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GARMENT HANGER.

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Fig. 1.

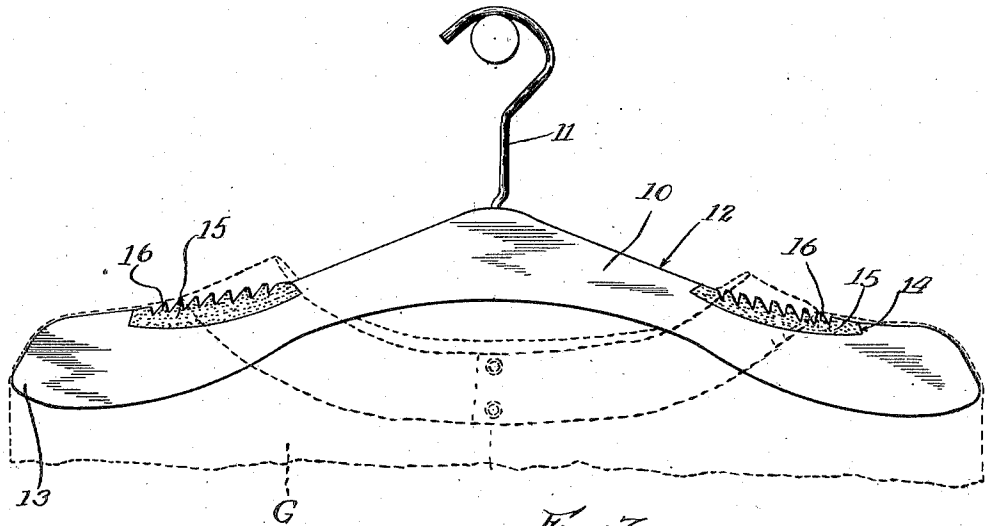

Fig. 3.

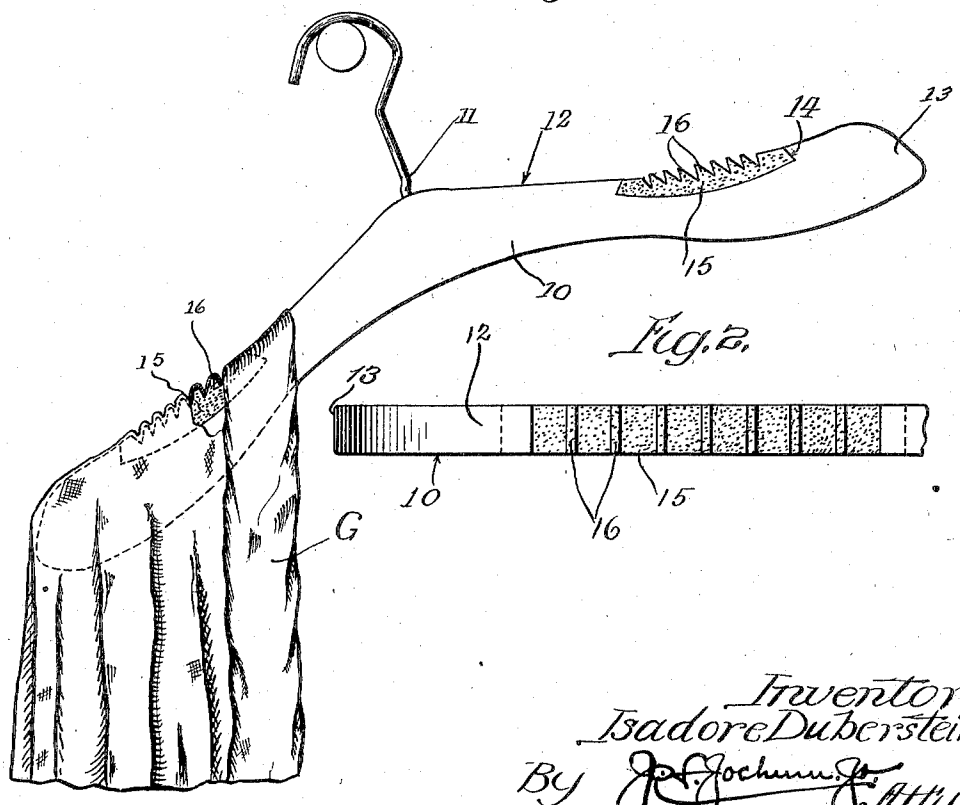

Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISADORE DUBERSTEIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in garment hangers, particularly adapted, though not necessarily limited in its use for supporting ladies' thin and flimsy skirts, and one of the objects of the invention is to provide an improved hanger of this character having a series of flexible teeth or projections extending above and across the top of and intermediate the ends of the hanger, and which teeth point inwardly and are adapted to be engaged by the garment so that in the event the garment should be accidentally detached from one end of the hanger, the flexible teeth will form extended frictional surfaces with which the garment engages, and which teeth will prevent the garment from dropping off of the hanger, and at the same time the flexible teeth will not injure a garment or skirt of the most delicate fiber.

To the attainment of these ends and the accomplishment of other new and useful objects as will appear, the invention consists in the features of novelty in substantially the construction, combination and arrangement of the several parts hereinafter more fully described and claimed and in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of this improved hanger showing in dotted lines, a skirt supported thereby.

Fig. 2 is a detail to plan view of one end of the hanger showing the series of flexible teeth.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the hanger showing the manner in which a skirt which has been detached from one end will be held from dropping off of the hanger.

The hanger 10 may be of any desired size and configuration and constructed of any suitable material, and is provided with the usual supporting hook or loop 11 intermediate its ends.

The upper surface 12 of the hanger at any point, preferably adjacent the ends 13, is cut away or recessed as at 14 and arranged within these recesses are elements 15 constructed of any suitable flexible material such as rubber or the like, and may be held in position in any desired or suitable manner. These elements 15 are preferably of a size in cross section so as to stand flush with the sides of the body of the hanger, and the upper surfaces of the elements are shaped to form teeth 16 extending transversely of the hanger and are spaced from each other in a direction lengthwise of the hanger. The teeth project for any desired distance above the upper surface 12 of the hanger body 10 and the series of teeth adjacent the respective ends of the hanger extend or point inwardly or in a general direction toward the opposite end of the hanger.

It will be thus seen that when a garment is in place upon the hanger, the teeth will not interfere with the garment and being flexible will not injure a garment of the finest texture.

Should the garment G become accidentally detached from one end of the hanger, the tendency of the garment would be to slip from the other end of the hanger and drop upon the floor. The flexible teeth, however, projecting above the top of the hanger, will be engaged by the garment and a frictional gripping will be produced between the teeth and garment and the latter will be retained upon the hanger as shown in Fig. 3 until lifted therefrom. The spaced teeth 16 present an undulated surface to the garment above the top surface 12 of the hanger body 10. While the preferred form of construction has been herein shown and described, it is to be understood that many changes may be made therein, and the mode of securing the friction teeth or projections in position may be varied without departing from the spirit of this invention.

What is claimed as new is:

1. A garment hanger embodying a body having a supporting surface, and a series of clearly defined flexible teeth projecting above the said surface adjacent each end thereof, said teeth being spaced in a direction lengthwise of the said surface and parallel, each of the teeth extending substantially entirely across and projecting above the said surface to have frictional engagement with the material of a garment to retain the garment upon one end of the hanger when the garment has become detached from the other end of the hanger the teeth forming pockets therebetween extending across said surface and into which pockets portions of the garment enter.

2. A garment hanger embodying a body

having a supporting surface and provided with a recess opening through said surface adjacent each end of the body and a rubber element seated and secured within each of the recesses, each of the said rubber elements being provided with an undulated surface disposed above the supporting surface of the body of the hanger, the said undulations extending entirely across the hanger to form pockets into which portions of the garment enter.

3. A garment hanger embodying a body having a supporting surface and provided with a recess opening through said surface adjacent each end thereof, an element seated and secured within each of the recesses, and clearly defined flexible teeth carried by each of the elements and projecting above the said surface and adapted to have frictional engagement with the material of a garment for retaining the garment upon one end of the hanger when the garment has become detached from the other end of the hanger, each of the said teeth on each of the elements extending entirely across the supporting surface, being spaced in a direction lengthwise of the said surface, substantially parallel and inclining inwardly toward the center of the hanger from the respective ends thereof.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification on this 20th day of June, A. D. 1919.

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