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Fig. 1.

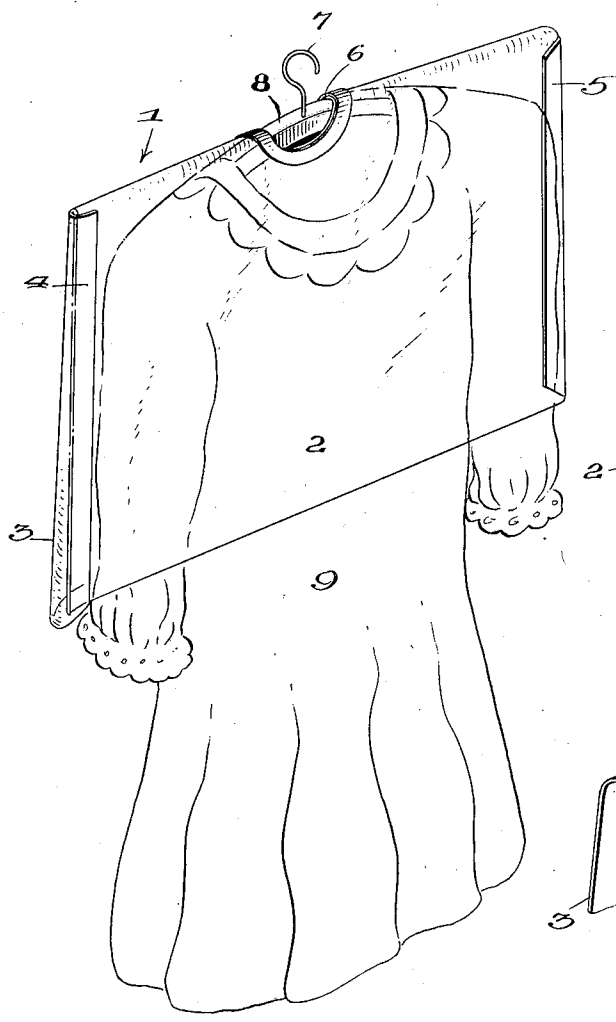


Fig. 2.

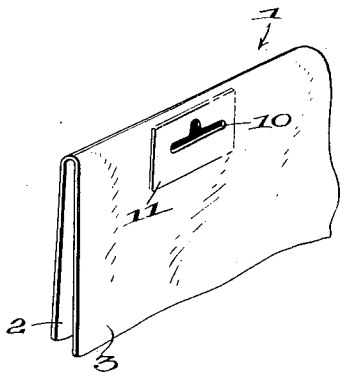
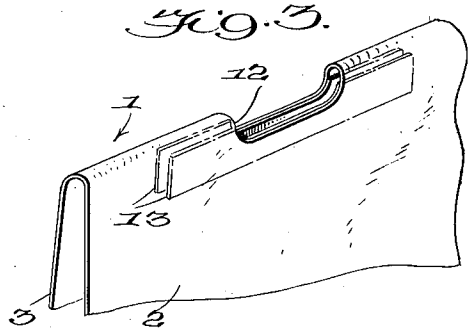


Fig. 3.



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My invention consists in new and useful improvements in garment covers or protectors for use on dresses of delicate material, and other garments on display in shops and show rooms.

Heretofore, merchants dealing in lingerie and ladies' dresses have experienced many disadvantages in displaying their goods in their shops and show rooms, chiefly among which has been the collecting of dust while the garment was hanging on the display racks, and the soiling from incessant handling by clerks and customers. If the garments were covered for protection from dust, they did not present an attractive appearance in a show room, and in order to exhibit the same to a customer, it was necessary to remove the cover and take the garment from the rack.

After repeating this procedure several times, it is obvious that the garment would soon become soiled from handling and unfit for sale at the original price.

It is the object of my invention to overcome these disadvantages and to produce a garment cover made of transparent material which may be easily and quickly slipped over the upper portion of a garment which has been placed on a hanger of the conventional type.

By the use of my improved garment cover, it will be seen that the dresses are protected from dust, and present a uniform appearance throughout the whole shop or show room, while hanging upon the display racks; that the entire dress may be readily viewed by a customer without removing the cover, and that the garments may be freely handled by the clerks in placing them on and removing them from the display racks, without fear of soiling.

With the above and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, my invention consists in the novel features herein set forth, illustrated in the accompanying drawing, and more particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

Referring to the drawings in which numerals of like character designate similar parts throughout the several views,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the preferred form of my invention, showing the device in place on a dress.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary view of the upper portions of a garment cover, showing a modification of the aperture for receiving the hook of a hanger, and

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 2 showing a still further modification.

In the drawings, 1 represents my improved garment cover proper which consists of a sheet of transparent material, preferably glassine paper, folded upon itself to form front and back walls 2 and 3 respectively, either of said walls being provided along its side edges with flaps 4 and 5 which are adapted to be folded over and secured to the side edges of the opposite wall, either by pasting, stitching or other suitable means. As will be seen from Figure 1 of the drawings, the lower edge of the back wall 3 extends below that of the front wall 2; whereby opening of the mouth is facilitated.

The upper edge of the cover is provided with an aperture 6 adapted to receive the head or hook 7 of a garment hanger 8 when a dress or other garment 9 is placed thereon. This aperture may be reinforced by any suitable means, the preferred form being shown in Fig. 1, and consisting of a circular strip of heavy paper pasted or otherwise secured around the aperture.

The form of aperture shown in Fig. 2 consists of a slot 10 in the wall 3 of the cover, slightly below the upper edge thereof, and reinforced by a strip of heavy paper 11, having a slot of similar shape therein, registering with said slot 10.

The modification shown in Fig. 3 comprises an elongated slot 12 in the upper edge of the cover, reinforced by strips of heavy paper 13, pasted or otherwise secured to the walls of said cover, adjacent the edges of said slot.

The use of my improved cover is obvious. The device is slipped over a garment 9 on a hanger 8, the head or hook 7 of which is passed through the aperture 6, thus enabling the garment to be hung on a display rack in full view of the customers, yet protected from dust and soiling from handling.

While I have shown and described a gar-

ment cover of transparent material for covering only the upper portion of a dress, it will be noted that the device may be made of any suitable material, and any desired length.

From the foregoing, it is believed that my invention may be clearly understood without further description, it being borne in mind that numerous changes may be made in the details of construction without departing from the spirit of the invention as disclosed in the following claim.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A display device for garments, comprising an inverted protecting bag including unbroken front and rear walls of transparent sheet material, said walls being secured permanently together along the side and top edges, the lower edges forming a permanently open mouth, through which the upper portion of a garment may be inserted for display, the length of said walls being less than that of said garment, and the lower edge of one wall extending below that of the adjacent wall, whereby access to the bag is facilitated, the upper end of said bag being provided with an aperture to accommodate the hook of a garment hanger, whereby when said device is applied to a garment on display, said garment is visible in its entirety, and the lower portion of the garment is unconfined, thus avoiding creasing or rumpling.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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