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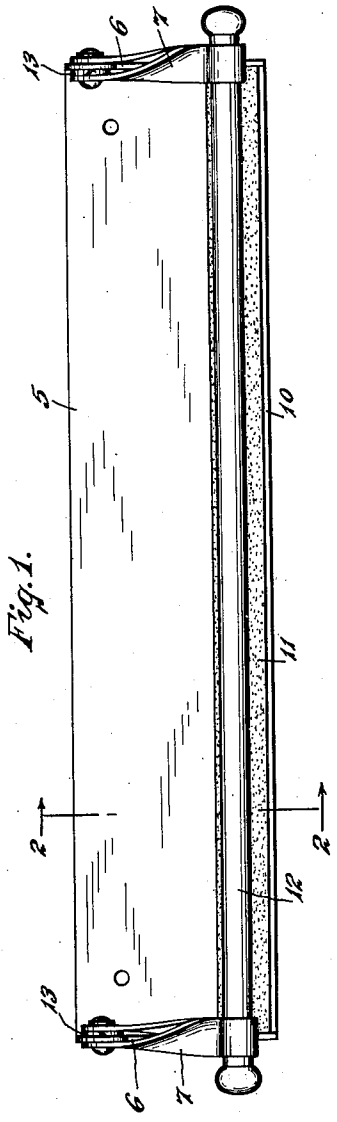


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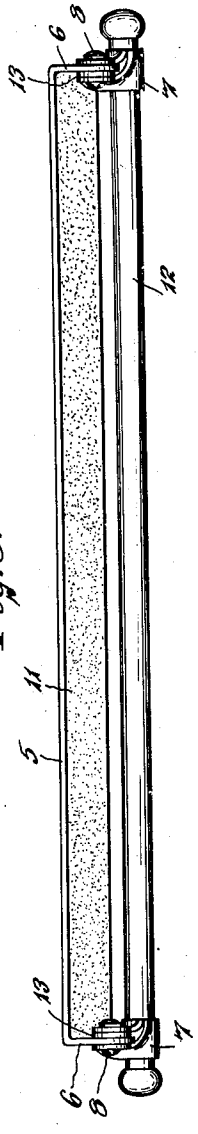


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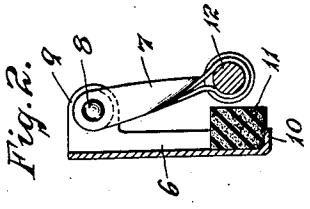


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This invention relates to tie racks and more particularly to a rack that is adapted to support a plurality of neckties, or other articles, such as towels or the like, and prevent them from slipping thereon.

An object of the invention is to provide such a rack which is simple in construction, inexpensive to produce, and provided with suitable means for engaging the ties thereon to prevent them from slipping and falling from the rack.

Further objects and advantages of this invention will be more clearly understood from the following description and from the accompanying drawings in which:

Fig. 1 is an elevational front view of a tie rack embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 is a sectional end view on line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is an elevational plan view of said rack.

As shown in the drawings, my improved rack may comprise a back plate 5 having side flanges 6—6, preferably in the form of brackets, adapted to support hangers 7—7, each of which is pivotally attached to a projection 9 on the bracket 6 by means of a rivet 8 or the like.

At the bottom of said back plate 5, there is provided a supporting flange 10 which extends perpendicularly therefrom and a cushion, in the form of a resilient bar 11, rests on said flange 10 and fits between the side flanges 6—6.

A supporting bar 12 extends between the hangers 7—7 and is carried thereby to support a number of neckties, or other articles, which may be hung on said bar.

It will be noted that the hangers 7—7 are frictionally engaged with the projections 9 by such means as lock washers 13—13, which serve to retain the said bar 12 in tie binding position relatively to the cushion 11, with a substantial degree of firmness.

The operation of my improved tie rack is as follows:

When it is desired to hang articles on the bar 12, the said bar is pulled outwardly, away from the cushion 11, and the articles are hung thereon. The bar is then pushed back towards the cushion 11, so that the articles thereon are pressed against the cushion and are gripped between the cushion and the bar 12 and thereby prevented from slipping in the rack.

The cushion 11, being constructed of rubber or other similar resilient material, provides a gripping surface with sufficient traction to prevent slippage of the articles which are held firmly against the said cushion by means of the friction

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provided in the pivotal connection between the hangers 7 and the projection 9 through the resilient spring washers 13—13.

If desired, the bar 12 may be coated with a suitable material to give it a rough surface so as to provide additional traction for the articles thereon while still permitting the said articles to be pulled between the bar and the cushion without requiring that the bar be pulled away from the cushion. The said cushion may be made of a material which will give it the proper resiliency to permit the slippage of the articles without necessitating movement of the bar.

I claim:

In a tie rack of the character described, the combination of a back plate having a perpendicular flange at opposite sides thereof with a projection forming a bracket on each of said flanges, a pair of hangers pivotally mounted to said brackets, a horizontal supporting bar extending between said hangers and supported thereby, a perpendicular flange extending along the bottom of said back plate, a horizontal cushion of resilient material mounted on said back plate and resting upon said flange and projecting outwardly of said flange and adapted to engage articles hung on said bar to prevent slippage thereof, and resilient spring washers interposed between the hangers and brackets providing friction between said hangers and brackets to retain the supporting bar in position for maintaining pressure between said articles thereon and the cushion to prevent slippage of said articles on the bar.

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