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Fig. 1.

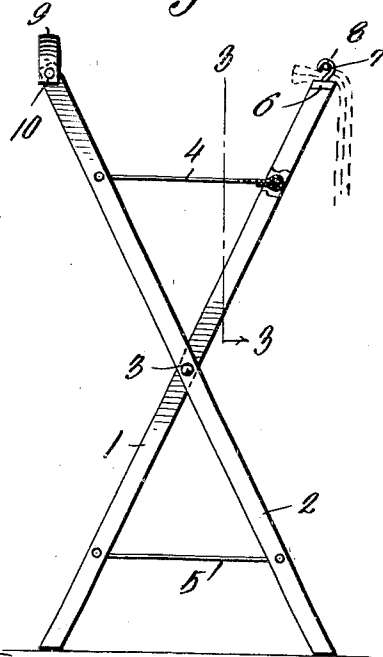
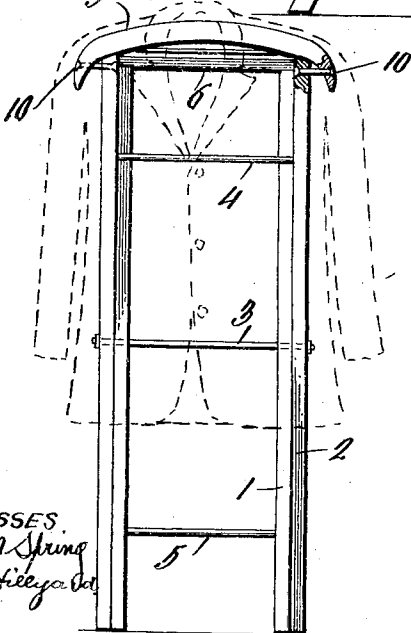
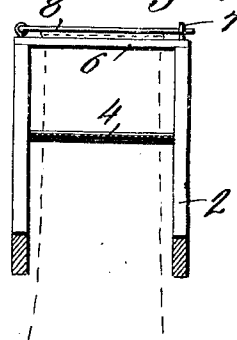


Fig. 2.



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Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FELIX FOLMAR, a citizen of the United States, residing at Oklahoma City, in the county of Oklahoma and State of Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Horses, of which the following is a specification.

This invention provides a device designed chiefly for receiving the clothing when disrobing at night preliminary to retiring.

One of the objects of the invention is the provision of an article which is light, cheap adapted to be easily manipulated and capable of being readily folded into compact form so as not to occupy any appreciable space and which when set up for use is adapted to support the outer garments such as a coat and trousers in a manner to prevent their wrinkling.

The drawings illustrate a preferred embodiment of the invention. However, it is to be understood that in adapting the same to meet different conditions, various changes in the form, proportion and minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the nature of the invention as hereinafter claimed.

The accompanying drawings illustrate the improved clothes horse and on reference thereto:—

Figure 1 is a side view of the device.

Fig. 2 is a front view, the dotted lines illustrating a coat supported on the coat tree,

Fig. 3 is a sectional detail on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1 looking to the right as designated by the arrow.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in the several views of the drawings by like reference characters.

The device comprises two similar members 1 and 2 which are pivotally connected intermediate their ends to admit of the members folding into the same plane so as to occupy a minimum amount of space.

Each of the members comprises side bars which are properly spaced and connected so as to maintain the spaced relation. A rod 3 pivotally connects the members 1 and 2 and also serves to fix the relative position of the bars thereof.

Shelves 4 and 5 are connected to the bars of the respective members 1 and 2. These shelves are flexible and consist preferably of textile material so as to fold readily with the members. It is to be understood that the elements 4 and 5 are connected to the bars of the respective members in such manner as to limit the unfolding of the members and to fold therewith when the device is reduced to a compact form. When the device is set up for use, the parts 4 and 5 constitute shelves to receive sundry articles of clothing such as the collar, necktie, socks, and the like. The ends of the parts 4 and 5 may be reinforced by rods and such rods may serve to connect the parts to the side bars of the members thereby bracing the side bars and holding them spaced apart the required distance.

The side bars comprising the member 1 are connected at their upper ends by means of a cross piece 6. A catch 7 is provided at one end of the cross piece 6 and a rod 8 is pivotally connected to the opposite end of said cross piece and its free end is adapted to be engaged by the catch 7, as shown most clearly in Fig. 3. The cross piece 6 and rod 8 constitute parts of a clamp for engaging and retaining a pair of trousers in position as indicated most clearly by the dotted lines in Figs. 1 and 3.

The side bars comprising the member 2 are connected at their upper ends by means of a tree 9 which consists of a bar upwardly curved between its ends and having pivotal connection at its ends to the respective side bars comprising the member 2. The ends of the coat tree 9 project beyond the side bars of the member 2 and curve downwardly and receive pivot fastenings 10 by means of which the coat tree is pivotally connected to the bars of the member 2. By having the coat tree pivotally connected to the member 2 it may be adjusted so as to properly support the coat or other garment to be sustained thereby.

It is to be understood that the pivot fastenings 10 are of such a nature as to maintain a frictional engagement between the coat tree and the supporting bars to hold the coat tree in the adjusted position.

The preferable form of fastenings 10 consists of screws or bolts which may be ad-

justed to secure the proper frictional engagement between the coat tree and supporting bars.

When the device is not required for use it is folded so that the members occupy practically the same plane. When the device is set up for use, the members are spread substantially as indicated in Fig. 1 and are maintained in the spread position by means of the shelves 4 and 5 which also act as braces. The coat or other garment is placed upon the tree 9. The trousers are held between the elements 6 and 8 of the trousers clamp. The collar, necktie, socks and the like may be placed upon the shelves 4 and 5. It will thus be understood that the article is adapted to receive the clothing removed at night when retiring. During the day the device may be folded and laid aside so as to be out of the way. The construction is such that the device may be easily and conveniently handled and does not entail any very great amount of expense in its manufacture.

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

1. A clothes horse of the character specified comprising two members pivotally connected intermediate of their ends, upper and lower shelves of flexible material connecting corresponding ends of the members and serving as braces to limit their opening movement, a coat tree at the upper end of one of the members and a trousers clamp at the upper end of the other member.

2. In a clothes horse of the character specified, spaced side bars, a coat tree curving throughout its length and having its end portions projecting beyond said side bars and fastenings pivotally connecting the ends of the coat tree to the respective side bars.

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

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