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Fig.1.

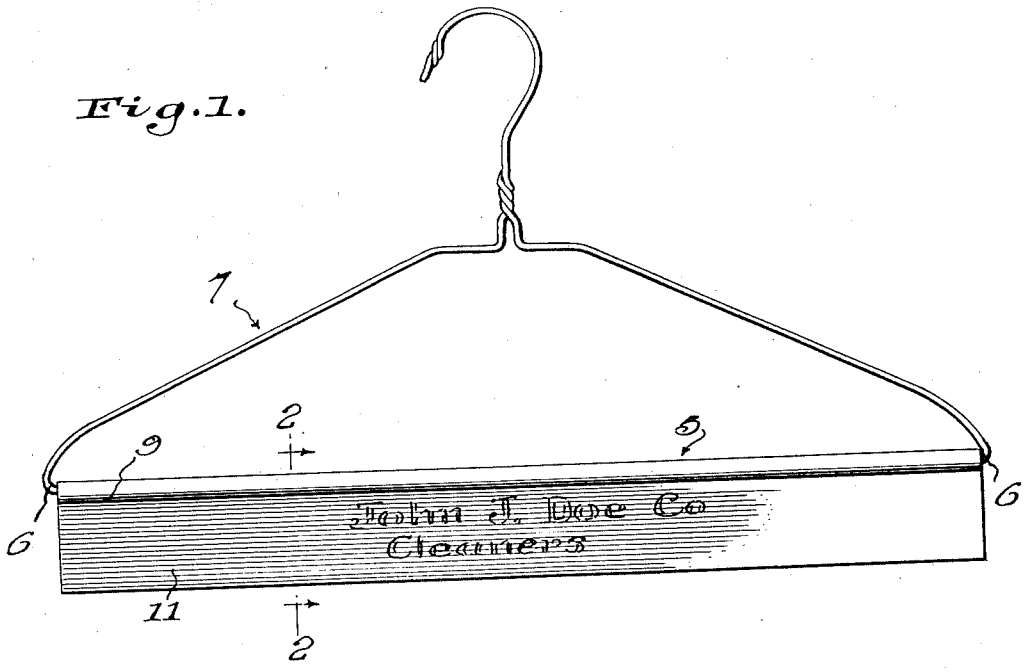


Fig.3.

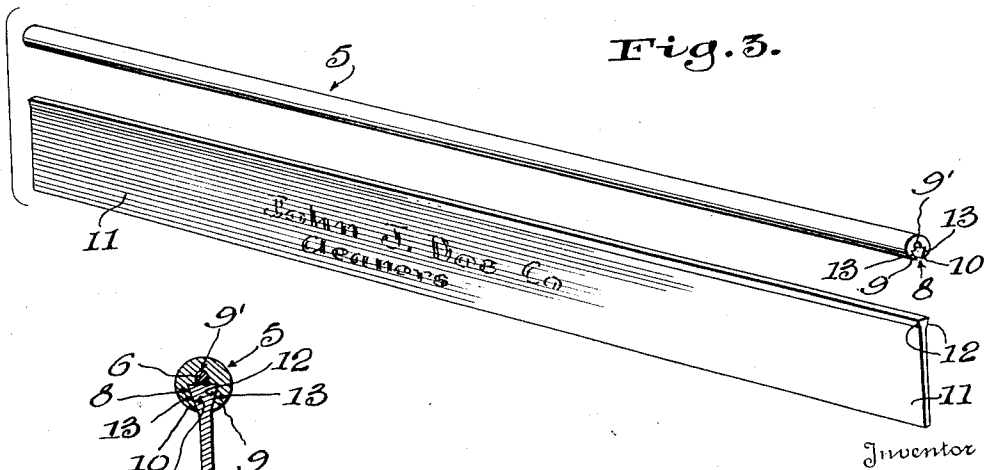


Fig.2.

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The invention aims to provide an exceptionally simple and inexpensive attachment for the lower horizontal rod of a conventional garment hanger, for the purpose of preventing said rod from seriously creasing garments hung thereon and to constitute an effective advertising medium.

With the foregoing in view, the invention resides in the novel subject matter hereinafter described and claimed, description being accomplished by reference to the accompanying drawing.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a conventional wire garment hanger showing the invention applied thereto.

Figure 2 is a vertical sectional view on line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a disassembled perspective view of the attachment.

A preferred construction has been illustrated and will be rather specifically described with the understanding, however, that minor variations may be made within the scope of the invention as claimed.

I provide a horizontally elongated rod 5 of wood or other preferred material, substantially as long as the usual lower rod 6 of a conventional garment hanger 7, said rod 5, however, being of much greater diameter than said rod 6. The lower side of the rod 5 is formed with a longitudinal groove 8, the upper portion 9' of which is preferably smaller than its lower portion, to receive the rod 6. The groove 8 is of a depth much greater than the diameter of the rod 6, whereby the front and rear portions 9 and 10 of the rod 5, project downwardly from said rod 6.

A thin flat horizontally elongated sign strip 11 of wood or other preferred material is provided to be suspended by the rod 5, the upper edge portion of said sign strip being received in the lower portion of the groove 8, between the downwardly projecting front and rear portions 9 and 10 of said rod 5. While the sign strip 11 could be secured to the rod 5 in any preferred way, I have shown said strip provided with downwardly converging faces 12 and the rod portions 9 and 10 have been shown with similar faces 13 contacting with said faces 12. These faces 12 and 13 are engageable with each other when the strip 11 is slid longitudinally into the groove 8, after engaging the rod 5 with the hanger rod 6.

The sign strip 11 constitutes an effective means for displaying any desired advertising or other printed matter and as said strip is normally disconnected from the rod 5, the printed matter may be easily applied thereto by means of any appropriate printing press. Obviously, the rod 5 provides effective means upon which to hang a garment without danger of creasing the latter, as invariably occurs if the garment be hung directly upon the rod 6.

While I have disclosed a one-piece formation for the rod 5, it is to be understood that said rod could be formed from a number of separate longitudinal sections secured together. Moreover, it is not essential that the rod 5 and sign strip 11 be connected in the manner herein disclosed. In all cases, however, the rod 5 or an equivalent thereof will constitute a tubular bead extending along the upper edge of the strip such as 11, even if this strip does not act as an advertising or other sign, said bead serving to prevent creasing of garments hung thereover and acting also as pivotal suspending means for the strip 11, permitting said strip to be folded substantially against the hanger for compactness, if desired.

Attention is invited to the fact that the attachment, when applied, strengthens the entire garment hanger, preventing it from bending out of shape. Thus, hangers formed from small wire and ordinarily used only for dresses and other very light garments may be used for trousers and other relatively heavy garments, thereby making it unnecessary for cleaners and merchants using the invention to purchase the heavier and more expensive hangers.

If desired, the strip 11 may be used as a straight-edge or ruler and it may have lines and numbers indicating inches or other units of measurement.

While preferred details have been illustrated, attention is again invited to the possibility of making variations within the scope of the invention as claimed.

I claim:

1. An attachment for a garment hanger, comprising a horizontally elongated rod having a longitudinal groove in its lower side to receive the usual lower rod of a wire garment hanger, said groove being of such depth that the front and rear portions of the first mentioned rod will project downwardly from the hanger rod, and a thin flat horizontally elongated strip disposed in a vertical plane and having an upper edge receivable between said downwardly projecting portions of said first mentioned rod to be pivotally suspended by this rod.

2. An attachment for a garment hanger, comprising a horizontally elongated rod having a longitudinal groove in its lower side to receive the usual lower rod of a wire garment hanger,

said groove being of such depth that the front and rear portions of the first mentioned rod will project downwardly from the hanger rod, and a thin flat horizontally elongated strip disposed in a vertical plane and having an upper edge receivable between said downwardly projecting portions of said first mentioned rod to be pivotally suspended by this rod, said upper edge of said strip and said downwardly projecting rod portions having coacting faces interengageable with each other by endwise sliding of said strip into said groove and active to hold said strip against downward movement from said groove.

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