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A technical drawing of a shoe sole assembly, likely a patent illustration. The drawing shows a side view of the sole with various components labeled with numbers 1 through 10. Part 1 is the main sole body. Part 2 is a small rectangular piece at the heel. Part 3 is a strap or band across the sole. Part 4 is a small rectangular piece on the side. Part 5 is a small rectangular piece on the side. Part 6 is a small rectangular piece on the side. Part 7 is a small rectangular piece on the side. Part 8 is a small rectangular piece on the side. Part 9 is a small rectangular piece on the side. Part 10 is a small rectangular piece on the side. A signature 'H' is visible in the lower left corner.

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PISTOL-HOLSTER HANGER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK R. LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Capitola, in the county of Santa Cruz and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Pistol-Holster Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a means for suspending pistol holsters in such a manner as to render the pistol convenient for immediate withdrawal in case of an emergency, and to conveniently preserve the balance of the pistol when suspended.

It consists of a peculiarly curved wire frame and a means for permanently fixing it to the holster in such a manner that this suspensory frame may be readily attached either to the pocket or armhole of a vest.

It comprises also details of construction which will be more fully explained by reference to the accompanying drawing, in which the figure illustrates my invention.

This hanger is particularly adapted for use upon a spring-closed holster which is open at one side so as to allow the pistol to be drawn directly without lifting, (as shown in my patent for revolver holster, #981,292, January 10th, 1911), for the use of police officers, who, when in uniform, wear a belt outside of the coat and have the coat buttoned. It is especially adapted to be applied to the left rear hip pocket so that a pistol with the handle extending to the right can be readily reached and drawn laterally through the opening of the coat-tails with the right hand without lifting the flap of the coat. This hanger consists of a wire frame, the lower part of which is substantially rectangular, as shown at A. The vertical portion of one side of this frame is bent to form a bight, as at 2; then is bent diagonally, as at 3; then vertically, as at 4; and finally horizontally, as at 5. Upon the other side the vertical portion of the part A extends approximately half the height of the frame; then is bent inwardly in a curve, as shown at 6; thence it passes up and forms a bight, as at 7, substantially parallel with and is a short distance from the bight 2 of the other portion; thence it is curved downwardly, as at 8, with a return bend at 9 and the horizontal portion 10 which overlaps the horizontal portion 5 of the first named member. These overlapping portions are then stitched into a triangular

pocket in the side of the holster, as shown at 11 and 12; the stitching holding the two parts rigidly to the holster, and the overlapping end portions being thus firmly held form a reinforce to prevent any displacement thereof.

The lower horizontal member of the wire extends transversely, and it may be slightly curved outwardly, and this rectangular portion is of such size that it may be slipped into the rear pocket of a pair of trousers in such a position that the user can instantly grasp the handle of the pistol by reaching behind and inserting the hand between the coat-tails without other movement and in the same manner that he would reach for a handkerchief carried in a rear pocket of a frock coat. The curvature of the wires brings them substantially in the line of the weight of the pistol so that it hangs naturally and without any strain. Such pistols are often carried on the side under or in front of the arm by attaching them near the armhole of the vest. This hanger is equally capable of being applied to the armhole of the vest, and the two bights or curves 2 and 7 which extend upwardly are in such a position as to naturally fit beneath the arm of the wearer without binding.

My device forms a very convenient support readily applicable over the top of the trousers or any point where it is necessary or convenient for use, and it may be made both right and left to suit convenience.

The parts 6 and 8 of the hanger are curved so as to present a concave formation where the handle of the pistol lies when in place in the holster and this leaves the handle perfectly free to be grasped without interference.

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

1. A holster having a pocket formed upon one side and stitched to form substantially a triangular channel, in combination with a hanger, said hanger having arms bent to fit in said channel.

2. A hanger for pistol holsters comprising a wire having a rectangular portion at the lower end and having bights formed at the upper end, the portions of the wire between said bights being bent and curved to overlap each other and a holster leather having a substantially L-shaped channel formed to receive the bent portions of the wire, said

leather being stitched to form the channel and retain the overlapping ends of the wire in position.

3. The combination with a holster having
5 a pocket stitched to form a channel, of a hanger comprising a wire having overlapping ends and having one portion bent to a substantially vertical position and another portion forming a concave curve and fitting
10 the channel of the holster, said wire having separated portions extending upwardly from the point of attachment and bent to form bights at the upper ends, one portion

of the wire extending substantially vertically downward from its bight and another 15 portion being curved and the two uniting in a rectangular lower portion adapted to be fitted into the pocket or support of the wearer.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set 20 my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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