

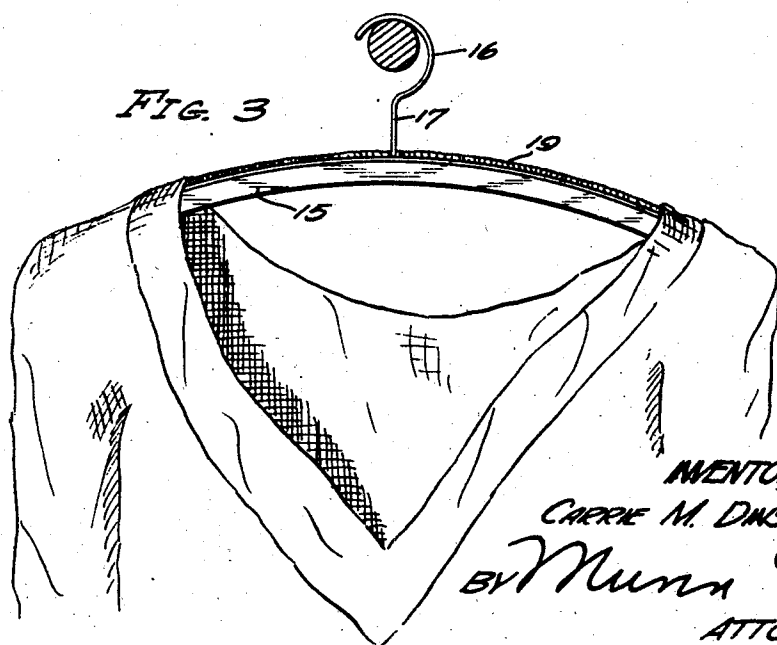
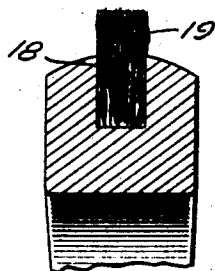
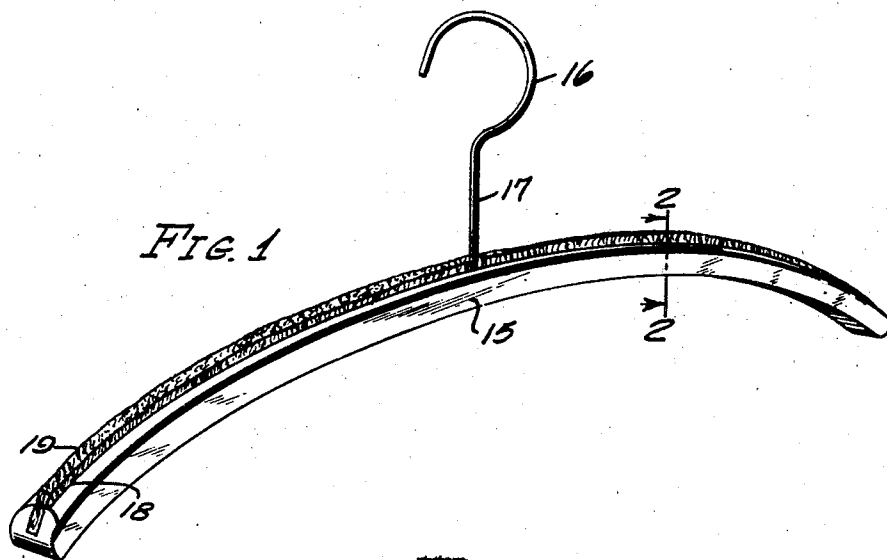
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My invention relates to hangers for coats and other forms of garments, and it has for a purpose the provision of a hanger having secured thereon a strip of fabric constructed, cut, and arranged on the hanger to present its fibers uppermost or upstanding so as to produce a surface sufficiently rough or cohesive to prevent slipping of garments from the hanger.

My invention is further characterized by its simplicity, low cost of manufacture, and its ability to maintain even the lightest and most delicate garments against slipping from the hanger, and yet permitting ready removal of the garments therefrom without fear of tearing the garments.

I will describe only one form of coat hanger embodying my invention and will then point out the novel features in claim.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a view showing in perspective one form of coat hanger embodying my invention;

Fig. 2 is an enlarged vertical sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1; and

Fig. 3 is a view showing the coat hanger in front elevation and with a garment applied thereto.

In carrying out my invention, I provide a coat hanger having an arcuate body 15 formed of wood or other suitable material which is adapted to be suspended from any support by the conventional hook 16, the shank 17 of which is secured within the body. The upper side of the body is formed with a groove 18 preferably coextensive in length with the body and of a depth to receive a strip of fabric 19 which likewise is preferably of the same length as the hanger body. The fabric strip is secured on edge within the groove 18 in any suitable manner such as by gluing or cementing therein, and to accommodate the hook shank 17 the strip is split or divided as shown.

The fabric of which the strip 19 is formed is such that when secured in the groove the ends of the fibers or threads are presented to the upper edge of the strip for the purpose of producing an edge or surface above the hanger body which will be sufficiently rough

or adhesive in respect to the fabric of any garment placed on the hanger as to engage the garment with such a degree of security as to prevent the garment slipping from the hanger even when the hanger is tilted.

In the present instance, I employ a strip formed of felt as it is relatively cheap; may be easily applied and secured with in the groove; and when presented on edge its fibers or threads provide the necessary gripping property to securely retain the lightest garment on the hanger even when only partly engaging the hanger, as illustrated in Fig. 3.

By reason of the fact that the upstanding fibers extend an appreciable distance above the surface of the hanger body, they are free to flex in any direction but to a limited degree under the weight of a garment thereon. This flexing action of the fibers causes the projecting part of the strip to assume various positions both transversely and longitudinally thereof which cause the strip to effectively retain a garment from slipping off the hanger or from shifting transversely of the hanger.

Although I have herein shown and described only one form of coat hanger embodying my invention, it is to be understood that various changes and modifications may be made herein without departing from the spirit of the invention and the spirit and scope of the appended claim.

I claim:

A garment hanger having a longitudinally curved body provided with a groove in its upper surface co-extensive in length with the body, and a strip of fibrous material secured within said groove so that all of its fibers are upstanding and projecting an appreciable distance beyond the surface of the body so as to cause a portion of the material to flex in any direction under the weight of a garment supported on the hanger.

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