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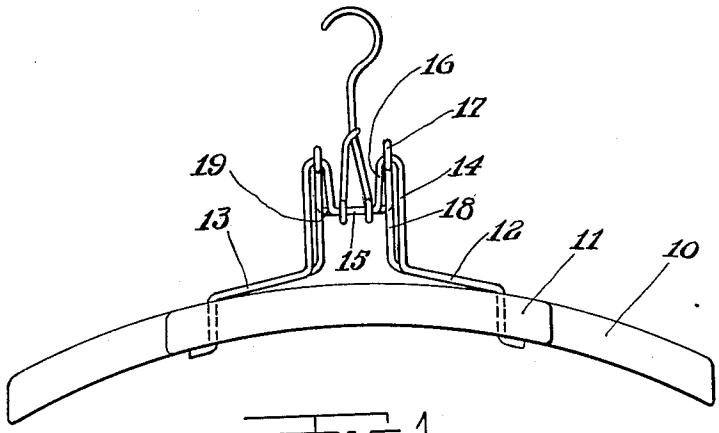


FIG. 1

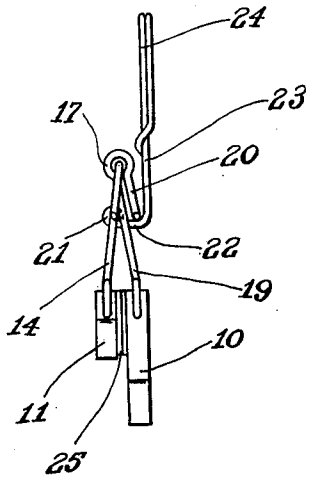


FIG. 2

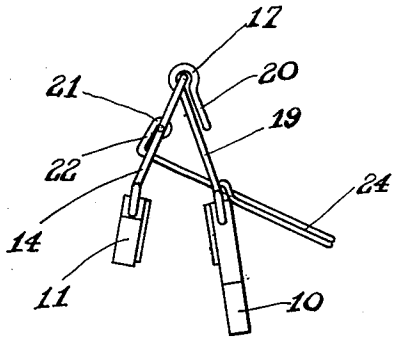


FIG. 3

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The main object of this invention is to provide a garment hanger comprising a pair of jaws which are adapted to be yieldably urged toward each other so that the articles of apparel hung may be gripped.

Another object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger having a pair of jaws connected to each other in such manner that the hook suspending the garment hanger acts as a jamb clamp to press the jaws together.

The above and other objects will become apparent in the description below in which characters of reference refer to like-named parts in the drawings.

Referring briefly to the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevational view of the garment hanger.

Figure 2 is an end elevational view of Figure 1, showing the jaws in closed condition.

Figure 3 is a view similar to Figure 2, showing the jaws in open condition.

Referring in detail to the drawings the numeral 10 indicates a longitudinally curved jaw upon which a garment such as a coat or waistcoat is draped. A second and shorter curved jaw 11 normally rests adjacent to the longer jaw 10, when the garment hanger is in suspended position with the garment thereon. These jaws are adapted to be spread apart and their adjacent surfaces are provided with felt liners 25, between which the cuffs of a pair of trousers are clamped. The jaw 11 is provided with a pair of arms 12 and 13, which are secured to the jaw in the manner shown in Figure 1 and extend toward each other. The arms 12 and 13 terminate as a pair of upright extensions 14, which are spaced apart from each other and are formed into crank arms 16 joined by a connecting member 15. A pair of arms 19 similar to members 12 and 13 extend from the longer jaw 10 and also terminate in upright extensions 18. At the upper ends of the extensions 18, eyelets 17 are formed through which the vights of the loops formed between members 14 and 16 pass. Crank arms 20 continue from the eyelets 17 and are joined by a connecting member. The connecting member 15 of the first named crank has rotatably mounted thereon looped ends 21 of a jamb bar 22, which is relatively short in dimension and continues as a right angled arm 23, which has a hook 24 formed at its upper end, by means of which the entire device is suspended from the rack or the like.

The device is adapted to serve as a garment hanger upon which a complete suit of man's apparel may be hung. By permitting the jaws 10 and 11 to be separated, such articles of apparel as trousers may be clenched between the jaws. The cuffs of the trousers are placed between the jaws 10 and 11 of the device, when the hanger assumes the position shown in Figure 3. In this position, the hook member is rotated to the position shown in Figure 3 so that the jaws may be readily spread apart. When the trousers have been placed in position between these jaws, the hook is rotated to a position parallel with the jaws. This movement of the hook member 24 will urge the one crank 15 toward the connecting member of the opposite crank whose arms are indicated by the numeral 20. These cranks will be jambed yieldably into closely related positions by the jambed portion 22 of the hook and the trousers will thenceforth be clenched between the jaws.

It is to be noted that certain changes in form and construction may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention.

I claim:

In a garment hanger a pair of depending jaws mutually pivoted, a crank formed unitary with one of said jaws below the pivotal point, a second crank aligned with the first-named crank and mounted on the remaining jaw, an L-shaped hook member hingedly connected to one of said cranks being adapted to have a portion thereon contact with the opposite crank and to jam said jaws against each other, said hook serving as a hanging member for said device.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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