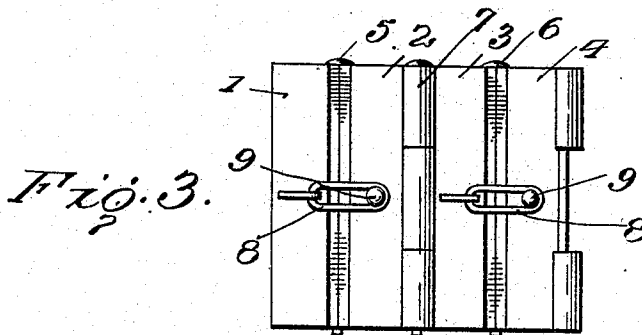
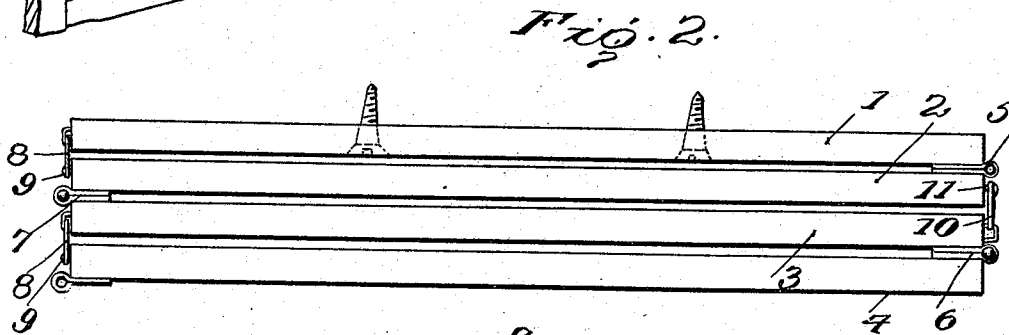
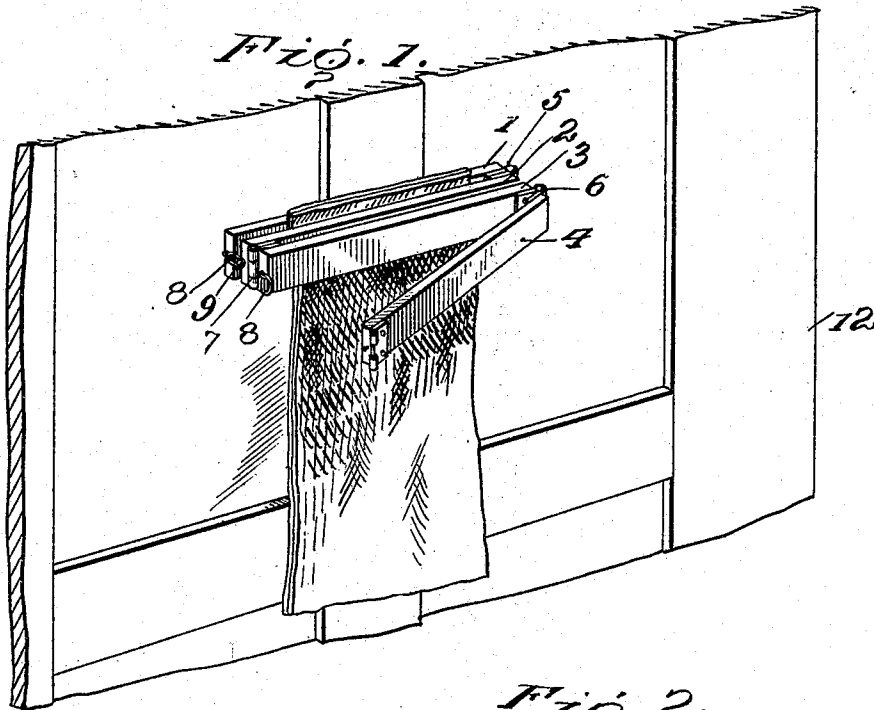


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE A. WILLARD, Jr., citizen of the United States, residing at Blair, in the county of Esmeralda and State of Nevada, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

The invention contemplates the construction and arrangement of a garment hanger, the principal object of which is to provide a simple, economical and compact device by means of which a number of pairs of trousers or skirts may be neatly and conveniently suspended, and arranged in such a manner as to best preserve their shape while occupying a minimum amount of space.

The invention comprises essentially a series of bars or clamping members hinged together at one extremity and properly spaced to receive and retain a pair of trousers or a skirt between each hinged section, and with such an arrangement, I am enabled to utilize one bar of each hanger section as a bar or clamping member for another hanger section, as will more fully hereinafter appear.

For a full understanding of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction and of the means for effecting the result, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the garment hanger and support; Fig. 2 is a top view of the hanger; and, Fig. 3 is an end view thereof.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

Referring to the drawings, the numerals 1, 2, 3 and 4 designate a series of bars or clamping members preferably constructed of wood and of sufficient length to accommodate the legs of a pair of trousers when folded flat or a skirt when properly folded at the waist band. The bars 1 and 2 and 3 and 4 constituting two hanger sections are secured together at one extremity by hinges 5 and 6 respectively, and held in proper spaced relation by the arrangement of the hinges upon the opposing or adjacent sides of the bars. At their opposite extremities, the bars 2 and 3 are secured together by a hinge 7 corresponding to the hinges 5 and 6, and held in spaced relation to each other whereby the opposing and adjacent clamp members of

two hanger sections are utilized to form a third section.

In order to retain the spaced and parallel relation of the bars to properly accommodate a garment without injury, links or rings 8 are secured to the free extremities of the bars 1 and 3 and extend over pins 9 secured to the extremities of the bars 2 and 4. A similar link 10 and pin 9 are secured to the opposite ends of the hinged extremities of the bars 2 and 3 and serve to hold said bars in a closed position to retain a garment in the third hanger section.

The device is supported in any desired location or position by supporting the bar 1 to a door 12 as by screws and when firmly held in position, the capacity of the hanger may be increased to accommodate a number of garments by the addition of bars or clamping members hinged and locked at their opposite extremities, as will be now stated.

The hinges 5, 6 and 7 are provided with loose pintles 10 which may be removed to disconnect the bars or clamping members when it is desired to remove or add one or a number of bars or hanger sections, and by means of which a conveniently and easily manipulated swinging connection is formed between the bar extremities. The hinged and folded arrangement of the bars and hanger sections will also permit of the introduction or removal of garment without disturbing garments secured by other hanger sections as will be readily understood.

With the arrangement of the several parts as shown, the device is rigidly secured to any suitable support or base, and the bar or clamping members are hinged at one of their extremities to permit of the introduction or withdrawal of a garment between the bars constituting the hanger sections. A garment, as for instance, a pair of trousers, will be folded so that the legs may be inserted between the bars 1 and 2, and 3, or 3 and 4, after which the bars are locked by the links or rings coöperating with the pins carried by the opposing or adjacent bars. The trousers will thus be supported without injurious pressure exerted upon the seams or overlapping portions of the fabric, owing to the spaced and parallel arrangement of the bars.

From the foregoing description in connection with the accompanying drawing, it will be apparent that I have provided an im-

proved garment hanger which is considerably more efficient in operation than the usual hangers of this character, and which owing to its economical construction may be
5 placed upon the market at a very reduced cost.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:—

10 A garment hanger comprising a base bar having means whereby it may be attached to a surface, and a plurality of bars arranged parallel to each other and in the same plane as the base bar, hinges on opposite ends of

each bar formed of detachable leaves, said hinges pivotally connecting the end of each bar to the next adjacent bar, removable pin-
15 tles connecting said leaves, and latches detachably connecting the ends of each two adjacent bars alternately arranged at opposite ends of the plurality of bars.

20 In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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