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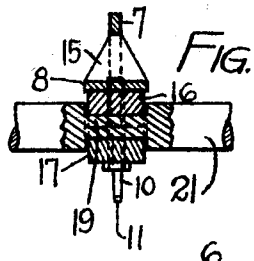

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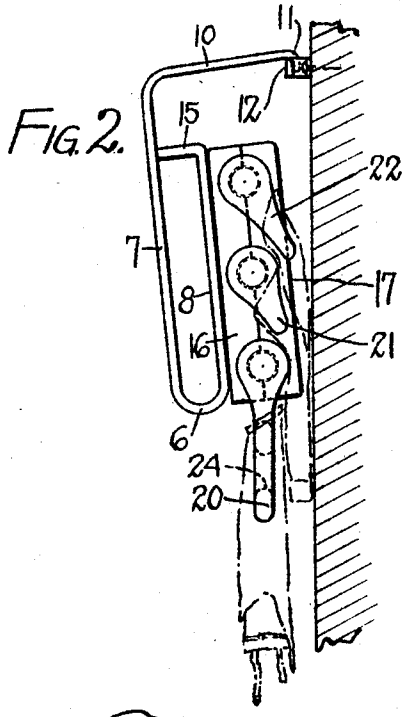

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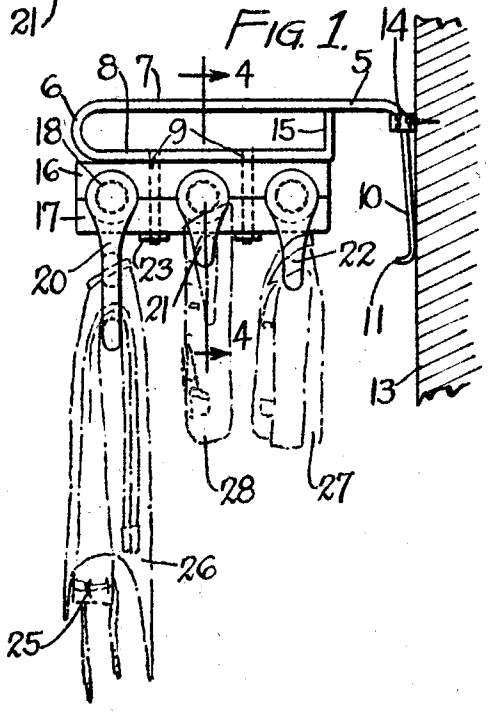

FIG. 1.

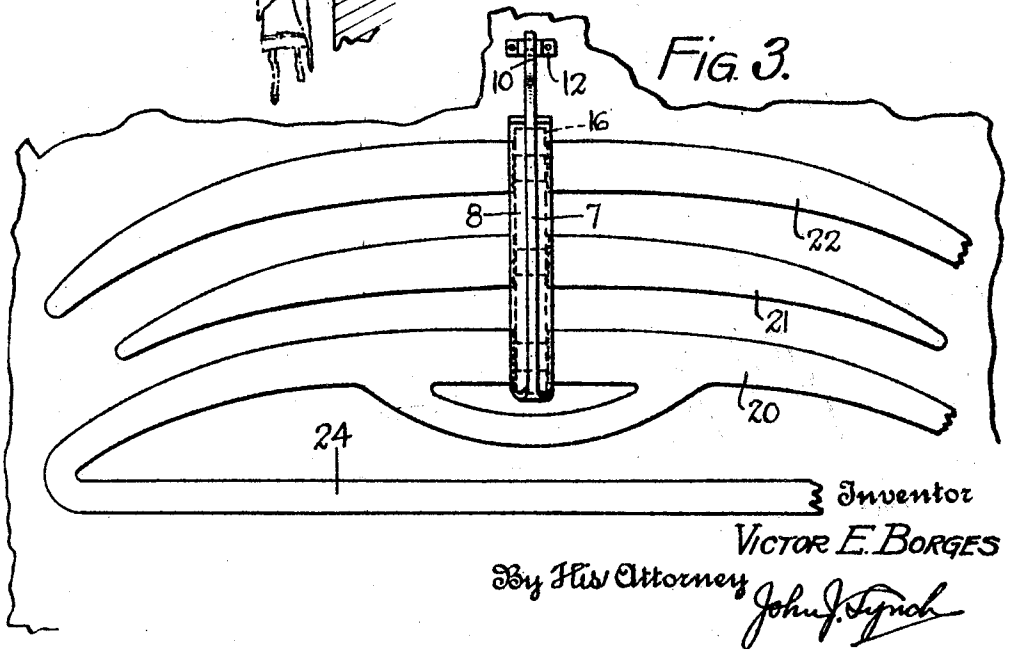

FIG. 3.

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This invention relates to garment hangers and in particular to one which may be used in a plurality of positions.

A particular object of my invention is to provide a garment hanger upon which may be individually supported a coat, a vest, a pair of trousers and a shirt, the hangers being so arranged that they are in order for use as a person disrobes.

A still further object of my invention is to provide a series of garment hangers supported in a single holder, the holder being arranged for horizontal positioning so that each of the individual hangers may be used and then subsequently being lowered to a vertical position so that the hangers fold against each other and retain the clothing in proper shape and also conserve space within a closet or the like.

Another important object of my invention is the arrangement and construction of the hangers whereby they may be conveniently carried from place to place and may be quickly set up on a closet wall, the back of a door or in any convenient place where clothes are to be hung.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed may be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings:

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of a garment hanger constructed in accordance with my invention, the same being shown in a horizontal or extended position.

Figure 2 is a view similar to Figure 1 showing the garment hanger suspended in its vertical position to save space.

Figure 3 is a view in front elevation of the hanger as taken from the left side of Figure 2 and shows the relative arrangement of the hangers and their method of support, and

Figure 4 is an enlarged section taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 1 showing how the garment hangers are secured within the block members which in turn are held in a suitable holding member.

Referring to the drawings in detail, 5 indicates a holder preferably made of metal and bent upon itself as at 6 to provide a handle 7 of relatively narrow proportion and a base 8 of wider dimensions, the latter of which has depending therefrom suitable bolts 9, two being shown in this connection but it is to be understood that any number may be employed, if desired.

The holder at one end is turned down to provide the handle extension 10 which, at its lower end is hooked as at 11 so that it can be retained within a suitable bracket 12 which may be secured to a wall 13 or door or other supporting surface, the bracket being secured through the medium of suitable screws to the surface and being provided with a central opening 14 through which is arranged to slide the extension 10.

The base portion 8 is turned up as at 15 to meet the handle portion 7 to which it may be welded if the holder is made of sheet metal or if the holder is cast, the upturned portion 15 will, of course, constitute an integral part of the holder. The bolts 9 are arranged to pass down through the upper and lower blocks 16 and 17 respectively, which, in turn, are provided with registering semi-circular openings 18, which, in register provide a passage in which is held or imprisoned, the reduced portions 19 of each of the hanger arms 20, 21 and 22, the hanger 20 by way of illustration being arranged to accommodate a pair of trousers and a shirt while the hanger 21 is for the accommodation of the vest and the hanger 22 is for the accommodation of a coat. Mention of these garments is only made by way of illustration and it is to be understood that my hanger may be used for hanging up any kind of garment. In assembling the hanger, the block 16 is placed over the bolt 9 and the reduced portions 19 of the hanger arms are deposited in the semi-circular grooves 18 of the block and then the block 17 is placed over the bolt 9 and retained in this position through the medium

of the nut 23 threaded to the bolt 9. The openings 18 are sufficiently large to permit the reduced portions 19 of the hanger arms to have free rotation therein so that when the hanger is dropped to the position illustrated in Figure 2, the hanger arms will have a tendency to assume a vertical position as they also do when the hanger is in extended position as illustrated in Figure 1.

The hanger 20 is provided with an extra bar 24 across which may be hung a pair of trousers 25, as indicated in outline in Figures 1 and 2 and the upper portion of the hanger 20 will then accommodate a shirt 26 over the trousers. The vest hanger 21 is shorter than the coat hanger 22 but any of the hangers may be of any width or they may all be of the same construction without affecting the spirit of the invention.

My garment hanger is of particular use when disrobing inasmuch as the coat 27 is first removed and when the hanger is in the position illustrated in Figure 1, the coat may be hung on the hanger arm 22. The vest may then be hung on the hanger 21 and the trousers 25 and shirt 26 on the hanger 20 in the order named, after which the handle 7 is lifted up until the hook portion 11 comes into the bracket 12 and the hanger can then be dropped to the position illustrated in Figure 2 at which time, the garments are all held in close relation and space within a closet or on the back of a door is conserved and the garments are maintained in unfolded position. The vest as indicated by the numeral 28, occupies the intermediate hanger 21.

It is evident, therefore, that I have provided an improved garment hanger which permits the clothes to be mounted on the special hangers reserved for their use as a person disrobes and also a hanger which can be folded down into position against the wall or surface from which it is supported to conserve space. It is also evident that the hangers are each individually supported and consequently the hands are left free to arrange the garments on each of the hangers in the proper position and the hanger is not crowded with relation to other hangers, the proper distance being left between the hanger arms so that the garments have sufficient room and do not become unnecessarily creased or folded.

A further advantage of my invention is in dress establishments, the hangers are removable from the brackets 12 and may be carried to a display location and may be then replaced without disturbing the dresses or garments that are supported upon the hangers.

While I have illustrated and described my invention with some degree of particularity, I realize that in practice various alterations therein may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the appended claims.

What I claim is:—

1. A garment hanger comprising a handle, an extension on the handle, a bracket engageable by the handle for supporting the hanger in a plurality of positions, separable blocks secured to the handle, and hanger arms revolvably supported between said blocks.

2. A garment hanger comprising a handle, an extension on the handle, a bracket engageable by the handle for supporting the hanger in a plurality of positions, separable blocks secured to the handle, and a plurality of spaced hanger arms having reduced portions revolvably fitted into said blocks.

3. A garment hanger comprising a handle, an extension on the handle, a bracket engageable by the handle for supporting the hanger in a plurality of positions, hanger holding means secured to the handle, and hanger arms revolvably supported in said holding means.

4. A garment hanger comprising a handle, an extension on the handle, a bracket engageable by the handle for supporting the hanger in a horizontal or in a vertical position, holding means secured to the handle, and hanger arms revolvably supported in said holding means.

In testimony whereof, I, VICTOR E. BORGES, have signed my name to this specification this 1st day of May 1930.

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