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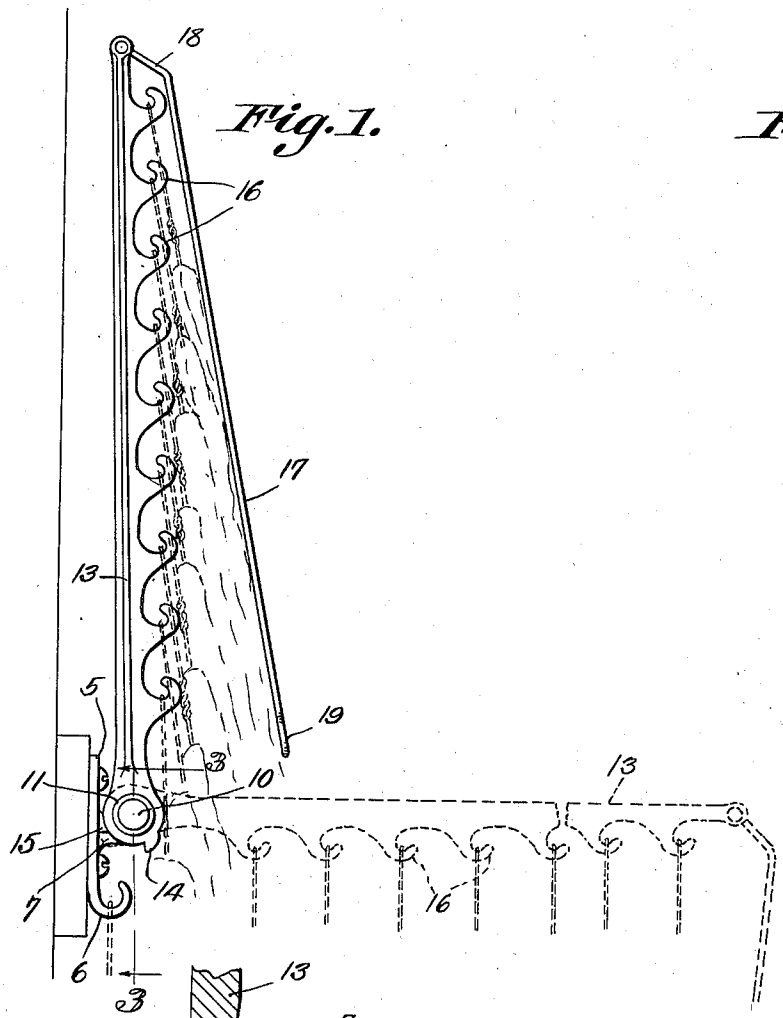
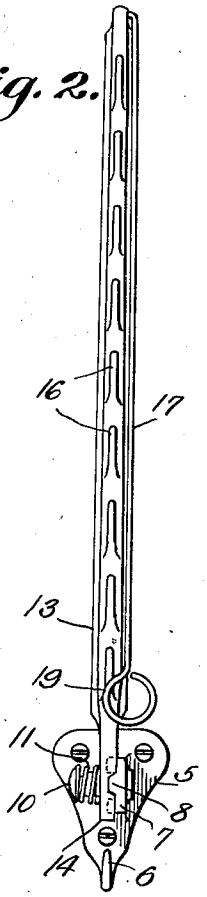


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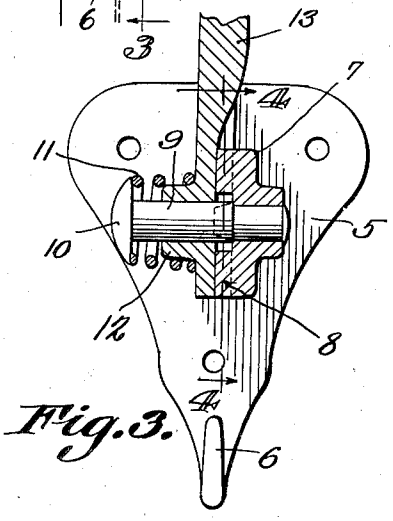


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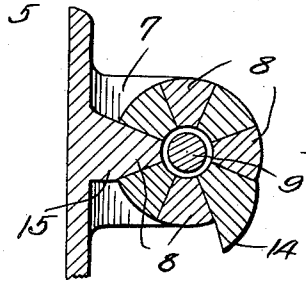


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This invention relates to garment hangers, the primary object of the invention being to construct a hanger which will conserve closet or storage space to a marked degree, by providing a hanger which may swing from a horizontal position, where easy access to articles supported thereon may be had, to a vertical position out of the way of people passing into the closet where the hanger is supported.

An important object of the invention is the provision of a hanger of this character including an operating rod which may be operated to move the pivoted hanger to a horizontal or vertical position, the weight of the rod acting to hold the garments to the hanger, when the hanger has been moved to its vertical position.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a friction clutch member at the pivot point of the hanger, so that the hanger will be automatically held against movement when the hanger is moved to its vertical position.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein described, may be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Referring to the drawing:

Figure 1 is an elevational view of a garment hanger, constructed in accordance with the invention, the hanger being shown in dotted lines in its horizontal position.

Figure 2 is a front elevational view of the hanger, the pivoted arm of the hanger being shown in its vertical position.

Figure 3 is a vertical sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Figure 1.

Figure 4 is a sectional view taken on line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Referring to the drawing in detail, the reference character 5 designates the bracket, forming a part of the hanger, the bracket being provided with openings through which securing screws may be positioned, securing the bracket to a supporting surface.

The lower end of the bracket is formed into a hook indicated by the reference character 6, to the end that the bracket may be utilized as not only a means for supporting a pivoted arm, to be hereinafter more fully described, but as a means for supporting a garment positioned on the usual garment hanger.

Extending laterally from the bracket 5, is an enlargement indicated by the reference character 7, which enlargement is formed with a clutch face indicated by the reference character 8. Extending through the central portion of the enlargement 7, is a pivot pin 9, formed with a head 10 against which the coiled spring 11 rests, the opposite end of the coiled spring 11 being positioned over the enlargement 12, formed at one end of the pivoted arm 13, of the hanger.

The arm 13 is formed with an opening accommodating the pivot pin 9, so that the arm 13 may swing vertically, with respect to the bracket 5. A lug indicated by the reference character 14 is formed at one end of the arm 13, and is adapted to engage the lug 15, extending from the enlargement 7, holding the arm 13 in its horizontal position. Hooks 16 are formed integral with the arm 13, and are disposed in horizontal spaced relation with respect to each other, the hooks being designed to receive the hooks of the usual dress or coat hangers now in common use.

Pivotally connected to the free end of the arm 13, is a rod indicated by the reference character 17, which rod is formed with an offset portion 18, so that when the rod swings downwardly, the rod will rest against the garments supported by the hooks 16, holding the garments against accidental displacement. As shown, this rod is of a length to extend throughout substantially the entire length of the arm 13, the free end of the rod being formed with a ring 19, to receive the finger of the operator, so that the rod may be readily pulled to lower the arm 13 to its horizontal position, or pushed to move the arm to its vertical position, as shown by Figure 1 of the drawing.

From the foregoing it will be seen that due to the construction shown and described, a closet or storage room may be supplied with hangers of this type with the result that the garments supported thereon may be moved to a position as shown in easy access to the person handling the garments. It will also be seen that the rod 17 may be pushed upwardly, moving the arm 13 to a vertical position wherein the garment hanger, and the garments supported thereon will be out of the way of people moving in the closet or storage room, thereby greatly increasing the storage capacity of the closet or room.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. A garment hanger comprising a bracket adapted to be secured to a supporting surface, a

stationary member having a clutch face, extending from the bracket, a lug on said stationary member, an arm pivotally mounted on the stationary member, a clutch face on the arm cooperating with the clutch face of the stationary member restricting movement of the arm with respect to the bracket, a lug on the arm and adapted to move into engagement with the lug on the stationary member, holding the arm in its extended position, and means for urging the clutch faces together.

2. A garment hanger comprising a bracket adapted to be secured to a supporting surface, an arm having hooks thereon, pivotally mounted on the bracket, an actuating rod having an offset end portion, the offset end portion of the rod being pivotally connected to the free end of the arm, and said rod adapted to rest against garments hanging upon the arm, holding the garments in position, when the arm is in its vertical or inactive position.

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