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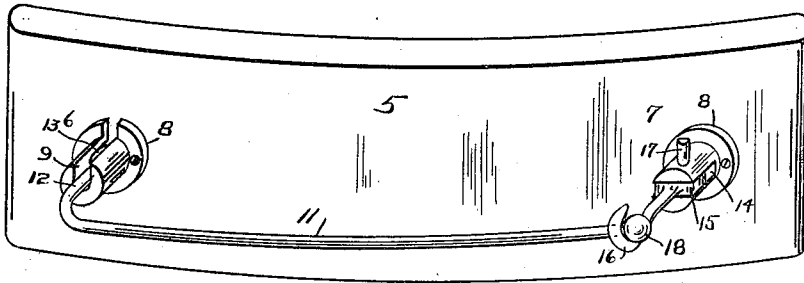


FIG. 1

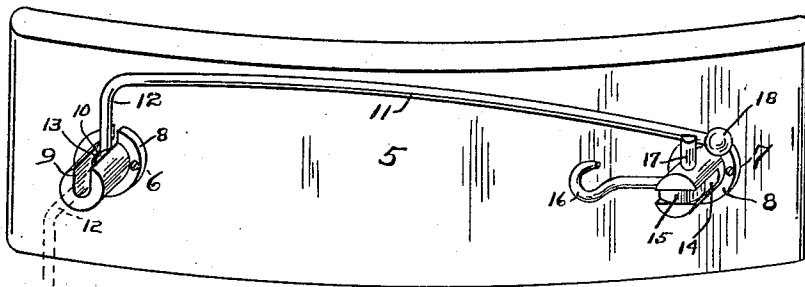


FIG. 2

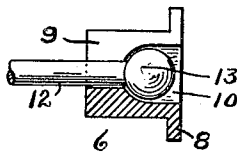


FIG. 3

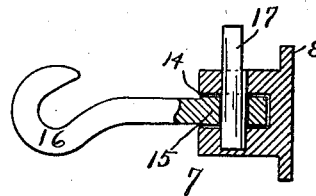


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH H. NELSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Sioux City, in the county of Woodbury and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Hangers for Auditorium-Seats, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to garment hangers, and more particularly to articles of this class adapted to be mounted on the backs of the seats of auditoriums, and like public places.

The invention has for its primary object the production of an improved garment hanger upon which garments may be conveniently placed and removed.

Another object of the invention is the production of an improved garment hanger so constructed as to not be an obstruction when not in use.

A further object of the invention is the production of an improved garment hanger, inexpensive in manufacture and highly efficient in operation.

With these and other objects in view, the invention, consisting in the construction, combination and novel arrangement of parts, will be fully understood from the following description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings which form a part of this application, and in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views, of which:—

Figures 1 and 2 are perspective views of a back of a seat equipped with the device of my invention in positions of use and disuse, respectively; Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section of the rod-bracket; and Fig. 4 is a similar view of the hooked bracket.

Although I have illustrated and herein-after described the preferred embodiment of the invention, I would not be understood as being limited to the specific structure chosen for illustration, for various alterations and modifications in the details of construction and arrangement of parts, may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

Referring, now, to the illustrations, 5 is the upper part of a seat, or chair, on the rear side of which are brackets, 6 and 7, preferably comprising cylindrical members provided with radial flanges, 8, adapted to be

secured by screws, or otherwise, to the support, 5.

The bracket, 6, is provided with a longitudinal groove, 9, communicating with a bore, 10, in the flanged end of the bracket.

11 is a garment-supporting rod, having a laterally bent end portion, 12, freely entering the slotted portion, 9, of the bracket and provided on its extreme end with a spherical boss, 13, inclosed by the bore, 10.

The bracket, 7, is bifurcated horizontally, as at 14, to inclose an eye, 15, on the shank of a hook, 16, extending horizontally from the bracket. The said eye is pivoted in the bracket on a pin, 17, extending downwardly through the bracket.

The lateral arm of the supporting rod rests normally in the groove, 9, as presented in Fig. 1 whereby downward and horizontal displacement of the arm is prevented.

The opposite end portion of the supporting rod is normally engaged and supported by the hook, 16, displacement of the hook being prevented by a boss, 18, on the end of the rod.

The rod is preferably of spring material and must be sprung over the hook to be engaged thereby.

In placing the garment on the hanger, the garment is slipped over the free end of the rod prior to engagement with the hook. To remove the garment it is only necessary to free the rod from the hook.

Inasmuch as the garments are not drawn between the rod and support, 5, it is evident that the rod need not be spaced far from the support.

When not in use, the hook, 16, may be swung adjacent the support, 5, and the rod may be turned upwardly adjacent the support, as shown in Fig. 2, in which position the free end of the rod, rests on the bracket, 7, and intermediate the flange thereof and the protruding end of the pin, 17.

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

1. A garment hanger comprising a bracket adapted to be secured to a support and including a longitudinally-grooved arm having a bore in one end thereof, a garment-supporting rod having a lateral arm at one end adapted to rest in the groove of the bracket arm and provided with a boss freely inclosed by said bore, and means for releasably supporting the free end of said rod at

substantially the same height as the other end.

2. A garment hanger comprising a bracket adapted to be secured to a support and including a longitudinally-grooved arm hav-
5 ing a bore in one end thereof, a garment-supporting rod having a lateral arm at one end adapted to rest in the groove of the bracket arm and provided with a boss freely

inclosed by said bore, a second bracket 10 adapted to be mounted on the support, and a hook pivoted thereon to swing horizontally and engageable with the free end of the supporting rod.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set 15 my hand.

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