

(No Model.)

S. A. CRONE.

GARMENT HANGER FOR CAR OR OTHER SEATS.

No. 533,276.

Patented Jan. 29, 1895.

Fig: 1.

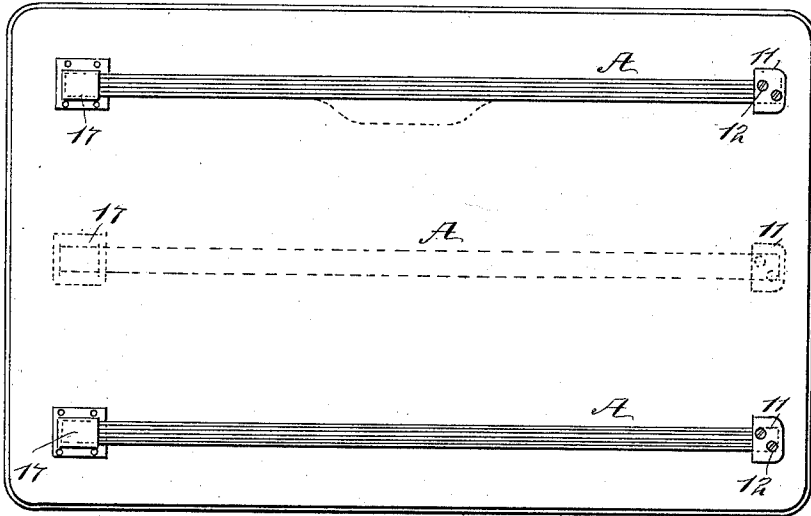


Fig: 3.

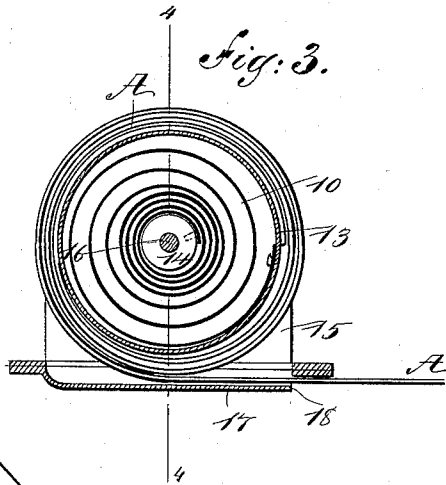


Fig: 4.

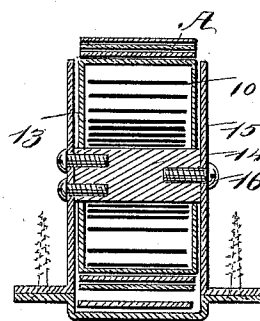
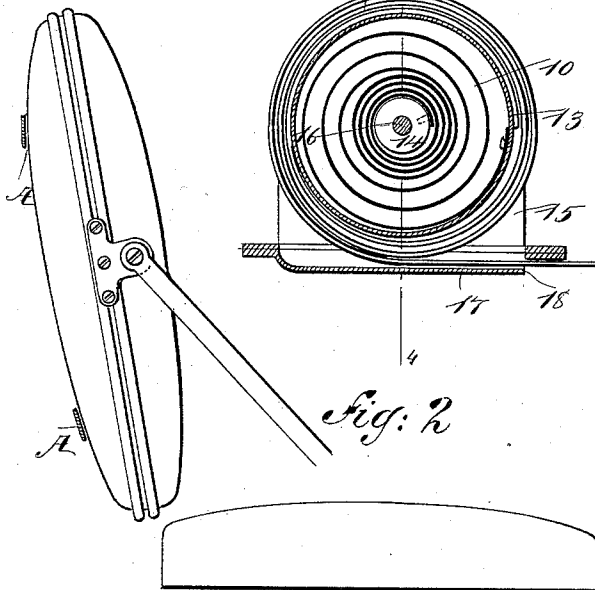


Fig: 2.



WITNESSES:

Chas. Crone
C. Sedgwick

INVENTOR

S. A. Crone

BY

Munn & Co

ATTORNEYS.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

SETH A. CRONE, OF NEW YORK, N. Y.

GARMENT-HANGER FOR CAR OR OTHER SEATS.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 533,276, dated January 29, 1895.

Application filed July 2, 1894. Serial No. 516,293. (No model.)

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SETH A. CRONE, of New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Garment-Hanger for Car or other Seats, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a garment hanger for car or other seats, and it has for its object to provide a device capable of being attached to the back of any seat, especially to the back of a car seat, and to so construct the device that it will be exceedingly simple, durable and economic, and whereby further the device will be capable of receiving a very bulky or a very small garment or other article, and wherein the moment the article supported by the device is removed, the device will automatically flatten itself or closely hug the seat back.

A further object of the invention is to provide a device which will be exceedingly simple and effective.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar figures and letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a rear view of a car seat back, having the device applied thereto. Fig. 2 is an end view of a car seat and its back, the device being shown in section. Fig. 3 is a vertical section through a spring-controlled device adapted to be used in connection with the body of the hanger; and Fig. 4 is likewise a section through the spring-controlled device, said section being taken at right-angles to the section shown in Fig. 3 and practically on the line 4-4 of said figure.

In carrying out the invention the body A of the hanger consists of a strap, which strap, is controlled by a spring 10, located at one end of the strap. The end of the strap which is free from the spring device, is secured to the back of the seat near one end of the back by means of a plate 11 and screws 12, or any other form of fastening device or clamp. The

opposite end of the strap is connected with the spring 10, preferably as shown in Figs. 3 and 4, in which the strap is shown as secured to the periphery of a hollow drum 13, said drum being mounted to turn loosely upon a spindle 14, which spindle is secured in a casing 15, preferably of a circular character, through the medium of screws 16, passed through the sides of the casing and into the spindle, as shown in Fig. 4.

One end of the spring 10, is fastened in any approved manner to the fixed spindle 14, while the opposite end of the spring is secured to the peripheral surface of the hollow drum 13, as illustrated in Fig. 3; and the spring 10, when expanding, will turn the drum 13 in such manner as to cause any slack in the strap A, to be wound around the exterior surface of the drum.

The casing 15, may inclose entirely both the drum and the strap, or it may partially inclose the drum and expose a portion of the strap wound upon it, as shown in Fig. 4. The casing 15 is provided with a face plate 17, and the said face plate has an opening 18 produced in it, usually at one end, through which the strap is entered to connect with the drum. Preferably in attaching the hanger to an upholstered back, the drum and casing are concealed from view, the face plate 17 only being located upon the outer face of the back, as shown in Fig. 1.

In practice a single hanger may be located for example at the central portion of the seat back, extending nearly from end to end as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2 or one of the hangers may be placed in like manner near the upper and the lower edge of the seat back, in order that one of the hangers will always be at hand, no matter in what direction the seat back may be turned. It is evident that by removing the screws connecting the casing with one end of the spindle 14, the screw at the opposite end may be turned and cause the spindle to turn also, and thereby wind up the spring should it not have sufficient tension. Furthermore, if in practice it is found desirable, the body or strap A may be made wider at its central portion than at its ends as is also shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1, forming thereby a pocket for small packages, but the

enlargement of the strap may be made at both of its side edges instead of at one side edge as illustrated.

It is evident that this device may be expeditiously, conveniently and economically attached to any seat back, or to any support, for the purpose of holding garments or small articles; and that the device when placed in position upon a seat back will not detract from its appearance, or interfere with the movements or the comfort of a person seated adjacent to the back.

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

1. In a garment hanger the combination with a seat back, of a casing secured to the seat back near one end thereof, said casing being provided with a face plate having an opening at one end, a spring drum in the casing, and a strap having one end secured to

the drum and its other end passed out through the opening of the face plate and secured to the seat back at the end opposite that to which the casing is secured, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. In a garment hanger, the combination with a seat back, of the casing 15 secured to the seat back near one end thereof, and provided with the face plate 17, having opening 18 at one end and with the stationary spindle 14, the drum 14 mounted to turn on the spindle, the spring 10 secured to the spindle and drum, and a strap having one end secured to the drum and its other end secured to the seat back at the end opposite that to which the casing is secured, substantially as described.

SETH A. CRONE.

Witnesses:

J. FRED ACKER,
JNO. M. RITTER.