold a hat-brim. The rear portion of the slide 7 is formed with ears 10 which embrace the sides of the arm 3, and are connected by cross-wires 11 which bear against the back portion of the said arm 3 with such a degree of tightness as to prevent too loose play and cause a retention of the said slide 7 when adjusted. The upper end of the arm 3 has a screw 12 passed therethrough and through a slot 13 in said slide, and forms a means of securing the entire device in proper position. The slot 13 of the slide 7 permits proper adjustment of the said slide over the screw 12. The lower portion of the arm 3 is provided with a hook 14, having a broadened end 15, and is adapted for a hat-hook, and below said hook is another hook 16 that is adapted for use as a garment hook. Suitable apertured ears are located between the hooks 14 and 16 to form another means of fastening.

In Fig. 4 a hook is shown as made of a piece of wire, and is formed with an upper arm 18 consisting of two upwardly-extending wires 19, with a space between the same. The said wires 19 are bent forward at the lower portions of said arm 18, and then backward and again forward to provide hooks 20 and 21, and then backward again to form a securing-shank 22. In this instance the supplemental slide consists of a supporting slide 23, of sheet-metal with looped opposite sides 24, in which is rigidly mounted a wire frame $24^{\times}$, constructed of one piece of wire, as shown, and embodying an upper overhanging extension 25 and a lower forwardly-bent portion 26, between which the hat-rim is held. In Fig. 6 a similar wire hook is shown, and in this instance the supplemental slide is formed of sheet-metal similarly to that shown in Fig. 1, with the exception that additional side-ears 27 are constructed which embrace the wires of the upper arm in addition to ears 28 between said ears 27, and of greater extent than the latter.

In all the forms set forth, the principal feature consists of the supplemental slide.

In operation a hat is placed on the upper hook of either of the forms and the supplemental slide operated to engage the rim there-

of as stated in order to prevent the hat from being accidentally displaced from the hook.

Many advantages will arise from time to time and become apparent to those using the device, and it is obvious that many changes might be made in the details of construction aside from those set forth without in the least departing from the nature or spirit of the invention. It will be observed that the slide 7 is disposed in a different plane to the hook 14, thereby facilitating the retention of the hat on said hook and holding the same in proper position to prevent falling or disengagement thereof.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. In a hat and garment hook, the combination of a hook proper having an opening through the upper portion thereof, a slide mounted on the upper portion of the said hook and a supplemental slide, adjustably mounted on the said hook and having an overhanging upper portion and a lower forwardly-projecting part, substantially as described.

2. In a hat and garment hook, the combination of a hook proper constructed of wire, a slide mounted on the upper portion of the said hook and a supplemental slide mounted below the aforesaid slide and consisting of a wire frame having an upper overhanging portion and a lower forwardly-projecting part, substantially as described.

3. In a hat and garment hook, the combination of a stationary hook having a lower outwardly extending arm in a substantial horizontal plane, and a vertical stem extending upward therefrom, a slide mounted on the upper portion of said stem and a supplemental slide mounted on said stem below the aforesaid slide and at a plane at right angles to the plane of the aforesaid outwardly-extending arm, said slide being adjustable on the stem to and from the said arm, substantially as described.

4. In a hat and garment hook, the combination of a stationary hook having a lower outwardly-extending arm in a substantially horizontal plane, and a vertical stem rising therefrom in rear thereof, a slide applied to the back of said stem and having a stop in connection with the lower end thereof provided with an embracing portion mounted on said stem, and a supplemental slide mounted on said stem below the said stop of the aforesaid slide and comprising an outwardly-bent lower end and an upper broadened extended portion to form a lip overhanging the said outwardly-bent lower end, and said parts of the supplemental slide having rearwardly-extending ears embracing the said stem or shank, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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