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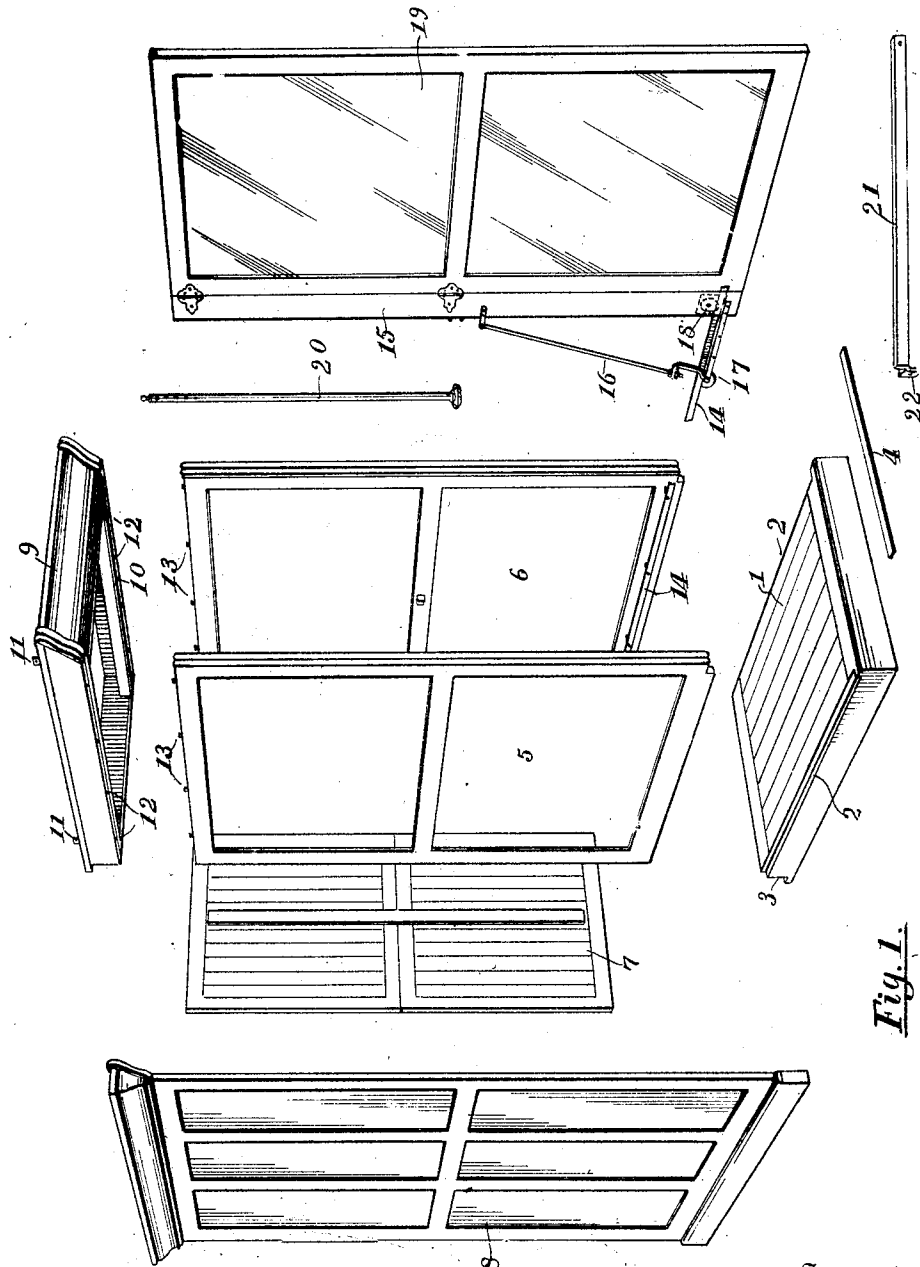


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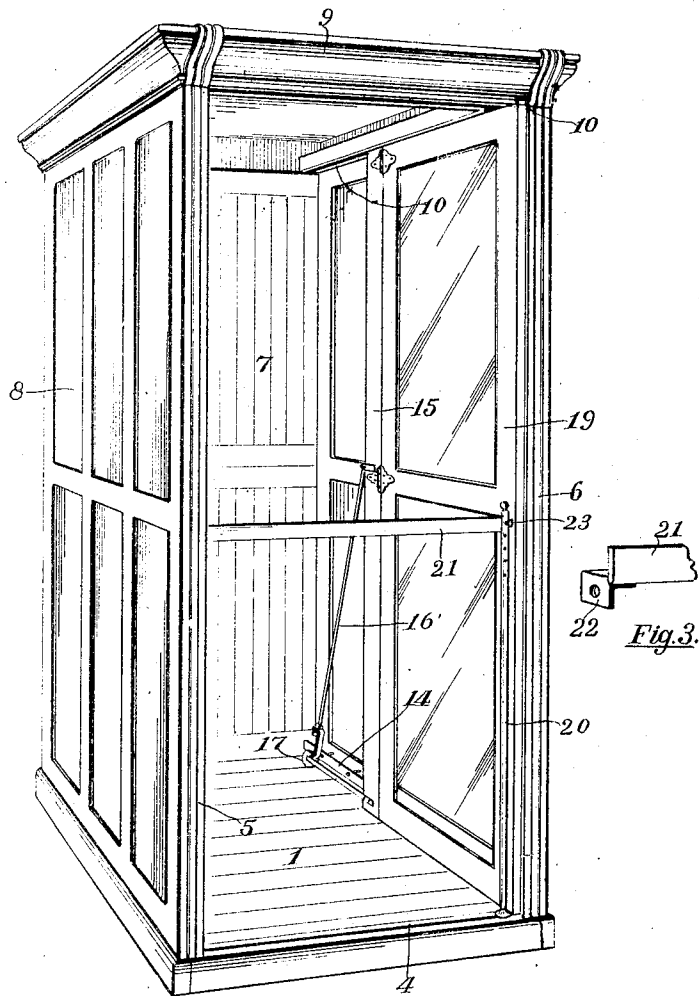


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NILS SWANSON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knockdown Wardrobes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in knockdown wardrobes, and its object is to provide means whereby a so-called disappearing door can be used in connection with a number of superposed series of garment supporting devices and to provide the same with various new and useful features herein-after more fully described and particularly pointed out in the claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1. represents my device with the parts separated; Fig. 2. the same with the parts assembled for use; and, Fig. 3. an enlarged detail of one end of the bar 21.

Like numbers refer to like parts in all of the figures.

I have shown my invention in a knockdown structure consisting of a base 1, provided with side rabbets 2 and a rear rabbet 3 to receive the sides and back of the device; 4 is a sill strip for the door to close against and to shut out the dust; 5 and 6 represent the respective sides of the device; 7 represents the back; 8 an auxiliary side having panels, cornice and a base to form a finish to the end of the structure. The sides 5 and 6 preferably consist of open frames merely, and a series of these wardrobes may be arranged consecutively with the finishing ends 8 at the outer ends of the series. Each section is provided with a detachable top 9 provided with a groove 10 to slidably receive the door and supporting stile therefor, which door and stile are slidable in this groove at the top and supported thereby. These top portions are also provided with perforated lugs 11 whereby they may be secured to each other in series by bolts passing through said lugs. In the under side of the top are openings or holes 12 to receive dowel pins 13 on the upper edges of the frames 5 and 6. On each right hand frame 6 of each compartment and

near the bottom thereof is a track 14 on which the stile 15 is carried, the stile being supported in vertical position by a rod 16 and the track engaged by wheels 17 and 18 to carry the stile thereon. The door 19 is hinged to the stile and carried thereby. Any convenient garment supports (not shown) may be placed in the top 9, and a further series of supports may be placed intermediate the top and base, for which latter purpose I provide a post 20 secured to the base and extending upward therefrom near the door, and a transverse bar 21 extends across the front, and is secured at one end to the side of the case by means of a perforated flange 22, the bar being attached at the other end to the post 20 by means of a screw or bolt 23.

By the construction shown, it will be observed that this device is adapted to contain two superimposed series of garment supports without interfering with the movements of the door, and can also be assembled as a single compartment, or in a series of such compartments, and that the device may be easily and readily assembled, or taken apart as occasion may arise.

Obviously my device can be used in a wardrobe having a solid case instead of knockdown. I, however, prefer the knockdown structure as more convenient to store and ship.

What I claim is:

1. In a knockdown wardrobe, the combination of a base, end frames, a back, and a top detachably secured to each other, a stile detachably supported on the inner side of one of the end frames and adapted to traverse the same, a door hinged to the stile and supported thereby and also adapted to be drawn out beyond the end frame, a post supported on the base and spaced apart from the end frame that supports the stile to permit the door to pass between the said post and frame, and a hanger bar detachably secured to the top of the post and to the opposite frame at its respective ends.

2. In a wardrobe, the combination of a case having a base, a top, end frames, and a back, secured to each other, and also having a stile movably supported on the inner side of one end and adapted to traverse the same, and a door hinged to the stile and adapted to be drawn out of the case and turned to

close the front thereof, a post detachably supported upon the base and spaced apart from the end supporting the stile to permit the door to pass between the post and said end, and a hanger bar detachably attached to the post at one end and to the opposite end of the case at the other end.

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

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