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Fig. 1.

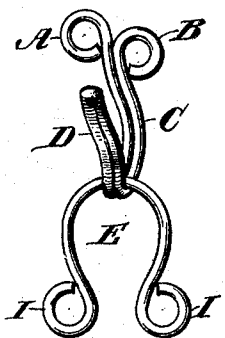
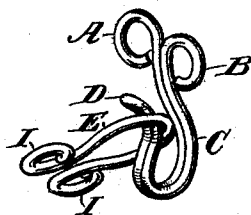


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS BERKEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Safety Drapery and Garment Hooks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a safety drapery and garment hook in which the hook is adapted to engage with the eye or ring prepared in proper shape, which eye or ring may be of the ordinary form when used in connection with my invention as a garment-hook and may be made in the form of a ring when used as a drapery-hook; and the object of my invention is to so construct the hook that the eye or ring may be readily attached to the hook and when attached will be locked or secured in position, so that the hook will not readily become disengaged from the eye or ring without turning the hook or ring into the proper position to make the disengagement, as hereinafter more fully described. These objects I accomplish by means of the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the hook constructed in accordance with my invention in engagement with an eye of ordinary construction. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the hook and eye, being turned to an angle for the purpose of disengagement between the hook and the eye.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

A and B represent the loops of the hook, by means of which the same is attached to the garment.

D represents the hook proper, which is provided with a shank bent laterally, as shown at C. The hook is made, preferably, of a single piece of wire or rod bent so as to bring the two parts close together, as shown in Fig. 1, and then bent laterally to one side, as shown by C. The hook proper (shown by D) is bent laterally in a direction opposite to the lateral bend C in the shank portion, so as to pass by the side of the body of the hook, as shown in Fig. 2. This bend may be more or less; but

I prefer to bend the hook proper laterally in substantially the position shown in Fig. 2.

E represents the eye, provided with loops I I. I also prefer to have the end of the hook proper turned or bent outward in order to facilitate the engagement of the eye.

In order to have a firmer attachment to the cloth, I prefer to have the loop A extend beyond the loop B, and inasmuch as the hook is bent laterally on the side opposite from the loop B the loop B will hold the hook in position when the same is attached to the cloth through the loops. By extending the loop A beyond the loop B, I obtain a stronger hold upon the cloth, and thereby prevent the same from stretching or drawing out of place. The loops, however, may be made in the usual manner, if desired. When the eye is engaged with the hook, it is evident that it cannot become unhooked or unlocked without turning either the hook or the eye, so that the eye will slip through the opening caused by the lateral bends in the hook and in the shank of the hook and thereby become disengaged. That portion of the hook D which is bent downward may be curved to correspond to the curvature of the body of the hook, and such is my preferred form. The form of the eye may be varied, or a ring may be used in place of the eye.

It is evident that the hook is adapted to receive or may be engaged with any ordinary form of ring or eye.

This garment or drapery hook may be made of any required size and of any of the ordinary materials used for the construction of hooks. It is not necessary that this hook should have any spring, the shape of the hook being such as to readily engage with the eye when turned in the proper position and to remain in engagement until it shall be disengaged by turning either the hook or the eye, so that the eye will pass freely through the opening caused by the bend C of the hook.

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

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a safety drapery or garment hook constructed of a single piece of wire or rod and having a

lateral bend in the shank of the hook and the hook proper bent laterally in a direction opposite the bend in the shank of the hook, substantially as described.

- 5 2. A safety drapery and garment hook consisting of shank-arms provided with a lateral bend and a hook proper bent laterally in a direction opposite the bend in the shank portion, the shank-arms being of different lengths
10 and provided with loops, whereby a means of

firmly attaching the hook to the cloth and preventing the same from tilting over is provided, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses. '5

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