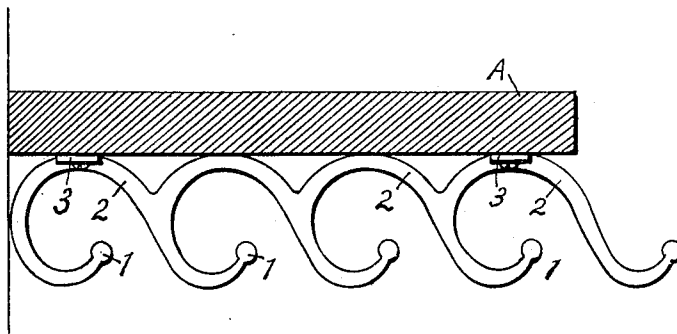


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM V. ANDERSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Toledo, county of Lucas, State of Ohio, have invented an Improvement in Closet and Wardrobe Hooks; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the drawings forming a part of this specification.

This invention relates to hooks for supporting garments and other articles and has particular reference to that type which comprises a series of hooks particularly adapted for attachment to the under side of a closet shelf.

The object of my invention is to provide a simple, strong and durable device of this character which will present all of the hook terminals in substantially a horizontal plane to insure spacing of garments or other articles hung upon said terminals, and my invention consists in the construction substantially as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawing, the figure represents a side elevation of a device embodying my invention, the same being shown as secured to the under side of a shelf, the latter being shown in section and indicated at A.

The device may be made of wire, or cast or stamped metal. In any event, all of the hooks of the series are integral and in a straight row. The terminals of the hooks are indicated at 1 and are shown as slightly enlarged at their tips or ends, although I do not limit myself to this feature. The upper portion of the device comprises a series of arches 2, the tops or backs of which are substantially in alinement, and one or more of said arches being provided with ears 3 by means of which, and suitable screws, the device may be secured to the under side of a shelf. It is to be understood, however, that I do not limit myself to the specific structure of the attaching ears 3. Each hook proper curves downward from the point of junction of the arches and is then curved upward toward the point of junction of the next two

arches. It is to be understood that this description of the structure applies to all of the intermediate hooks and not to the hook at each end of the series. The rearmost hook is formed simply by a continuation of the curve of the rearmost arch 2, while the front hook of the series is a forward continuation of the foremost arch 2.

As will be seen, the structure described presents the tops of the arches 2 so that a bearing portion or what might be termed the base of the device, is in one plane and the terminals 1 of the hooks, are in another but substantially parallel plane. There is, therefore, a certain fixed uniformity in the placing and arrangement of all of the hook terminals of the series so that the articles are readily guided to and from position of engagement with the hook terminals and are equally spaced when hung.

The arched portions 2 serve to brace and strengthen all the intermediate hooks of the series, and the back of each hook, excepting the rearmost one, will serve to guide an article to and from position of engagement with the hook behind it. It is to be understood that the number of hooks in the device may vary and that a greater number of attaching ears or lugs might be employed.

These devices economize closet and wardrobe room, by rendering all of the space under the shelves available for suspending articles, and by attaching the device to the back of the closet, and also to the inside of the closet door, the entire space within the closet may be filled, with all of the articles definitely and properly spaced, each hanging upon its individual hook, and so that an article can be hung upon or taken from its own individual hook without disturbing anything upon any other hook.

When the device consists of four or five, or more, hooks, and two ears 3 or equivalent attaching means are employed, the entire series or set of hooks may be secured in position with the same amount of labor that would be required to put up only two hooks.

Having now described my invention what I claim is:

A device of the character described, comprising a multiplicity of integral hooks in a row, the terminals of the hooks being curved upwardly and the connecting portions between each two hooks being arched, means
5 being provided for attaching the device to a support, the base or bearing portion and the

series of terminals being in substantially parallel planes.

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