

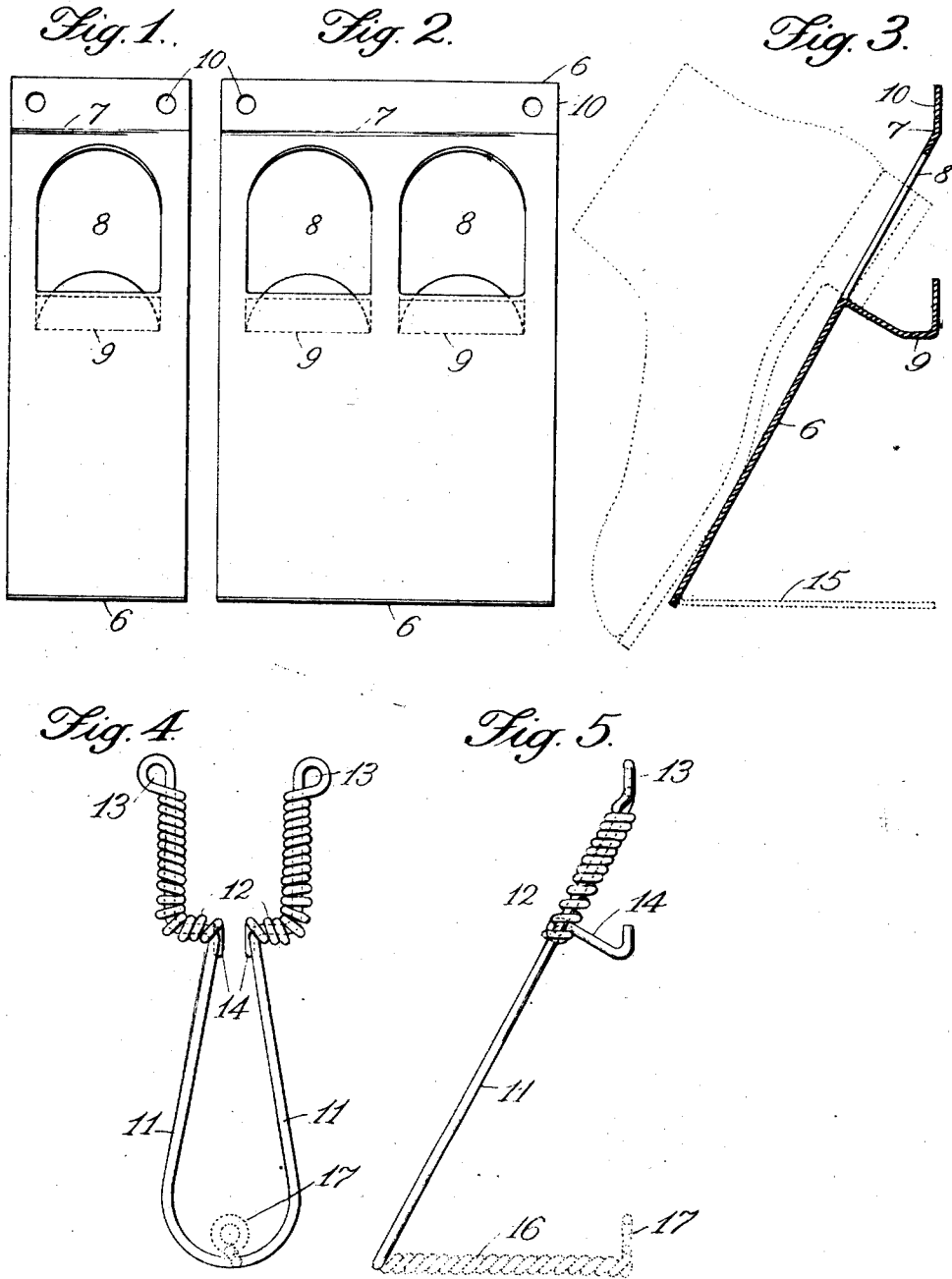
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SHOP HANGER

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SHOE HANGER.

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This invention relates to an improvement in a shoe hanger, its object being to provide very simple and inexpensive means for supporting shoes as from the wall or door of a closet or wardrobe. The new hanger is, or may be, made of one piece of metal either in sheet form or in wire form, and it has a vertical section adapted to be fastened to a wall, and a shoe supporting section inclined from the vertical and having a heel engaging ledge, preferably extending rearwardly and terminating in the plane of the vertical section against the wall.

In the accompanying drawings, Figs. 1 and 2 respectively are views of a single and a double hanger made of sheet metal in accordance with the invention; Fig. 3 is a sectional side elevation of the hanger shown in Figs. 1 and 2; and Figs 4 and 5 are respectively front and side elevations of a single hanger made of wire.

Referring to Figs. 1 to 3 particularly, the hanger consists of a sheet of metal 6, the upper portion of which is bent at 7 to form a vertical section adapted to be fastened to a wall, the main part of the hanger constituting a shoe supporting section inclined from the vertical and having a heel engaging ledge 9 extending rearwardly and terminating in the plane of the vertical section in order to rest against the wall to which the device is fastened, as by screws passing through the holes 10 in the vertical section.

The ledge 9 is formed by punching out and bending rearwardly a section of the inclined shoe supporting section. The formation of each ledge 9 leaves an aperture 8 in the shoe supporting section of the device which accommodates the heel of the shoe when it is resting on the ledge 9.

As shown in Figs. 4 and 5, a similar shoe

hanger may be made of a single length of wire so as to form, when starting from the center of the length of wire, the shoe support 11, the heel supports 12, the fastening eyes 13, and the supporting feet 14. If desired for additional strength and rigidity, a brace may also be provided at the lower end of the shoe supporting section by bending back the latter, as shown in dotted lines 15 and 16 in Figs. 3 and 5 respectively. In case wire is used, the end of this added brace 16 may be bent to form a fastening loop 17, Figs. 4 and 5. Changes and variations within the scope of the claims may be made in the structure by means of which the invention is carried into effect.

What is claimed is:

1. A shoe hanger comprising a vertical section adapted to be fastened to a wall, and a shoe supporting section inclined from the vertical and having a heel engaging ledge extending rearwardly and terminating in the plane of the vertical section.

2. A shoe hanger comprising a vertical section adapted to be fastened to a wall, and a shoe supporting section of sheet metal inclined from the vertical and having a heel engaging section punched out and bent rearwardly from the inclined section and terminating in the plane of the vertical section.

3. A shoe hanger comprising a vertical section adapted to be fastened to a wall, and a shoe supporting section inclined from the vertical and having a heel engaging section bent rearwardly from the inclined section and terminating in the plane of the vertical section.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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