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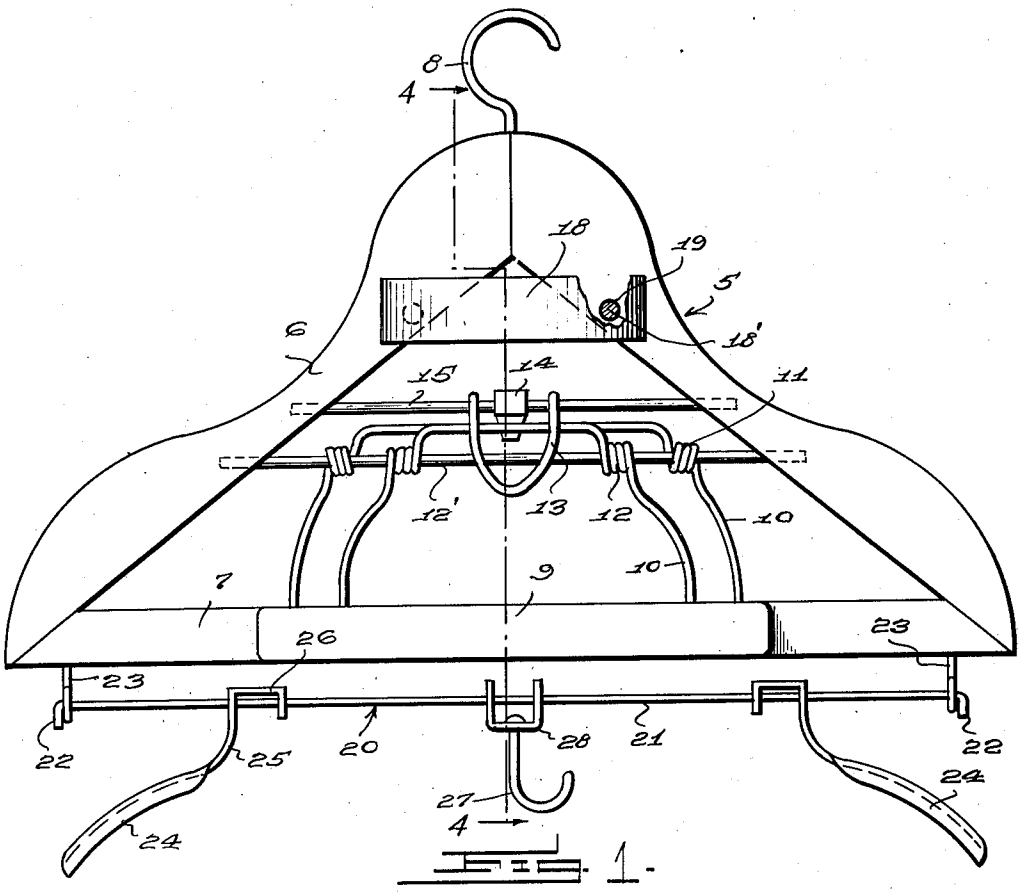


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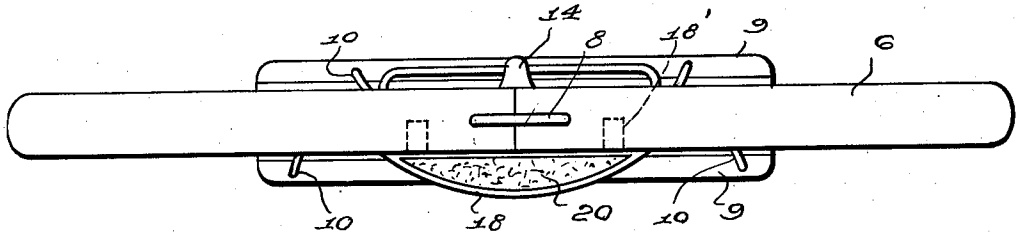


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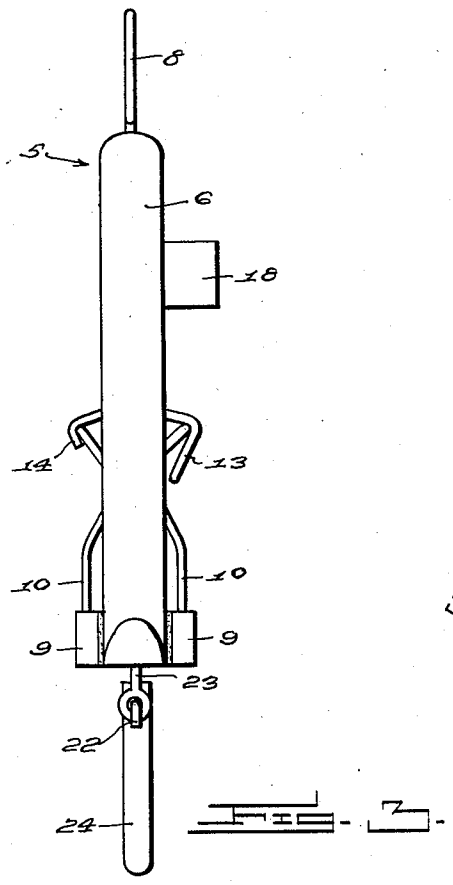


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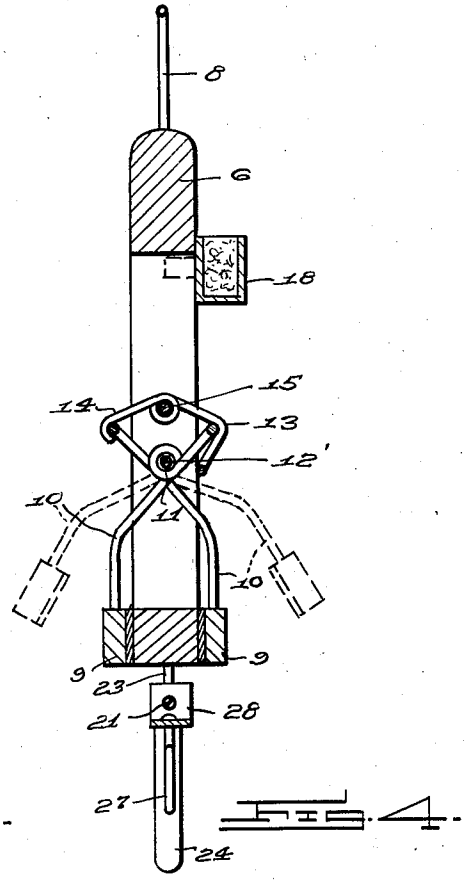


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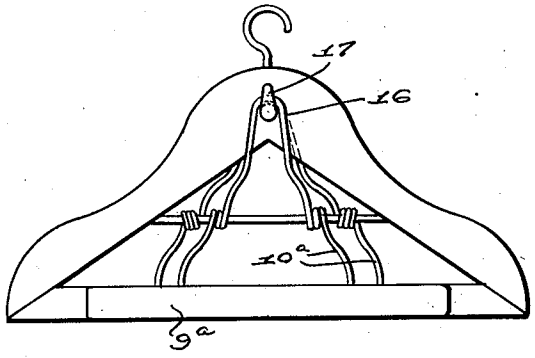


FIG. 5.

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This invention relates to garment hangers and an object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger so equipped as to provide for the secure clamping thereto of two pairs of trousers and the like; to support thereon a coat, dress, or similar article of wearing apparel in a manner to maintain the shape of the collar of such coat, dress, or the like; and to accommodate an attachment therefor for use in suspending a coat, sweater or the like from the hanger in addition to such trousers, skirt, coat or other garment suspended therefrom.

A further object of the invention is to provide an attachment which may be readily applied to the garment hanger so as to give the garment hanger greater utility than heretofore generally possessed by garment hangers of the same general descriptive character.

The invention together with its objects and advantages will be best understood from a study of the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings wherein:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of a garment hanger equipped in accordance with the present invention.

Figure 2 is a top plan view thereof.

Figure 3 is an end elevational view thereof.

Figure 4 is a vertical transverse sectional view through the hanger, the section being taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 1, and

Figure 5 is a view similar to Figure 1, but on a smaller scale, and illustrating a slightly modified form of the invention.

Referring more in detail to the drawings it will be seen that the garment hanger, indicated generally by the reference numeral 5, is, for the most part, of conventional construction, consisting of the usual frame 6 and cross or suspension bar 7, together with the suspension hook 8.

The hanger 5 may be formed of wood, as shown, or of metal or other suitable material.

In accordance with the present invention there is provided for the hanger 5 a pair of clamping bars 9 cooperable with the cross or hanger bar 7, being disposed at opposite sides of the hanger bar 7 as shown.

Each of the bars 9 is provided with a bail 10 formed of a single length of spring wire or other suitable material secured at its ends to a bar 9.

The legs of the bail adjacent the closed end of the bail are formed to provide combination hinge eyes and springs 11 and 12 which cooperate with a hinge rod 12' for hingedly securing the clamping bars to the hanger.

Hinge bar 12' extends between opposite end portions of the hanger frame 6 and has its respective opposite ends embedded in sockets provided therefor in the frame, or secured to the frame in any other suitable manner.

As shown in Figure 1 the clamping bars 9 are secured in clamping position relative to the hanger bar 7 through the medium of latch members 13 and 14 respectively.

The latch members 13 and 14 are suitably provided with hinge eyes accommodating a hinge pin or bar 15 that is also mounted in the frame 6 of the hanger 5 above the hinge bar 12 and parallel thereto, the ends of the bar 15 being received in sockets provided therefor in the frame 6, or being otherwise secured to the frame.

At the closed ends thereof the bails 10 of the hanger bars 9 substantially cross one another so as to project from opposite sides of the hanger to the end that when the latch members 13 and 14 are swung downwardly into engaging position with the closed ends of the bails 10, as shown, the combination hinge eyes and springs 11 are placed under tension in a manner to urge the clamping bars 9 towards the clamping bar 7 to cooperate therewith for securing the cuff ends of trouser legs therebetween.

It will also be apparent that the clamping bars 9 may be used independently in conjunction with the hanger bar 7 for clamping therebetween a skirt or similar article of apparel.

In the form of the invention shown in Figure 5 the closed ends of the bails, therein indicated by the reference numeral 10*a*, are elongated as at 16 for disposition at opposite sides of the hanger and for engagement with pivoted latch members 17 pivoted on the upper portion of the hanger at opposite sides thereof, and in a manner clearly shown in Figure 5, to secure the clamping bars, in said Figure 5 indicated by the reference numeral 9*a*, in a position for clamping cooperation with the cross-bar of the hanger.

Also, in accordance with the present invention, there is provided a collar shape-retainer element 18 which is in the form of a relatively shallow receptacle provided at one side thereof with pins 18' receivable in sockets 19 provided therefor in one side of the frame 6 of the hanger 5 whereby to releasably secure the retainer 18 in position on the hanger.

As noted the retainer 18 has one flat side to rest against the hanger frame 6 and a longitudinally curved side against which the neck portion of the coat, dress, or the like, will bear; the member 18 thus serving to maintain the proper shape

of the collar of such garment, while the latter is suspended on the hanger.

The retainer 18 is also in the form of a receptacle to receive a sachet sack or the like 2 for deodorizing or moth-preventing purposes.

Also, there is provided, for use as an attachment to the hanger 5, a combination skirt or sweater hanger or suspension hanger device indicated generally by the reference numeral 20.

The attachment 20 comprises a supporting rod 21 equipped at its opposite ends with hooks 22 to engage the eyes of eye-bolts 23 suitably secured to the underside of the cross or hanger bar 7 of the hanger 5 adjacent opposite ends of the bar 7. In this connection, it will be understood that one of the eye-bolts 23 may be stationary while the other may be swivelly mounted so as to facilitate the engagement and disengagement of the bar 21 with said eye-bolts 23.

Slidably and adjustably associated with the bar 21 are arm or shoulder engaging members 24 formed of metal or other suitable material and having integral shanks 25 the terminals of which are bent into substantial U-shaped form and apertured to accommodate the rod 20, the U-shaped terminals of the shanks 25 being indicated by the reference numeral 26.

It will thus be seen that the members 24 may be adjusted on the rod 20 towards or away from one another as the size of a sweater, or the like, may require in order to properly engage the elements 24 with the sweater at the junction of the shoulders and arms of the sweater.

Also by placing the members 24 within a skirt at the waist band thereof and adjusting the members 24 toward or away from one another the same will serve admirably for suspending a skirt from the rod 20. In this connection it will be apparent that the weight of the garment with that of the members 24 will cause the portions 26 of the members 24 to frictionally engage the rod 20 thus causing the members 24 to be retained at the desired position of adjustment on the rod 20.

The attachment also includes a suspension hook 27 which has the shank thereof swivelly connected with a U-shaped attaching member 28 the legs of which are apertured to receive the rod 20, to be rotated about the rod 20 as may be found desirable. Thus, it will be seen that the hook 27 may be used as a suspension hook for a garment or the like or with the attachment used separate and apart from the hanger 5, said hook 27 will serve as a suspension member for the attachment 20 to suspend the attachment from a nail, or other suitable suspension element or support.

It will thus be seen that the hanger 5 may be used either with or independently of the attachment 20 and that the attachment 20 may be also so used alternately.

Adverting again to the latch member 14 it will be noted that the same is formed of a flat spring material while the latch member 13 is formed of spring wire. In this connection it will be understood that both latch members, if desired, may be formed of the same material, that is to say, either of flat spring material or of spring wire, or the respective latch members may be made of different material as herein shown and described.

Also, in actual practice it will be found that the form of the invention shown in Figure 5 will be more adaptable for children's or dolls' clothes made in miniature scale.

It is thought that the many advantages of a garment hanger embodying the features of the present invention and the numerous uses to which it may be put, will all be apparent from the foregoing.

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

1. In combination with a garment hanger of frame-like structure embodying a cross-bar and a suspension hook, clamping bars cooperable with said cross-bar and disposed at opposite sides of the latter, a hinge bar mounted on said hanger above and parallel to said hanger bar, bail-like members secured to said clamping bars and having eye-equipped portions engaging said hinge bar, latch members pivotally mounted on said garment hanger and engageable with the bail-like members of said clamping bars for securing said clamping bars in operative clamping position with respect to said hanger bar, said latch members being independent of each other to permit either clamping bar to be moved independently of the other clamping bar.

2. In combination with a garment hanger of frame-like structure embodying a cross-bar and a suspension hook, clamping bars cooperable with said cross-bar and disposed at opposite sides of the latter, a hinge bar mounted on said hanger above and parallel to said hanger bar, bail-like members secured to said clamping bars and having eye-equipped portions engaging said hinge bar, a second hinge bar carried by the hanger and located above the first hinge bar, a pair of latch members pivotally supported by the second hinge bar and extending in opposite direction from said bar, one latch member being adapted to engage the bail-like member of one clamping bar and the other latch member the bail-like member of the other clamping bar, for securing said clamping bars in clamping positions relative to the cross bar of the hanger.

3. In a garment hanger of the class described, a frame, a cross-bar extending between opposite ends of the frame, a suspension hook for the frame secured to the top thereof, a pivot bar mounted on the frame in spaced parallelism to said cross-bar, clamping bars cooperable with said cross-bar and disposed at opposite sides thereof, bails secured to said clamping bar, said bails having the leg portions thereof provided with combination hinge eyes and springs engaged with said pivot bar for pivotally supporting the clamping bars on the hanger, each bail having an upwardly extending part of loop shape and pivoted latch members at the upper part of the hanger frame for engaging the upper ends of said upwardly extending parts for holding the bails with the clamping bars in cooperative clamping position with the cross bar of the hanger frame.

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