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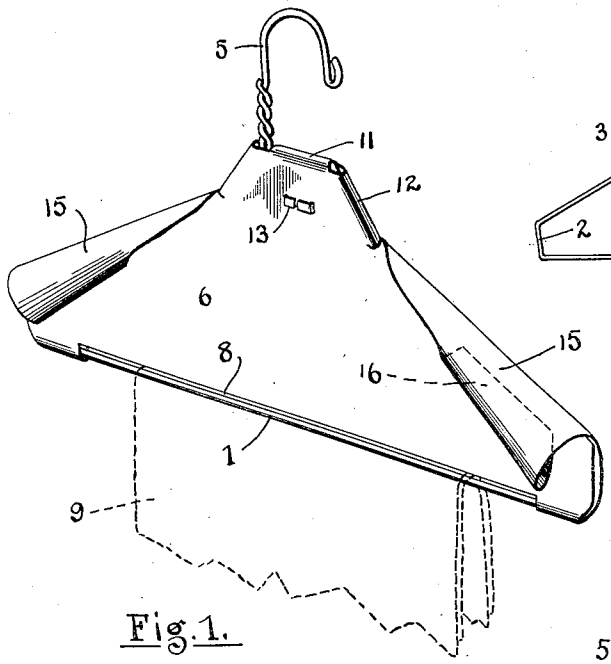


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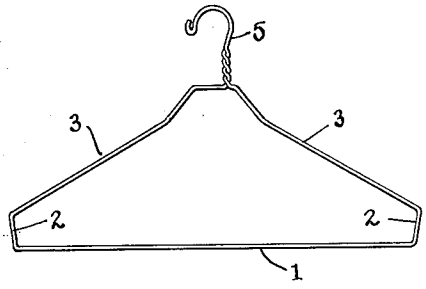


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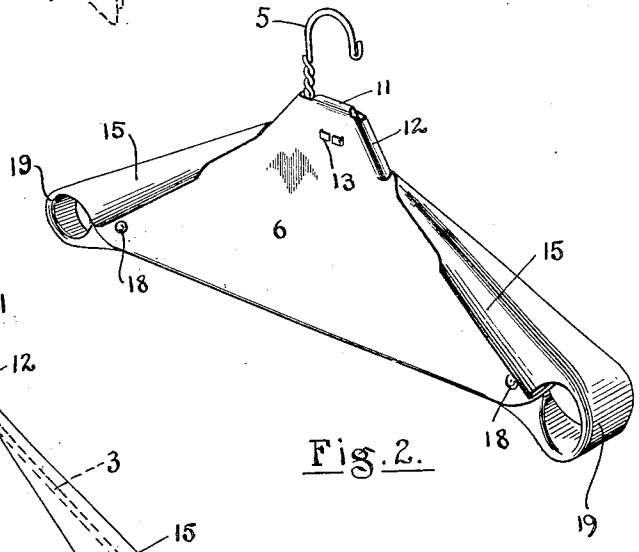


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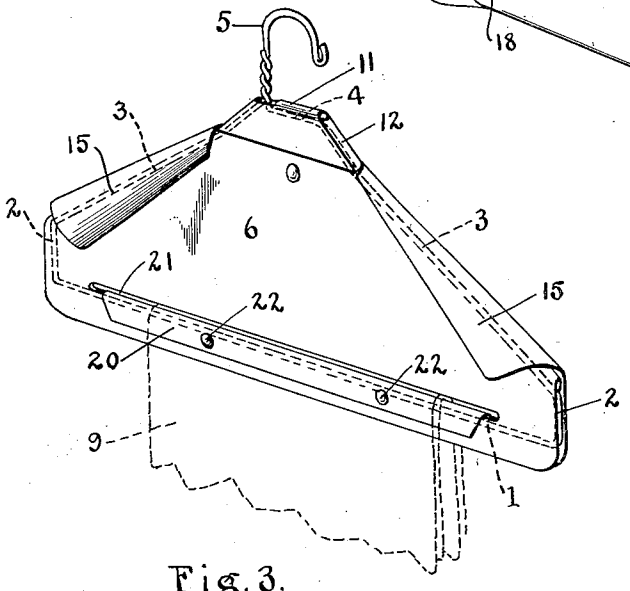


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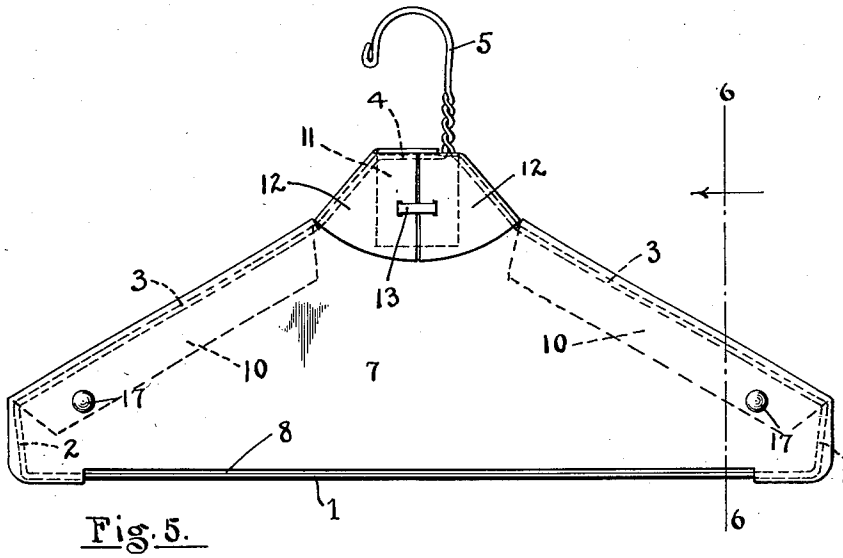


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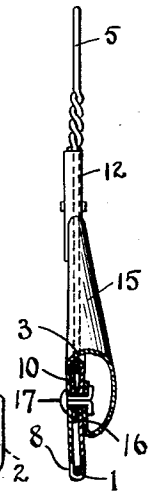


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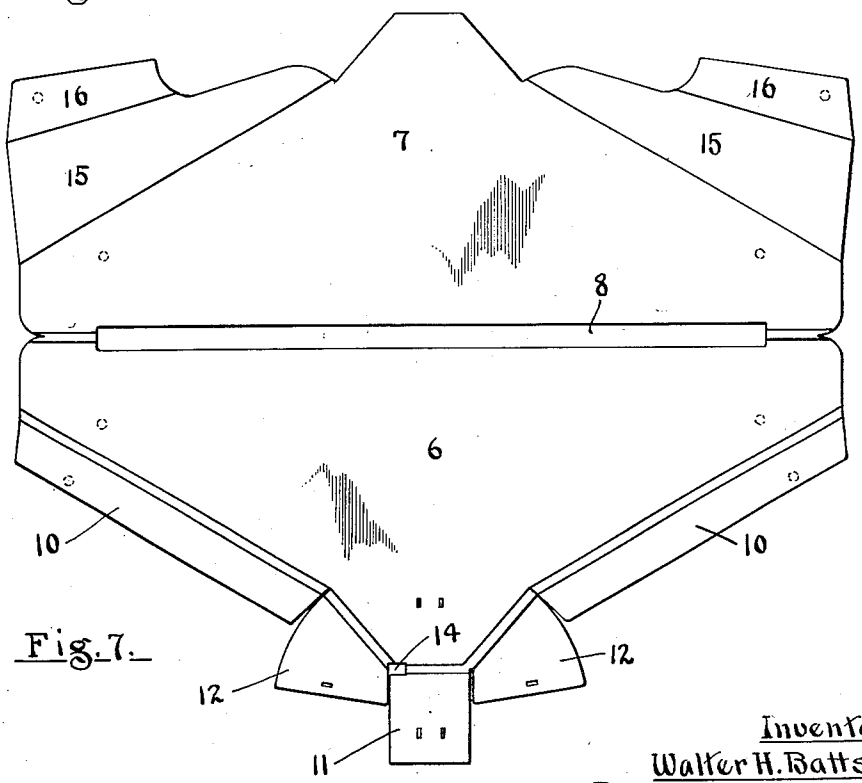


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This invention relates to garment hangers and its particular objects are to provide a garment hanger which will support a suit, including a coat and trousers so that neither of the garments will be wrinkled or stretched out of shape, to provide a garment hanger which is exceedingly cheap to manufacture and durable and to provide the device with various other novel features of construction and arrangement, as hereinafter more fully described and particularly pointed out in the claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the preferred form of garment hanger embodying this invention.

Fig. 2 is a modification thereof, in which the shoulder portions are broadened at their tips to more suitably support ladies' garments.

Fig. 3 is a modification showing a different trousers supporting portion.

Fig. 4 is an elevation of the wire frame.

Fig. 5 is a rear elevation of the device illustrated in Fig. 1.

Fig. 6 is a sectional view of the same on the line 6—6 of Fig. 5.

Fig. 7 is the cardboard blank which is folded over the wire frame to form the hanger.

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

The garment hanger has for its main supporting member a wire frame which comprises a lower horizontal cross-member 1, short vertical ends 2, upwardly inclined and converging shoulder members 3, and preferably a short horizontal top member 4, a hook 5, extending upwardly from the top cross-member 4, preferably near one of its ends. This wire frame may be made of a single piece of wire as shown, or, if preferred, may be constructed of more than one piece of wire welded or otherwise connected together.

Over the wire frame is folded a cardboard covering which is cut as shown in Fig. 6, this covering having two main body portions, the front 6 and the back 7 of which lie against opposite sides of the wire frame substantially covering it. The two main portions 6 and 7 are joined together at their respective lower edges, a slot 8 being cut in the material between the ends and when the covering is folded over the lower cross-member 1 of the frame the slot 8 exposes the greater length of this lower cross-member 1 permitting a pair of trousers 9 to be hung over it as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

The upper inclined edges of the front portion 6 of the covering are each provided with tabs 10, scored to be folded over the inclined shoulder members 3 of the frame and a top flap 11 formed integrally with the portion 6 is folded over the top horizontal member 4 of the frame. The top flap 11 may be lapped either over or under the top portion of the opposite side 7 of the covering and the neck tabs 12 formed near the top of the portions 6 are folded over the frame and outside of both the top flap 6 and the top portion of the member 7. A fastener 13 is inserted clear through the covering so as to pass through the neck tabs 12, the top flap 11 and both the front and rear portions 6 securely holding the covering to the frame at its upper portion. An opening 14 is provided at the base of the top flap 11 to permit the shank of the hook 5 to extend through the covering.

The upper inclined edges of the back portion 7 of the covering are each provided with an extension 15 and each extension has a fastening tab 16 at its edge. These extensions are folded forward over the wire frame which has previously been covered by the tabs 10 and are curled in a forward and downward direction and the fastening tabs 16 are folded under and against the outer surface of the front portion 6 of the covering and fastened in place by fasteners 17 passed through the device from the back and clinched over the tabs under the rolled portion 15. This construction affords a broad and yielding support for the shoulders of the coat or other garment hung upon the hanger.

In the modification shown in Fig. 2 extensions are provided at the ends of the portions 15 of the covering blank and these are curled and their ends returned and held in place by the fasteners 18 to form broad loops 19 at the extremities of the hanger which offer a

better bearing surface for the more flimsy garments.

The modified hanger shown in Fig. 3 is identical with the structure shown in Fig. 1 excepting that the lower fold of the covering material is spaced a short distance below the lower member 1 of the frame and a flap 20 taken from the back portion 7 of the covering material is inserted through a slot 21 cut in the front portion 6 and folded over the bottom member 1 of the frame and held in place by fasteners 22. This construction offers a broader surface over which the trousers may be hung thereby obviating the possibility of creasing them as might occur where they are hung directly upon the wire frame member 1, as shown in Fig. 1.

It will be seen that this invention provides a strong and rigid garment hanger but at the same time one which is exceedingly simple and cheap in construction and light weight and also one on which garments may be supported in a natural form. The extensions 15, curled as they are and supported by the wire frame offer a broad and yielding support for the shoulders of the garment and the neck tabs 12 folded over the wire frame and also over the other portions of the covering cover the rough edges and leave no sharp edges or corners to be engaged by the garment. The slot to receive the trousers is restricted in width so that it is necessary to bend the covering material away from the wire frame when the trousers are inserted and when released this covering material springs back and frictionally engages the trousers, retaining them in place on the frame.

I claim:

1. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a horizontal bottom member and a cardboard covering folded over said garment hanger and having an elongated slot to expose the greater portion of the length of said horizontal lower member of the wire frame.

2. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a horizontal cross member and a cardboard covering folded over the frame and having rolled shoulder portions over and supported by the shoulder members of the frame and having an elongated slot to expose a greater part of the length of said horizontal cross member.

3. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a cardboard covering therefor, said covering comprising front and rear body portions, shoulder tabs on one of said body portions folded over the wire frame and roll shoulder portions on the other body portion curled over the folded shoulder tabs and fastened against the first mentioned body portion.

4. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a cardboard covering therefor, comprising front and rear body portions, shoulder tabs on the front body portion folded over the shoulder members of the frame and against the rear body portion, a top flap on the front body portion folded over the frame, neck tabs on the front body portion folded over the frame and over the top part of the rear body portion and the top flap and roll shoulder portions on the rear body portion curled over the folded shoulder tabs and fastened against the front body portion.

5. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a cardboard covering therefor comprising a front and rear body portion integrally formed and folded at their lower edges against the respective sides of the frame, flaps on one body portion folded over the frame and roll shoulder portions on the opposite body portion curled over the folded flaps and frame and fastened against the opposite body portion.

6. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a horizontal cross member and a cardboard covering therefor comprising two body portions integrally formed and folded at their lower edges against the respective sides of the frame, said body portions being cut away at their lower edges to expose the greater part of the length of the cross member of the frame, tabs on one body portion folded over the shoulder members of the frame and roll extensions on the other body portion curled over the folded tabs and fastened against the opposite body portion.

7. A garment hanger comprising a wire frame having a hook, a short horizontal top member, diverging shoulder members, and a horizontal cross-member and a cardboard covering therefor comprising two body portions integrally formed and folded upward over the cross-member of the frame against the respective sides thereof, tabs on one body portion folded over the shoulder members of the frame, a top flap on the same body portion folded over the top member of the frame, neck tabs on the same body portion folded over the frame and also over the top flap and top part of the opposite body portion and roll shoulder extensions on the opposite body portion curled over the folded tabs and frame and fastened against the first named body portion.

8. A garment hanger comprising, a wire frame having a horizontal member and a cardboard covering for the same, said cardboard being cut away to expose a considerable portion of said horizontal member whereby a garment may be hung over the same, an edge of said cardboard extending parallel with said horizontal member and normally spaced

away from the same a distance less than the thickness of said garment.

9. A garment hanger comprising, a wire frame having diverging shoulder members and a horizontal member below them, and a cardboard covering for said wire frame comprising front and rear portions folded under the horizontal member and over the diverging shoulder members, said cardboard covering being cut away to expose the greater portion of said horizontal member whereby a garment may be draped over the same, an edge of said cardboard covering extending parallel with said horizontal member and normally spaced away from the same a distance less than the thickness of said garment.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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