

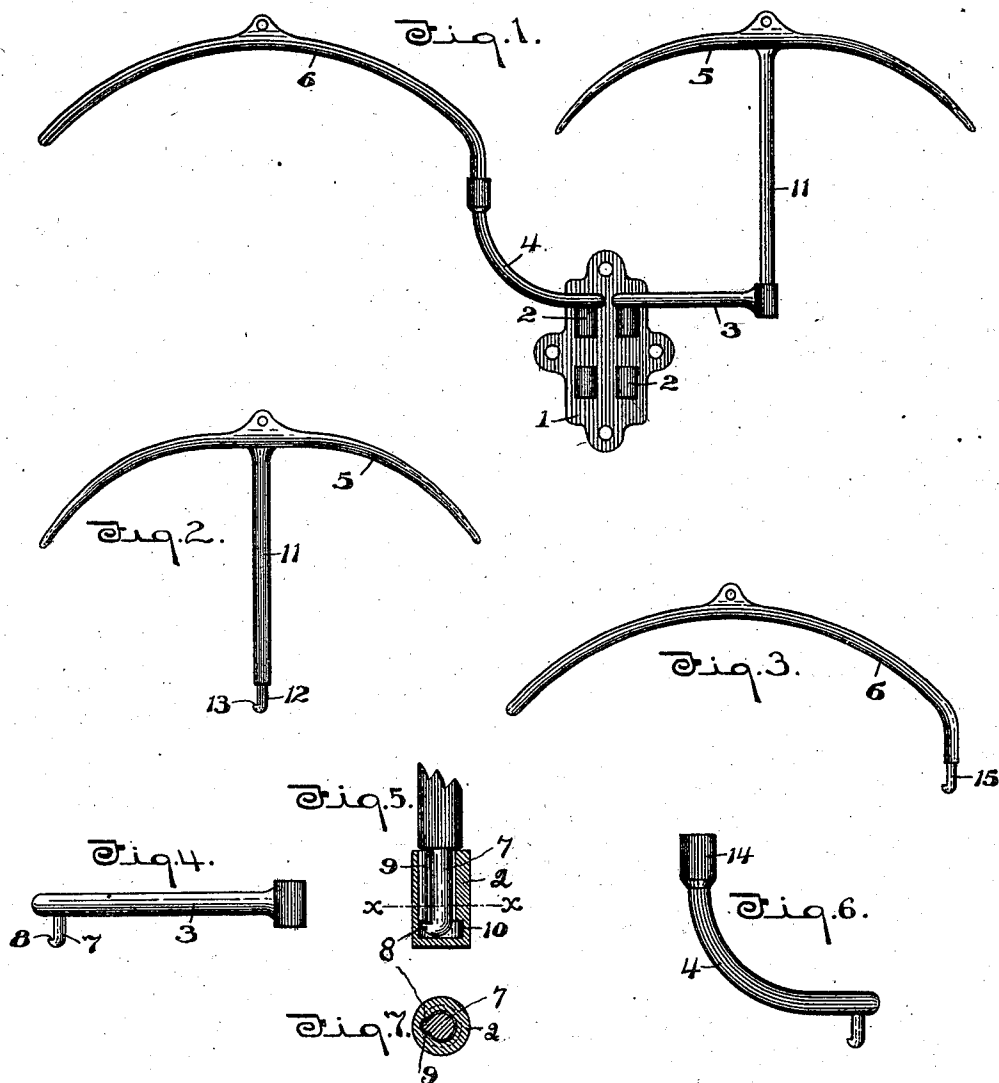
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS M. MULKERINS, 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; 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 relates to garment-hangers; and its object is to improve devices of this class by providing removable adjustable swinging garment-forms held at different angles to economize in space and to construct improved fastening or locking means for the parts.

With these and many other objects in view, which will readily appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction, combination, and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, illustrated, and claimed.

The fundamental principles involved in novel construction and arrangement of parts are necessarily susceptible to a wide range of modification without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof.

My improved hanger is more particularly adapted for use as a vestment-bracket, and by its especial construction is intended for supporting a priest's cope and chasuble. The chasuble being small and light is easily applied to an end supporting-rack, as the strain thereon is not great, while the heavy cope is conveniently hung upon the bracket-supporting rack.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the hanger complete. Fig. 2 is a view of the cope-bracket detached. Fig. 3 is a view of the chasuble-bracket detached. Fig. 4 represents the supporting-arm of the cope-bracket. Fig. 5 is a detail in longitudinal section of one of the sockets with one of the bosses engaged therein. Fig. 6 is a view of the supporting-arm for the chasuble-bracket, and Fig. 7 is a transverse section on the line X X of Fig. 5.

Referring to the drawings, Fig. 1, a suit-

able plate 1, having a plurality of sockets 2, is secured to the wall or any article of furniture, and the sockets are arranged vertically in pairs to accommodate a plurality of supporting-arms for the brackets or to provide for the vertical adjustment of the same. The sockets 2 are adapted to be engaged by supporting-arms 3 and 4, to which the brackets or garment-forms 5 and 6 are removably secured. The supporting-arm 3 is provided on its end with a boss 7, projecting at right angles therefrom and having a shoulder 8 formed thereon. This boss is adapted to be inserted in one of the sockets 2, which is provided with a longitudinal semicircular groove 9 to accommodate the lug or shoulder 8 when the boss is inserted or removed from the socket. At the base of the bore of the socket is formed an annular groove 10, which permits the lug 8 free movement when the arm 3 is rotated in its socket and which also locks the same within the socket when the lug 8 is out of alinement with the groove 9, and thus accidental disengagement is prevented. This supporting-arm 3 is disposed horizontally and provided on its other end with a socket similar to the sockets 2 in the fixed support, and the upright portion 11 of the garment-form is provided on its end with a boss 12, having a lateral lug 13, similar to the boss and lug on the arm 3.

The supporting-arm 4 is curved upwardly and provided at its upper end with a socket 14, in which the boss 15 on the end of the chasuble-supporting bracket is removably interlocked. By this construction the chasuble-bracket is supported from its end, while the cope-bracket is supported from its central upright 11, and thus the heavy cope will not cause undue strain upon the bracket, while the chasuble being light may be conveniently supported on the end supporting-bracket. It will also be seen that the supporting-arms 3 and 4, which may be engaged by the upper or lower set of sockets on the plate 1, are independently adjustable and removable, capable of being swung to a convenient position to economize space, and that the garment-forms themselves are independently removable and rotatable in their sockets. Each garment-

form is provided with an aperture in its top, by which it can be conveniently hung upon a nail or other support.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a device of the class described, the combination with a fixed support having a plurality of sockets thereon, of swinging supporting-arms having an interlocking engagement at one end with the sockets on the fixed support and provided with sockets on their other ends, and garment-forms revolubly mounted in the sockets on the ends of the supporting-arms.

2. In a device of the class described, the combination of a fixed support having a plurality of sockets thereon, swinging supporting-arms removably mounted in the sockets on the fixed support and provided with sockets in their free ends, garment-forms removably mounted in the sockets in the supporting-arms and adapted to swing independently of the supporting-arms, and means to lock the garment-forms and the supporting-arms in their sockets.

3. In a vestment-hanger of the class described the combination of a fixed support having sockets thereon provided with longitudinal grooves and annular shoulders at the base of the sockets, swinging supporting-arms having bosses at one end adapted to engage the sockets in the fixed support and lateral lugs on the bosses adapted to engage the annular shoulders in the sockets, sockets on the other end of each supporting-arm, and

garment-forms having bosses provided with lugs to engage the sockets in the supporting-arms.

4. In a vestment-hanger of the class described the combination with a fixed support having sockets thereon, swinging supporting-arms detachably mounted in said sockets and provided with sockets in their free ends, swinging garment-forms detachably mounted in the sockets in the supporting-arms, and ears on the garment-forms provided with apertures by which the forms may be suspended when detached.

5. In a garment-hanger, the combination with a fixed support having a plurality of sockets formed thereon, said sockets having a longitudinal internal groove and an annular or semi-annular groove at their base, supporting-arms having similar sockets at one of their ends, and their other ends having right-angular-disposed bosses provided with lateral lugs to engage the grooves in the sockets and form an interlocking engagement therewith, a garment-form having a centrally-disposed upright provided with a boss to engage the socket in one of the arms, and an end supporting-bracket having a boss at one end to engage a socket in the other arm, substantially as described.

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

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