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GARMENT HANGER.

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Fig. 1.

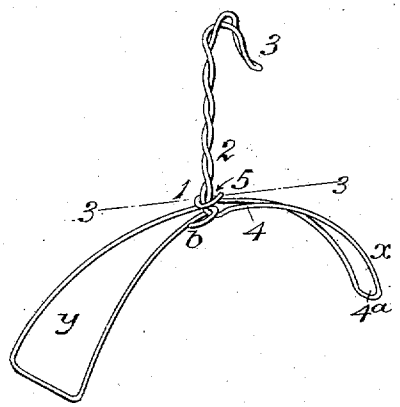


Fig. 2.

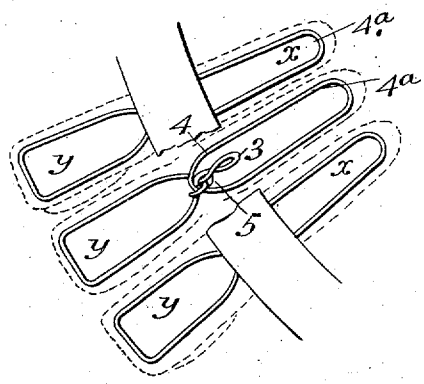


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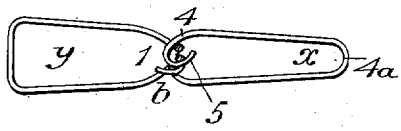
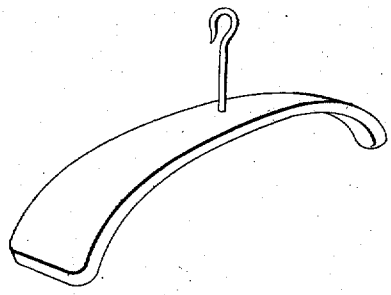


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. ACHESON, residing at Portland, in the county of Multnomah and State of Oregon, have invented a new and Improved Garment-Hanger, of which the following is a specification.

This invention seeks to provide an improved construction of garment hanger more particularly designed for use on circular hanger racks, and it further seeks to provide a hanger of the character stated of a simple and economical nature in which the parts are especially designed for sustaining the garments so that a third or more space is saved in the width or spread of the garment when sustained from the rack and in consequence provide for a more uniform folding of the garment and better display thereof.

With the above objects in view, my present invention consists in a hanger embodying the peculiar construction hereinafter described in detail, specifically pointed out in the appended claims and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which

Figure 1, is a perspective view of my garment hanger. Fig. 2, is a similar view which illustrates a portion of a circular rack with a number of my improved hangers sustained thereby. Fig. 3, is a horizontal section thereof taken on the line 3—3 on Fig. 1. Fig. 4, is a view of a modification hereinafter referred to.

My present form of hanger generically describes the form of hanger shown in my copending application filed on even date with this application, Serial Number 364,576 and in its practical construction is preferably formed of a single strand of stout wire which is bent up to produce the complete hanger body.

In shaping up my present form of hanger, the wire strand is bent upon itself midway, as at 1, and the two ends twisted for a portion of their length to form a rigid shank 2, the end of which is bent over to form a hook 3 for sustaining the hanger on the rack hooks or other support. One end, 4, of the wire is extended laterally from the shank, is bent upon itself at 4^a and the free end is extended back and is secured to the shank by looping about as at 5.

The members 4—4^a form one of the garment engaging arms x and the said members 4—4^a from the outer or bent end a are slightly diverging whereby to provide a gradually increasing width of the arm x, for reasons presently explained. The other free end of the wire is also extended laterally from the shank and in alinement with the arm x, is bent to form the hanger arm y and has its end looped and made fast to the shank, as at b. The arm y is of gradually increasing width from the shank to the outer extremity, the increase in width of the two arms x and y being substantially continuous from the outer end of the arm x to the outer end of arm y, as best shown by Fig. 3 of the drawings.

By reason of the peculiar shape of the hanger arms x and y, as stated, considerable space is saved when using a number of my hangers on a circular rack, as illustrated on Fig. 2, for the reason that the garments can be the more closely assembled at the inner circumference of the hangers, and at the same time be sufficiently spread at the outer circumference of the arms to properly display the garment and fold the different hung garments symmetrically and completely around the circular rack.

While I have shown and described my garment hanger as being preferably constructed of a single wire strand, it is manifest that under its generic nature my invention may be made up differently, for instance, the arms may be of a solid body, metal or wood, formed to the desired shape and sustained by a hanger hook as illustrated in Fig. 4.

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

1. A garment hanger comprising a hanger body having an increasing width from one end to the other and a suspension member for said body.

2. A garment hanger formed of a wire bent to form a hanger body of gradually increasing width from one end to the other, having a portion extended centrally from the body and bent to form a suspension shank and hook.

3. As a new article, a garment hanger consisting of a wire strand looped upon itself, twisted and bent into a shank and hook portion, the free ends of the wire being extended in opposite directions from the shank and bent into hanger arms, said arms being in alinement and of gradually increasing width, beginning from the outer end of one arm and ending at the outer end of the other arm, for the purpose specified.

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