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COMBINATION COAT AND HAT HANGER WITH CHECKS FOR CHECK ROOMS

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Fig. 1

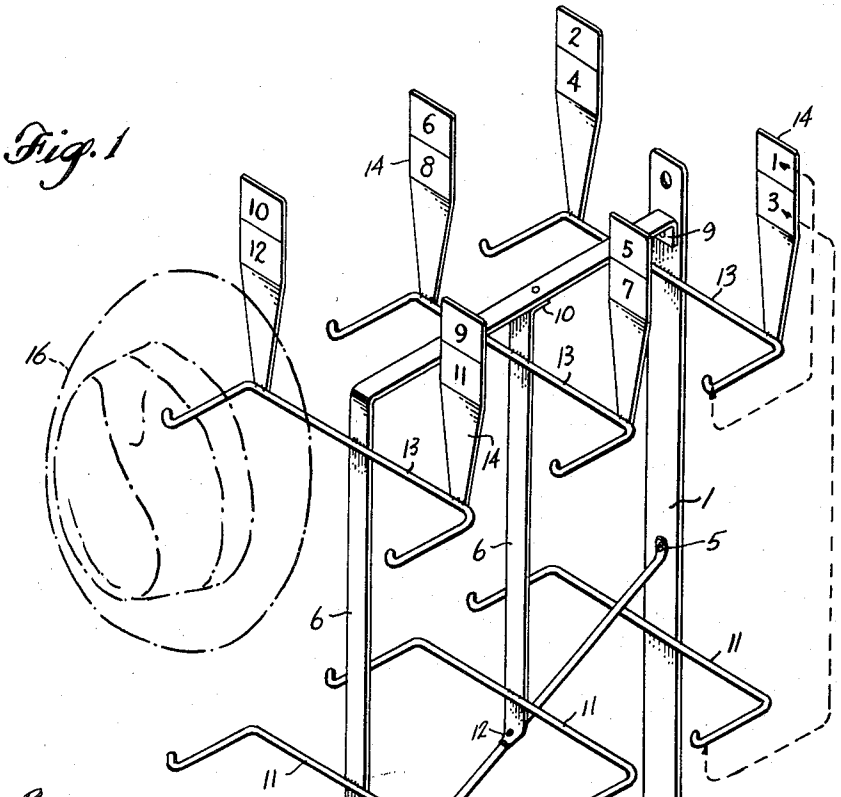
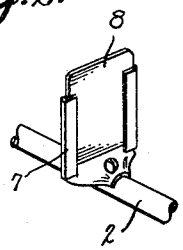


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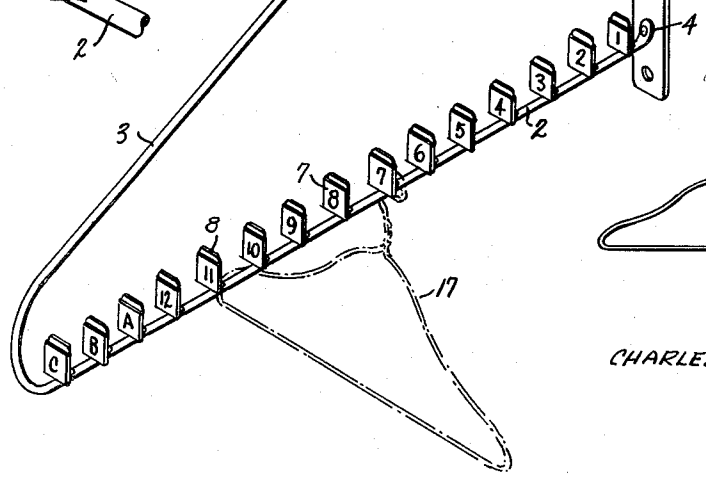
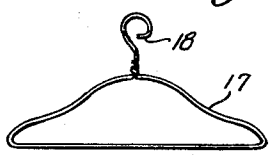


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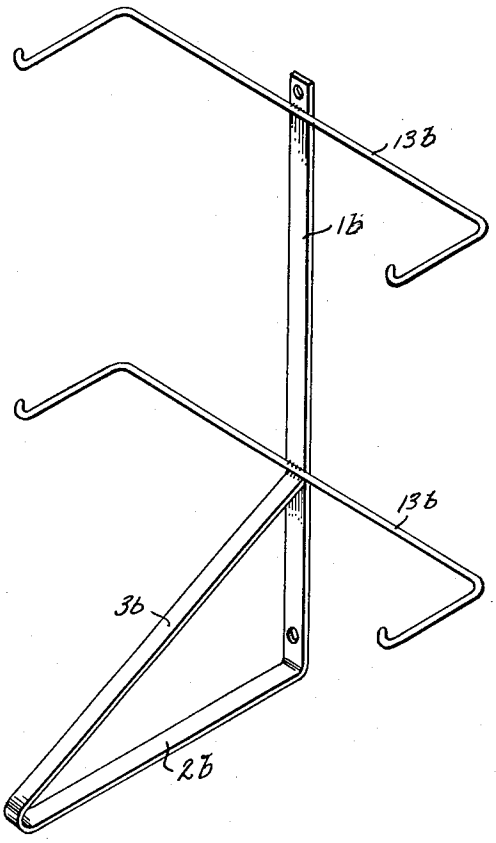
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Fig. 4.



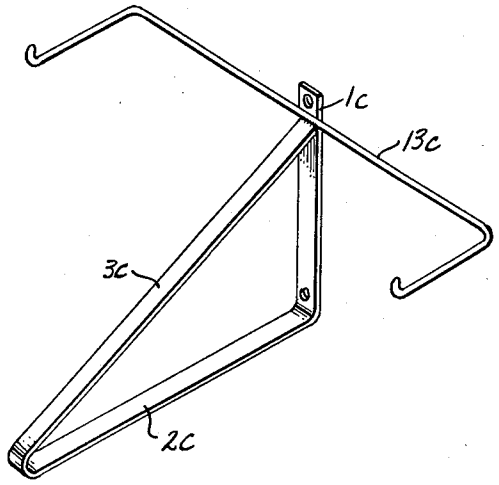


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My invention relates to a combination coat and hat hanger with checks for check rooms.

An object of my invention is to provide a coat and hat rack of this type which is compact and handy to use and which provides a place for hanging each coat and a place for hanging each hat substantially directly above the coat with which it belongs.

Another object is to provide a coat and hat rack of this type comprising a horizontally positioned coat hanger bar having spaced apart rigidly attached individually marked identification plates dividing it into a plurality of sections each adapted to receive the hook of a coat hanger and further having hat hanger hooks supported above said coat hanger bar and each provided with an identification plate having at least one mark corresponding to a mark on one of said coat identification plates.

Another object is to provide coat and hat rack devices having both coat and hat identification plates which are always clearly visible to persons who are hanging coats and hats on or removing them from said rack.

Another object is to provide coat and hat rack devices which are always readily accessible for the purpose of having coats and hats hung thereon and removed therefrom and in which coats and hats on the device do not interfere with the hanging or removal of others.

Other objects of my invention will be apparent from the following description and accompanying drawings.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a check room type coat and hat rack embodying my invention and showing by dot and dash lines a coat hanger and a hat hanging on said rack.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary perspective view showing part of a coat hanger bar with a coat identification plate thereon and a customer's check removably held by said plate.

Fig. 3 is an elevational view of a coat hanger used in connection with my coat and hat rack.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a coat and hat rack of simplified construction in which the check means is omitted.

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of another coat and hat rack of still further simplified construction.

Like reference numerals refer to like parts throughout the several views.

The coat and hat rack shown in Fig. 1 comprises an upright frame bar 1 which is adapted to be secured by screws or like means to an upright support, such as a wall or post. A substantially horizontal coat hanger bar 2 has one end rigidly secured by means, such as a rivet or bolt 4, to the lower end portion of the upright frame bar 1. A diagonal truss bar 3 has one end rigidly connected with the outer end of the coat hanger bar 2 and the other end rigidly attached by means, such as a rivet or bolt 5, to the upright frame bar 1 at a location a substantial distance above the lower end of said upright frame bar. The coat hanger bar 2 and truss bar 3 can be made of a single piece of metal bent to resemble a

letter V as shown in Fig. 1. Preferably the bend which connects the bars 2 and 3 is not a sharp bend so that substantial room is left between the outer end portions of said bars.

A plurality of approximately uniformly spaced apart identification plates 7 are welded or otherwise rigidly secured to the coat hanger bar 2 and extend upwardly therefrom so that they mark off or define on said bar 2 a plurality of sections or spaces which are each adapted to receive the hook of a coat hanger 17. The tip 18 of the hook of each coat hanger is bent inwardly at an abrupt angle so that it helps to prevent the hanger from falling off of the bar 2 when the removal of a coat leaves the hanger swinging on said bar 2.

All of the plates 7 have identification markings thereon. Preferably letters are used on some of the plates 7 nearest the outer end of the coat hanger bar 2 and these lettered plates 7 are used to identify coats not accompanied by hats. The remaining plates 7 preferably have numbers marked thereon and are used to identify coats that are accompanied by hats. Obviously some of the numbered plates 7 can be used in connection with coats not accompanied by hats if conditions so require. Fig. 1 shows fifteen plates 7, which, considered consecutively from the upright frame bar outwardly, are marked with numerals 1 to 12 and letters A, B and C. Thus the bar 2 is adapted to have fifteen coats hung thereon and each coat is preferably hung in front of the plate 7 by which it is to be identified.

Preferably each identification plate 7 has its edge portions reversely bent, as shown in Fig. 2, to adapt it to receive and removably hold a customer's identification check 8 with the edges of the check 8 in upright grooves formed by the reverse bending of the edge portions of the plate 7. Each customer's check 8 is marked with a number corresponding to the number or letter on the plate 7 to which it pertains.

The hat holding devices are positioned above the coat holding devices and they include two upright hat supporting bars 6. Each bar 6 has its lower end secured by a rivet 12 or other suitable securing means to the diagonal truss bar 3. These two upright hat supporting bars 6 are spaced from each other and from the upright frame bar 1 and are parallel with said frame bar 1. A horizontal bar 8' is rigid with the upper end portions of said hat supporting bars 6 and terminates in a short downwardly bent end part 9 which is secured to the upper end portion of the upright frame bar 1. Preferably the foremost bar 6, shown at the left in Fig. 1, and the horizontal bar 8' are made from a single piece of metal bent at an angle of ninety degrees. Also preferably a short length 10 of the upper end of the bar 6 nearest to the upright frame bar 1 is bent at an angle of ninety degrees and secured to the horizontal bar 8'.

Three lower hat hook bars 11 are positioned in a common horizontal plane and have their medial portions welded or otherwise rigidly secured to the respective upright frame bar 1 and the two upright bars 6. The hat hook bars 11 extend crosswise of the upright bars to which they are secured and project equal distances to each side of said upright bars and each hat hook bar has two forwardly extending end portions which function as hat hooks. Three upper hat hook bars 13 similar to the bars 11 are positioned in a common horizontal plane in spaced relation above said bars 11 and are rigidly secured respectively to the upright frame bar 1 and to the two upright bars 6. A hat 16 is shown by dot and dash lines in a hanging position on one of the hat hook bars 13.

Each upper hat hook bar 13 has two upwardly extending hat identification plates of substantial height rigidly secured to its respective end portions. Each hat identifi-

cation plate 14 is provided with two identification numbers marked one above the other and which correspond to the identification numbers on two coat identification plates 7 that are positioned substantially therebelow. The uppermost number on each plate 14 is used to identify the nearest hat on an upper hat hook bar 13 and the lowermost number on each plate 14 is used to identify a hat directly below it on a lower hat hook member 11. Even numbers are used on the plates 14 at one side of the medial plane of the rack and odd numbers on the plates 14 at the other side. This facilitates the handling of the hats.

In the use of the hat and coat rack shown in Fig. 1 the coat of each customer or guest is hung, by a hanger, on the bar 2, the hat, if there is one, is hung on the corresponding hat hook above and the customer is given or takes the check 8 from the check holder and plate 7 next back of where his coat is hung. When the customer returns for his possessions they are readily located by reference to the number on his check 8 and are easily obtainable from the rack and the check 8 is left in the plate and check holder 7 where it belongs.

The simplified coat and hat rack shown in Fig. 4 comprises an upright frame bar 1*b*, a horizontal coat hanger bar 2*b* and a diagonal truss bar 3*b* which are similar to the previously described bars 1, 2 and 3, respectively, of Fig. 1. Two vertically spaced apart hat hook bars 13*b*, similar to the previously described bars 13, are medially welded or otherwise secured to the upright frame bar 1*b* and have forwardly bent end portions which function as hat hooks.

The simplified coat and hat rack shown in Fig. 5 comprises an upright frame bar 1*c*, a horizontal coat hanger bar 2*c* and a diagonal truss bar 3*c*. The bars 1*c*, 2*c* and 3*c* are arranged and positioned substantially in the shape of a right angled triangle. One transverse hat rack bar 13C is secured to the bars 1*c* and 3*c* at the location where they are attached together.

The simplified forms of the invention shown in Figs. 4 and 5 are well adapted for use in homes, offices and the like where there is no need for a check system.

Obviously changes in the structure hereinbefore described and shown in the drawings may be made within the scope of the following claims.

I claim:

1. A coat and hat rack comprising a horizontal coat hanger bar; spaced apart upwardly extending individually marked coat identification plates rigid with said coat hanger bar dividing said coat hanger bar into a plurality of sections each adapted to receive the hook of a coat hanger; hat hooks upported by said rack above and in predetermined relation to said coat identification plates; and individually marked hat identification plates rigid with said hat hooks, the markings on each hat identification plate corresponding with the markings on at least one of said coat identification plates.

2. A coat and hat rack comprising an upright frame bar capable of being secured to a fixed upright support; a horizontal coat hanger bar secured to the lower end portion of said frame bar and extending at substantially right angles therefrom; a diagonal truss bar rigidly connected with the outer end portion of said coat hanger bar and with said upright frame bar at a location a substantial distance above the lower end of said upright frame bar; spaced apart individually marked coat identification plates rigid with and extending upwardly from said coat hanger bar dividing said coat hanger bar into a plurality of sections each adapted to receive the hook of a coat hanger; at least one upright hat supporting bar secured to said diagonal truss bar parallel with and in spaced relation from said upright frame bar; transverse hat hook bars rigid with and supported by said upright frame bar and said upright hat supporting bar, each hat hook bar having a forwardly extending hat receiving member on each end thereof; and an upwardly extending hat identification plate rigid with each end portion of at least some of said hat hook bars, each hat identification plate having markings corresponding to the markings on coat identification plates positioned approximately directly below it.

3. A coat and hat rack comprising an upright frame bar capable of being secured to a fixed upright support; a horizontal coat hanger bar rigidly connected with the lower end portion of said frame bar and extending perpendicularly therefrom; a diagonal truss bar rigidly connected with the outer end portion of said coat hanger bar and with said upright frame bar at a location a substantial distance above the lower end of said upright frame bar; spaced apart individually marked coat identification plates rigid with and extending upwardly from said coat hanger bar dividing said coat hanger bar into a plurality of sections each adapted to receive the hook of a coat hanger; two upright hat supporting bars secured to said diagonal truss bar parallel to said upright frame bar and in transversely spaced relation from said upright frame bar and from each other; transverse hat hook bars rigid with and supported by said upright frame bar and said hat supporting bars, each hat hook bar having a forwardly extending hat receiving member on each end thereof; and an upwardly extending hat identification plate rigid with each end portion of at least some of said hat hook bars, each hat identification plate having markings corresponding to the markings on two of said coat identification plates which are positioned substantially directly below the hat identification plate.

4. A coat and hat rack comprising an upright frame bar capable of being secured to a fixed support; a horizontal coat hanger bar secured to the lower end portion of said upright frame bar and extending substantially perpendicularly therefrom; a diagonal truss bar rigidly connected with the outer end portion of said coat hanger bar and with said upright frame bar at a location a substantial distance above the lower end of said upright frame bar; spaced apart individually marked coat identification plates rigid with and extending upwardly from said coat hanger bar dividing said coat hanger bar into a plurality of sections each adapted to receive the hook of a coat hanger, each coat identification plate being provided with check holding means; two upright hat supporting bars resting on and secured to said diagonal truss bar parallel to said upright frame bar and in spaced relation to said upright frame bar and to each other; a horizontal bar rigid with and connecting the upper end portions of said two hat supporting bars and said upright frame bar; two vertically spaced apart sets of transverse hat hook bars rigid with and supported by said upright frame bar and said hat supporting bars, each hat hook bar having a forwardly extending hat receiving member on each end thereof; and an upwardly extending hat identification plate rigid with each end portion of each bar of one set of the hat hook bars, each hat hook identification plate having two vertically spaced apart markings thereon corresponding to markings on two of said coat identification plates which are positioned substantially directly below it.

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