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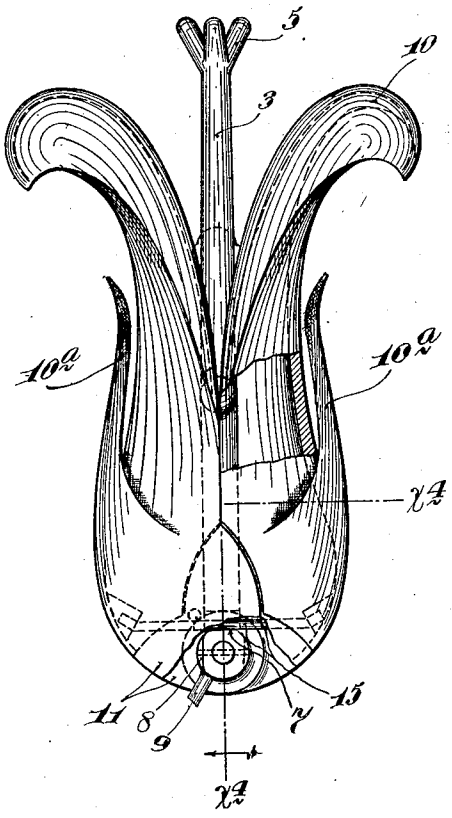
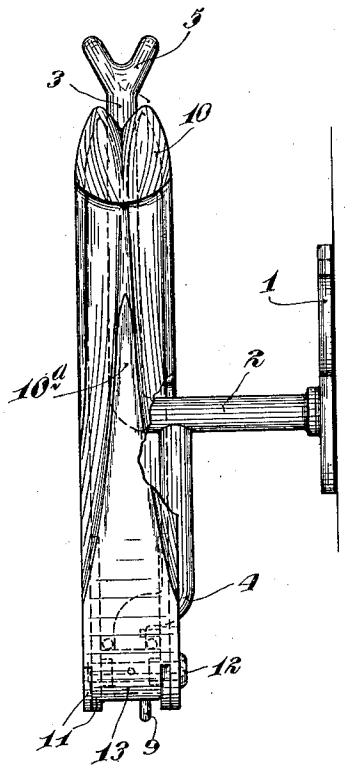


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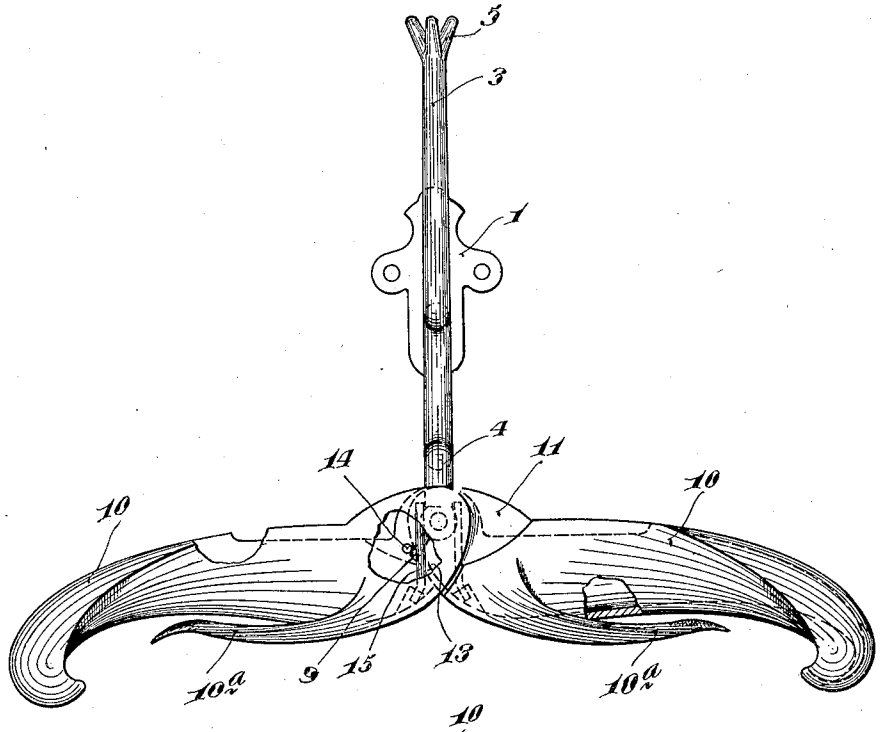
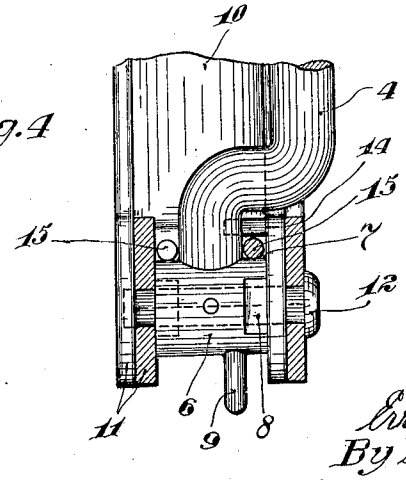


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EVA TEMPLE McCORD, 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 Hat and Coat Hangers; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention has for its object to provide a simple and highly efficient combination hat and coat hanger, and to such ends, the invention consists of the novel devices and combinations of devices hereinafter described and defined in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings which illustrate the invention, like characters indicate like parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in front elevation showing the hat and coat hanger closed, some parts being broken away; Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the parts shown in Fig. 1, some parts being broken away; Fig. 3 is a view corresponding to Fig. 1, but showing the wings of the device opened up; and Fig. 4 is a vertical section taken approximately on the line x^4 x^4 of Fig. 1.

The numeral 1 indicates a wall plate which is adapted to be secured by screws or other suitable devices to a wall or other support. This plate 1 is provided with an outwardly projecting stem 2 formed with an upwardly projecting prong 3 and a depending prong 4. The prong 3, at its upper end is preferably terminated in a suitable head 5, on which a hat or cap may be conveniently hung.

Rigidly secured to the lower end of the depending stem prong 4 is a hub or sleeve-like boss 6 having flattened surfaces 7 on its top and flattened surfaces 8 on the sides of its ends, for a purpose which will presently appear. A stop pin or projection 9 depends from the hub 6.

The numeral 10 indicates a pair of wings preferably made hollow or channel-shaped in cross section and of ornamental design, and provided at their inner ends with overlapping laterally spaced flanges 11 that are pivotally connected to the hub 6, by a hinge bolt or pin 12. One of the wings 10 is provided with a web terminal 13, and the other wing is provided with a transverse stop pin 14, which elements 13 and 14 engage with the stop pin 9 to limit the downward movements of the two wings to operative unfolded positions, shown in Fig. 3.

The wings 10 are provided at their inner or pivoted ends, between their flanges 11 with short and quite stiff spring fingers or prongs 15 rigidly secured thereto at their outer ends, and with their free ends arranged to engage with the flattened surfaces 7 and 8 of the hub 6. One spring prong 15 is engageable with the flat surfaces 7 and 8 at one end of the hub and the other spring prong is engageable with the flattened surfaces 7 and 8 at the other end of said hub. The arrangement is such that when the wings 10 are turned upward or folded, as shown in Fig. 1, the spring prongs 15 engage with the flat upper surfaces 7 and are thereby yieldingly held in their operative or folded positions; but when the said wings are turned downward, as shown in Fig. 3, the said spring prongs 15 engage with the flattened side surfaces 8 of the said hub and yieldingly hold the said wings in their operative or unfolded positions. Furthermore, by engagement of the said spring prongs with the said flattened surfaces, whenever the wings are moved close, either to folded positions or to open positions, their movements in the one direction or the other will be completed by the tendency of the said spring prongs to force themselves into complete or flatwise engagement with the said flattened surfaces.

In the preferred form of the device, the main wings 10 are provided with supplemental wings 10^a cast integral therewith, or otherwise secured thereto, and which serve as a means upon which a skirt or a pair of trousers may be hung when the wings are opened up. The supplemental wings 10^a are shorter than the main wings and project on the outer sides thereof and are preferably formed with quite sharp points so that they afford hooks which are well adapted to be inserted into loops, preferably provided for that purpose, on the skirt or trousers.

The device described is of simple construction, strong, durable, and efficient for the purposes had in view. When the wings thereof are unfolded, it provides a device upon which a coat and a hat may be conveniently hung, and when the wings of the

device are folded it has an ornamental appearance due largely to the graceful curved outlines of the wings.

What I claim is:

1. In a device of the kind described, the combination of a support, a hub associated therewith, a pair of wings having overlapping laterally spaced flanges pivoted to the extremities of the hub, spring fingers or prongs associated with said wings and adapted to project transversely over the face of the hub, said hub having flattened surfaces associated therewith engageable with said spring fingers to hold said wings in predetermined positions.

2. In a device of the kind described, the combination of a support, a hub associated therewith, a pair of wings having laterally spaced flanges pivoted to the extremities of said hub, spring fingers or prongs secured to said wings, said hub provided with flattened surfaces at its end portions adapted to be engaged by said spring fingers to hold the wings in folded or unfolded positions.

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

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