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HOOK HANGER.

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Fig. 1

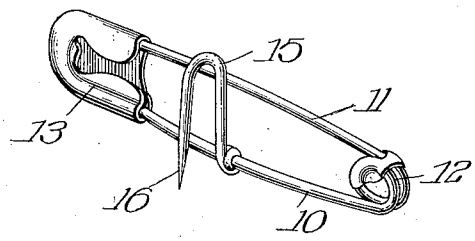


Fig. 2

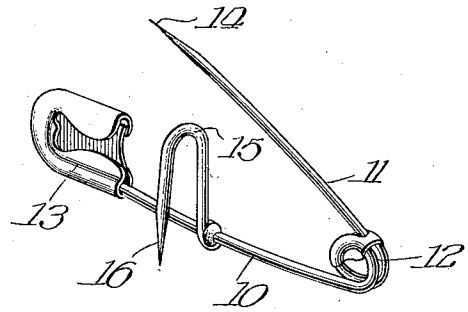
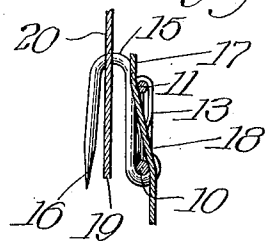


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RUSSELLA C. SMITH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hook-Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates in general to hook hangers and more particularly to devices of this character which are adapted for the hanging of curtains and the like.

Hook hangers of numerous forms have been employed prior to my invention to hang curtains and the like but they have all, so far as I am aware, consisted of a hook member extending up from the portion of the hanger engaging the curtain so that when the curtain is hung an unsightly gap is left between its upper edge and the rod or valance to which the hangers are connected. Furthermore hangers of this sort are visible above the top of the curtain and therefore detract materially from the general artistic effect.

It is a principal object of this invention to provide a hanger which will hold the upper edge of the curtain close against the valance or as near the rod as the rings which are ordinarily provided will permit, which will itself be completely hidden from persons on the floor of the room and which may be readily attached to the curtain and connected to the valance or other supporting medium.

Another object of the invention is to provide a hanger which may be employed in suspending one curtain from another previously hung so that the two curtains may be suspended from a single rod.

Although the hanger is hereinafter described in connection with the hanging of curtains and the like, it will be readily understood that it has a much wider application, as for instance it may be used with equal efficiency and advantage in arranging dress materials upon dress forms for the purposes of display and in securing the valance to the mattress of a bed. It may also be attached to flower bouquets before they leave the hands of the florist so that the hook member may merely be inserted in the belt or bodice of a dress to attach the flowers and it will be found useful when used in connection with the hanging of garlands, flowers and other decorations for theatrical and other purposes where it is desired to put up and take down the decorations frequently and easily.

A further object of the invention is to provide a hanger of simple and cheap construction.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent as the invention is better understood from the following description, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing illustrating a preferred embodiment thereof.

On the drawing, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hanger made in pursuance of my invention, showing the curtain pin in closed position. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same, showing the curtain pin open ready to be engaged in a curtain or the like, and Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view of the hanger when in operative position.

On the drawing the body of the hanger consists of a safety pin having a back arm 10 and a pin arm 11 connected by a spring loop 12. The back arm 10 is provided at its free end with a catch 13 of the construction ordinarily employed in safety pins. This catch is adapted to engage the pin arm 11 which is pointed at its free end 14 in order that it may readily be inserted in the cloth forming the curtain or other article to be hung. A hook member 15 is rigidly fastened to the back arm 10 substantially at its center. This hook member extends upwardly parallel to the plane of the two arms to a point adjacent or slightly above the pin arm when the latter is engaged by the catch, as shown in Fig. 1, and the free end of the hook 16 is disposed downwardly and is preferably, although not necessarily, pointed.

A curtain may be hung from the valance, or from eyes provided in rings or on a wall by sticking the arm 11 through the curtain along its upper edge and engaging the arm in the catch. After the required number of hangers have been thus engaged the hook members 15 thereof may be thrust through the valance or through the eyes from which the curtain is to be suspended. In Fig. 3 the hanger is shown in operative position

supporting a curtain from a valance. The pin arm has been engaged along the upper edge 17 of the curtain 18 and the hook member inserted through the lower edge 19 of the valance 20.

It will be apparent as the bend 15 of the hook member is disposed adjacent the pin arm 11, which is threaded through the curtain, that the upper edge of the curtain can not be lower than the lower edge of the valance so that no gap between the two is possible, and that the rigid connection between the hook member and the safety pin holds the edges of the two close together. Where hangers embodying my invention are employed it will therefore be apparent that the hangers will be hidden by the curtain even when the pin arms 11 are secured in the extreme upper edge of the fabric as they lie between the fabric and the valance.

The device may be cheaply constructed, may be quickly secured to the curtain and may be quickly and easily positioned.

It will be apparent that various changes may be made in the form construction and arrangement of the parts without departing from the spirit or scope of the invention or sacrificing any of its material advantages, the form hereinbefore disclosed being merely a preferred embodiment thereof.

I claim:

1. A hook hanger comprising a pin member having a pair of straight arms, and a hook member consisting of a single piece of wire pointed at one end and rigidly fastened at the other to one of the arms of the pin member, the loop in said hook member being disposed adjacent the other arm of said pin member when the parts are operatively arranged.

2. A hook hanger comprising a pin member formed of a piece of wire bent to provide two substantially straight parallel arms, one of said arms being provided with a catch and the other arm being pointed and adapted to be engaged by said catch, and a hook member rigidly secured at one end to the arm provided with the catch, the body of said hook member extending upwardly alongside and parallel with the plane of the arms and the point of the hook being disposed downwardly.

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