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Fig. 1.

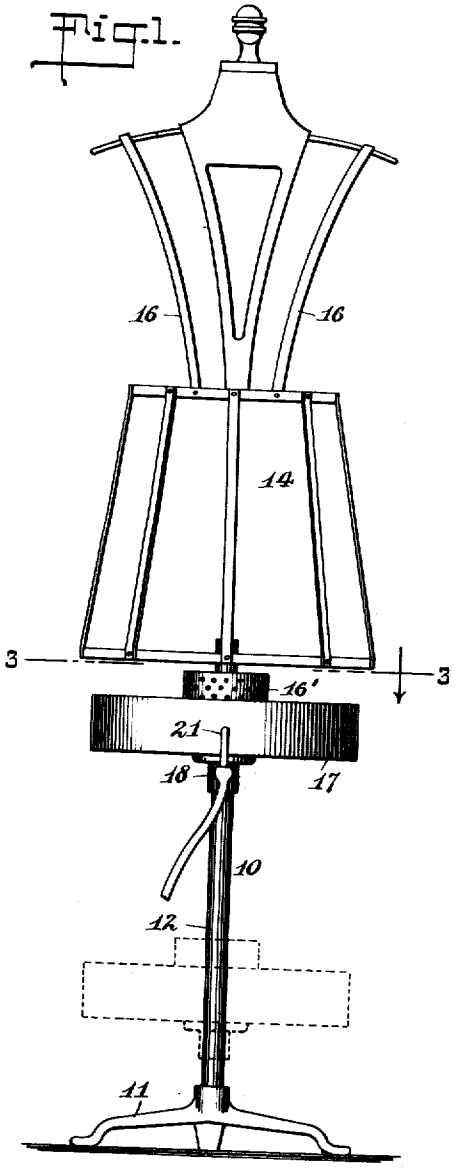


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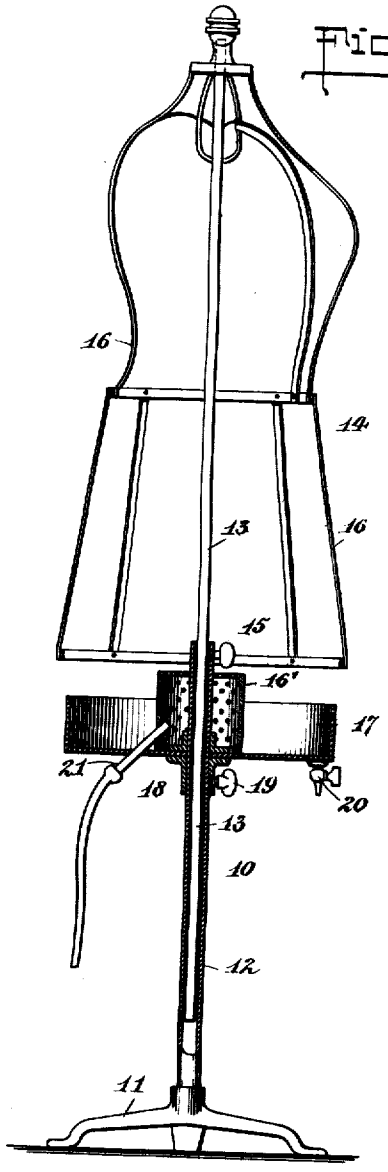
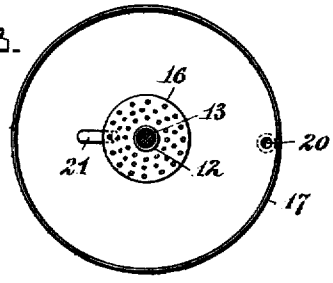


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NATHAN RUBENSTEIN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county of New York and State of New York, have made and invented certain new and useful Improvements in Apparatus for Renovating Wearing-Apparel, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an apparatus for renovating wearing apparel, and particularly coats or other garments formed of pile fabric, such as near-plush, plush, velvets, etc. In use, or when the coats are laid one upon another, the nap or fabric becomes pressed down, causing the coat or garment to possess a shabby or old appearance, and the cloth or fabric to take on different shades and colorings. The action of steam upon this class of goods causes the nap or fabric to stand out and to assume its normal position, whereby the shabby appearance of the garment is entirely removed and the different color shades disappear, so that the garment possesses a new and pleasing appearance. In my present invention, I have provided an apparatus for efficiently and thoroughly steaming garments.

In accomplishing the aforementioned ends, I have provided an apparatus which may be adjusted to accommodate coats and garments of different sizes, wherein the steaming of the garment takes place in an efficient, and expeditious manner, suitable means being provided for the reception of the water of condensation.

Other objects and advantages will appear as the description proceeds, wherein it is to be understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention can be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit thereof.

The preferred embodiment of my invention is disclosed in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation of an apparatus embodying the characteristic features of my invention;

Fig. 2 is a view in side elevation thereof, and partially in section;

Fig. 3 is a view in horizontal section taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Referring specifically to the several views, a stand 10 is provided, and is composed of a base 11, from which projects an upright tubular supporting pedestal 12. A vertical supporting rod 13 has the lower extremity thereof adjustably mounted within the tubular pedestal 12 and is locked in its adjusted positions by a set screw 15. A coat or garment form 14 is mounted upon the vertical supporting rod 13, and is preferably composed of thin strips 16 suitably braced and constructed so as to hold a coat or other garment in proper shape and in an unwrinkled and uncreased condition. Situated below the coat form, and adjustably mounted upon the pedestal 12, is the steam-distributing chamber 16′ and the water-receiving receptacle 17. For practical reasons, a collar 18 is provided, and supports the water-receiving receptacle and the steam-distributing chamber and holds them in adjusted positions by means of a set screw 19 which engages the pedestal 12. An outlet valve or spigot 20 communicates with the water-receiving receptacle and allows such water as condenses and collects therein to be drained off. Steam is admitted to the steam-distributing chamber by a steam supply pipe 21, the same extending through suitable openings provided therefor in the water-receiving receptacle 17 and the steam-distributing chamber 16′. The steam-distributing chamber has the walls and top perforated so that the steam as it issues therefrom is distributed in a uniform manner throughout the entire interior of the coat form and the interior of the chamber defined by the garment which is arranged upon the form.

In use, a coat or other garment is placed upon the form 14 and live steam is supplied to the steam-distributing chamber, which, upon issuing therefrom, completely fills the chamber defined by the garment. The garment, extending down to the sides of the water-receiving receptacle, prevents the escapement of steam, so that practically all of the steam passes through the fabric of which the garment is composed, and in so doing completely renovates the same, the fabric entirely losing its worn and creased appearance. The adjustable mounting of the form allows coats of different lengths to be supported thereon. In steaming coats of different lengths, the steam-distributing chamber and the water-receiving receptacle are adjusted so as to be positioned at the lower edge of the coat, so that the entire garment may be easily, quickly and efficiently steamed and renovated.

What I claim is:—

1. An apparatus of the class described comprising a base including a pedestal, a garment form supported upon said pedestal, a tray mounted upon said pedestal, a steam-distributing chamber carried by said tray, and means for supplying steam to said steam-distributing chamber.

2. An apparatus of the class described comprising a base including a pedestal, a garment form consisting of spaced thin strips mounted upon said pedestal, a tray located below said garment form and mounted upon said pedestal, a steam-distributing chamber carried by said tray, and means for supplying steam to said steam-distributing chamber.

3. An apparatus of the class described comprising a base including a pedestal, a garment form adjustably mounted upon said pedestal and including spaced rods, a water-receiving tray adjustably mounted upon said pedestal, below said garment form, the tray approximating in width the width of the lower extremity of the garment form, said form and tray being adjustable with respect to their vertical positions and with respect to each other, a centrally disposed steam-distributing chamber carried by said tray, means for supplying steam to said steam-distributing chamber, and means for draining off the water from said tray.

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