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Fig. 1

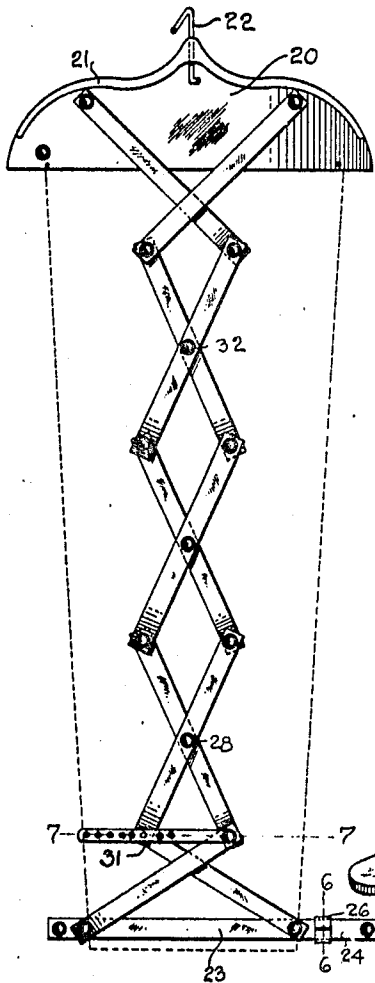


Fig. 2

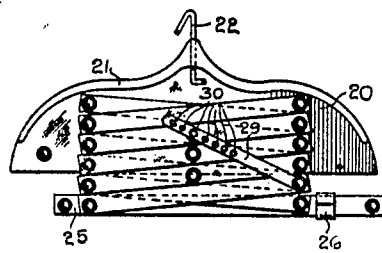


Fig. 3

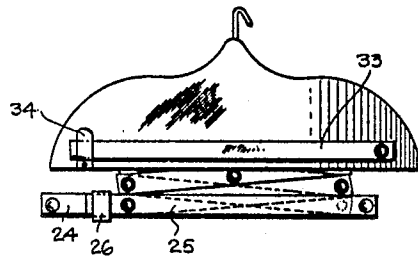
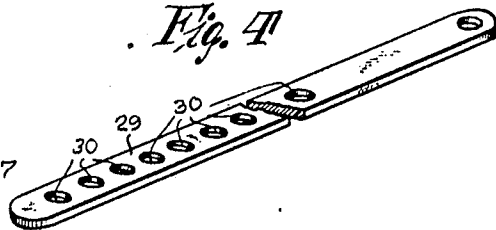


Fig. 4



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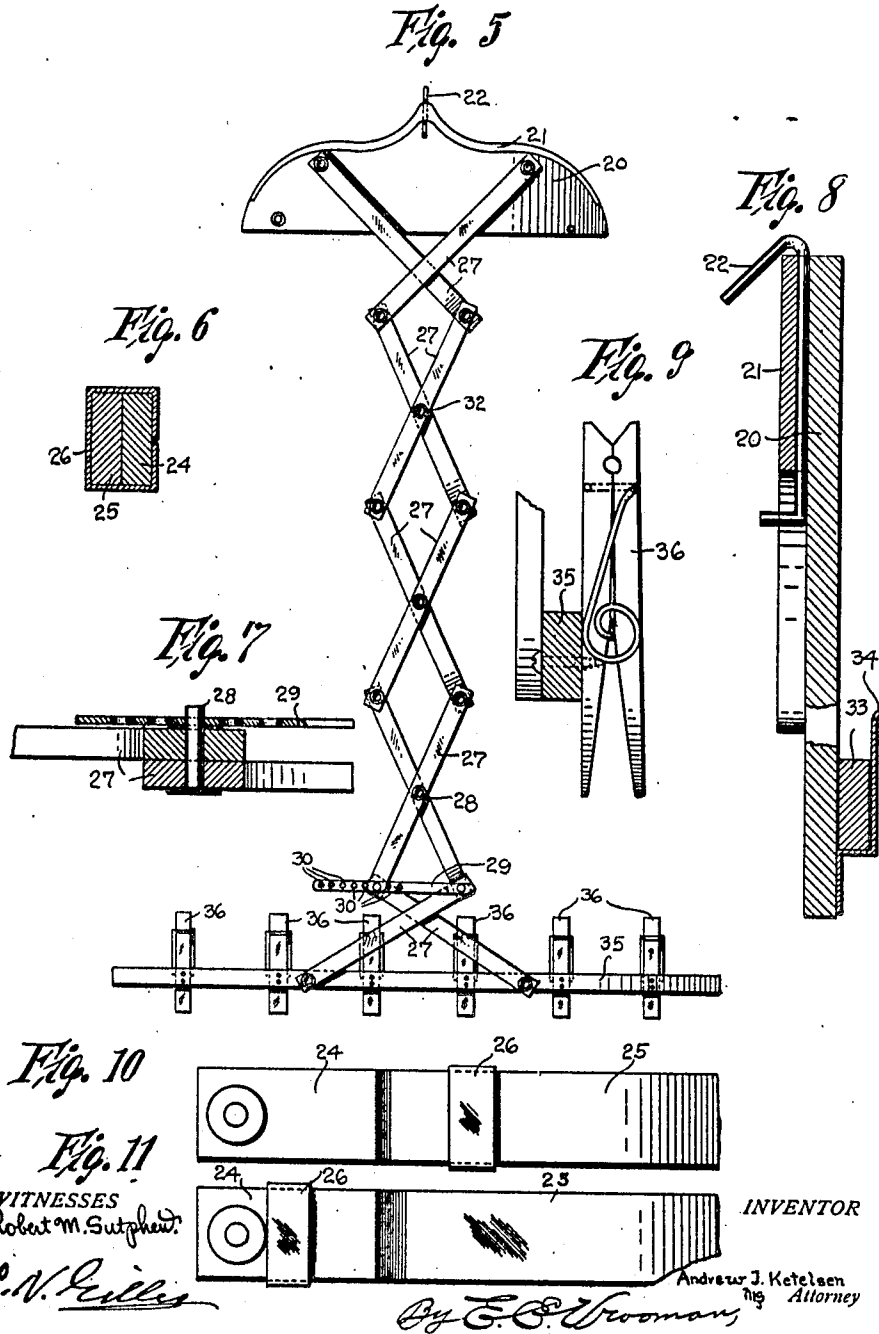
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ANDREW J. KETELSEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Seattle, in the county of King and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment Hangers and Stretchers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention relates to trousers hangers and the principal object of the same is to improve and simplify hangers of this description.

With the above and other objects in view, 15 the invention consists in general of certain novel constructions, combinations and arrangements of parts, as will be hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the drawings, and specifically claimed.

20 In the accompanying drawings, like characters of reference indicate like parts in the several views, and Figure 1 is a side elevation of a trousers hanger constructed in accordance with this invention, the parts being shown unfolded. Fig. 2 is a similar 25 view of the parts folded. Fig. 3 is a view from the rear of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a certain bar used in connection herewith. Fig. 5 is a view similar to 30 Fig. 1 but showing the garment hanger arranged to hold the lower edge of a skirt or the like. Fig. 6 is a section on the line 6-6, Fig. 1. Fig. 7 is a partial detail section on the line 7-7, Fig. 1. Fig. 8 is a 35 detail view of the means for suspending the garment hanger. Fig. 9 is a detail view of a skirt clip used in connection herewith. Figs. 10 and 11 are views showing the manner of holding the lower clamp closed and 40 of releasing the same to permit of its being opened.

This garment hanger is provided with a head 20, the upper edge of which is curved and provided with a flat strip 21 that projects beyond the front of said head. A suspending hook 22 extends through this strip 45 and has its lower end bent at an angle so as to prevent the withdrawal of the hook. The base of the hanger is composed of a 50 horizontal bar 23 one end whereof is provided with an offset abutment 24. The clamping lever 25 has one end pivotally con-

nected to one end of the bar 23 while the other end of said clamping lever fits against the inner end of the abutment and is held 55 in position by a ring 26 which slides over the lever 25 to retain the bar and lever in clamping relation. The head and base are connected by a system of toggle levers or lazy tongs 27 which are held together to rotate about the pivot pins 28. On one of the 60 pivot pins 28 there is also pivoted a locking arm 29 having a series of perforations 30 in its free end; on the joint opposite that to which this arm is pivoted the rivet carries 65 a projecting end 31 adapted to be received in one of the openings 30 to adjust the device and hold the same when so adjusted. The upper-most central joint of the system is likewise provided with a projecting end 70 32 on the rivet, thus enabling the device to be locked in folded position by the engagement of one of the openings 30 with such projecting end.

As can be seen by reference to Fig. 3 there 75 is provided a locking arm 33 pivoted at one end adjacent one end of the head while its other end is received in a clip 34 when the arm is in locked position.

When it is desired to use the device as a 80 skirt holder the base construction is varied by extending the same in length and providing along a bar 35 a series of spring clips 36.

It is to be noted that by reason of the hook construction at 22, the hook is slidable 85 up and down in the opening where it is received so that when the device is closed by pushing down upon the hook the same may be packed closely together and the end of the hook will not project and injure persons' 80 hands or clothing.

There has thus been provided a simple and efficient device of the kind described and for the purpose specified.

Having thus described the invention, what 95 is claimed as new, is:—

A garment hanger and stretcher comprising a head provided with a projecting strip in its upper part, a hook slidably and rotatably mounted between said head and said 100 strip, said strip provided with a centrally located curved pocket upon its under side, the inner end of said hook bent at right angles to the body portion thereof and fit-

ting in said curved pocket when said hook is  
partially withdrawn and placed upon a sup-  
port, whereby said stretcher is held against  
rotation relative to said hook, the outer end  
5 of said hook conforming in contour to the  
shape of said head for forming a substan-  
tially even surface upon the upper part of  
said head so as to allow said stretcher to be

placed in a small place when in a contracted  
position.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my  
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