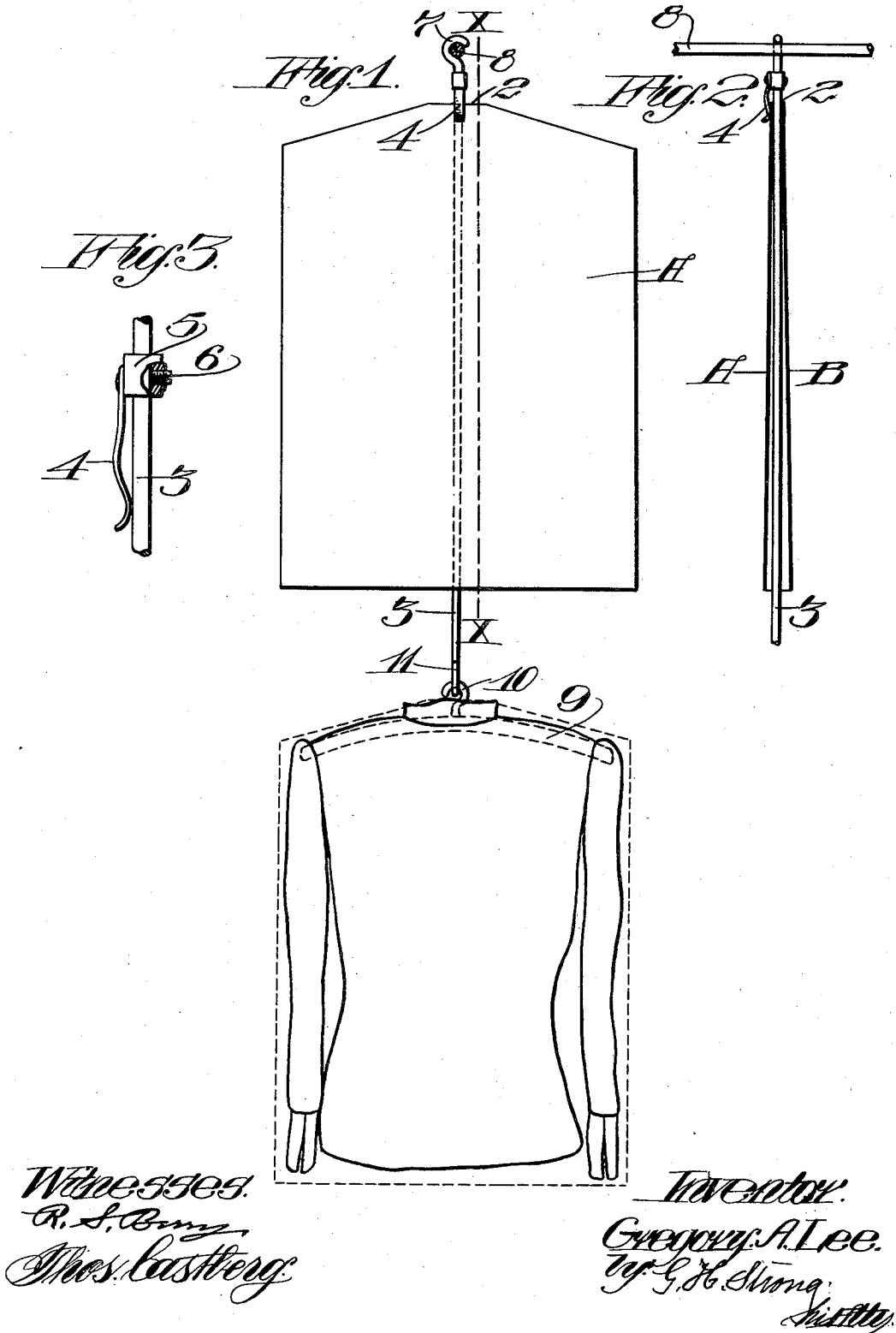


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GREGORY A. LEE, a citizen of Canada, residing in the city and county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Clothing Containers and Transferrers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a clothing container, and pertains particularly to an envelop for inclosing garments.

It is the object of this invention to provide an envelop or container for garments which is particularly adapted for the use of laundries, cleaners and the like, for inclosing the garment so as to protect it from soil by handling and prevent it coming in contact with other garments with which it may be packed, or other surfaces which might soil or injure the fabric of which the garment is made.

Another object is to provide an envelop which is particularly adapted for the reception of shirt-waists and the like, and to provide a means for quickly and easily inserting a garment within the envelop.

The invention consists of the parts and the construction and combination of parts as hereinafter more fully described and claimed, having reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the invention showing the manner of its use. Fig. 2 is a vertical section on the line X X of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is an enlarged detail of the adjustable spring clamp for supporting the envelop.

In the drawings I have shown an envelop consisting of a pair of side members A and B, which may be formed of any suitable material, such as paper or fabric, and are joined together at their side edges. The upper edges of the side members A and B are joined together a portion of their length so as to form a perforation 2 centrally thereof; the joined upper edges of the members A and B being preferably inclined downwardly from the perforation 2 to the outer and upper corners of the envelop. The lower edges of the members A and B are separated, as shown in Fig. 2, so that the envelop may be opened to receive a garment, as will presently be described.

The envelop consisting of members A and B is designed to be suspended on a vertically

extending rod 3, which is inserted lengthwise through the envelop A—B and is passed through the perforation 2, as shown in Fig. 2. Mounted on the rod 3, in any suitable manner, is a means for engaging the upper end of the envelop A—B so as to hold the envelop in a suspended position on the rod. This means is here shown as consisting of a spring clamp 4, which may either be rigidly mounted on the rod 3, or may be adjustable on the rod. In the latter case the spring clamp 4 is mounted on a collar 5 slidable on the rod 3, a set-screw 6 being threaded in the collar 5 by means of which the collar may be secured against movement to the rod 3 in any desired position throughout its length. The spring clamp 4 is arranged so that one of said portions A—B of the envelop may be slipped thereunder, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2; the spring clamp being tensioned to engage the envelop so as to hold it in a suspended position. The rod 3 is designed to be suspended in a vertical position in any convenient manner; the hook 7 being here shown as formed on the upper end of the rod for that purpose; said hook 7 being engageable with a rod 8 or other desired means of support.

The lower end of the rod 3 is designed to carry a garment hanger 9, of any suitable description, which garment hanger is here shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1, as removably attached to the lower end of the rod 3 by means of a hook 10, formed on the garment hanger 9 which engages with a loop or hook 11 formed on the lower end of the rod 3.

In the application of this invention the rod 3 is suspended at a convenient point above the floor, with the envelop A—B mounted thereon. The garment to be inclosed in the envelop is then hung on the hanger 9 in the usual manner, the latter being attached to the lower end of the rod 3 by means of a hook 10, or in any other suitable manner. The envelop A—B is then pulled downwardly so as to disengage it from the spring clamp 4, whereupon the lower edges of the envelop are separated so that it will pass over the hanger 9 and the garment suspended thereon, the envelop A—B being drawn down over the garment so as to inclose the latter therein, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 1. The hook 10 on the hanger 9 will now project through

the perforation in the upper end of the envelop A—B so that the hanger may be detached from the rod 3 and removed therefrom, so that another envelop A may be positioned on the rod 3 for the next operation. The garment on the hanger 9 will now be completely inclosed in the envelop A—B and thereby be protected from dust or handling.

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

A clothing container comprising an envelop having side members connected together at their side edges, which members are separable at their lower edges, and have their upper edges connected together a portion of their length to form a perforation

centrally thereof, a supporting member for the envelop comprising a bar extending between the side members and projecting through the perforation in the upper end thereof, means for removably attaching the envelop to the bar, a spring clamp adjustably mounted on the bar for engaging the envelop, a hanger formed on the upper end of the bar, and means on the lower end of the bar for engaging a garment supporter.

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

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