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HOOK FOR GARMENT HANGERS

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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in a hook for garment hangers.

Fig. 2 specifically, the invention proposes a new and improved hook for a garment hanger which is so constructed as to reduce the possibility of the garment hanger falling off of the usual hanger support rod.

More specifically, the invention proposes to form the new and improved hook from a strand of heavy stiff wire, and to provide it with a circular top hook portion extending approximately 225 degrees and continuing into a downwardly and backwardly extending stem top portion disposed at an approximate 30 degrees to the vertical. The stem top portion continues into a downwardly and forwardly extending stem central portion which continues into a vertical and downwardly extending stem bottom portion.

The bottom portion 14 is intended to engage through the usual shoulder support portion 15 of a garment hanger; the shoulder portion 15 being illustrated with dot and dash lines. The bottom end of the stem bottom portion 14 is formed with a head 16 for supporting the shoulder support portion 15.

The top hook portion 13 is intended to engage upon the usual hanger rod illustrated by the dot and dash lines 18. When engaged on the hanger rod, the garment hanger hook may swing forwardly and rearwardly through quite an amplitude, as for example indicated by the dot and dash lines representing a second position in Fig. 1, without the hook coming off of the hanger rod.

In Figs. 3 to 7 inclusive another embodiment of the invention has been disclosed which is very similar to the prior form distinguishing merely in the fact that a flexible strip 20 extends along the bottom of inner faces of the hook portion 10 and the stem top portion 11 and is attached at its front end by a permanently closed clamp portion 21 to the end of the hook portion 10. The extremity of the hook portion 10 is formed with a small head 22 to prevent the clamp portion 21 from slipping off. The flexible strip 20 is provided with another clamp portion 24 at its rear end which readily engages upon the downwardly and backwardly extending stem top portion 11. The clamp portion 24 yields and has its ends 25 forced outwardly so as to facilitate its engagement and disengagement, from said downwardly and backwardly extending stem top portion 11. It is merely necessary to force the clamp portion 24 on or off the stem top portion 11 for engaging and disengaging it, as desired.

The end portions of the strip 20 are associated with means for releasably connecting them together for holding the strip portion 20 about the hanger rod 19. This clamp is in the nature of a hook portion 26 which projects from the outer
end of the clamp portion 21. This hook portion 26 is cooperative with a keeper opening 27 formed in the back of the clamp 24. The dot and dash lines at the top of Fig. 3 illustrate the manner in which the flexible strip 20 may be bent around the hanger rod 18 and may be held in this position by engaging the hook portion 26 with the keeper opening 27.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred embodiments of my invention, it is to be understood that I do not limit myself to the precise constructions herein disclosed and the right is reserved to all changes and modifications coming within the scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

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

1. A hook for garment hangers, comprising a strand of heavy stiff wire having a top hook portion extending approximately 225 degrees in circular shape from a point beginning at an open front side of the hook and continuing into a downwardly and backwardly extending stem top portion disposed at approximately 30 degrees to the vertical and tangent to said hook portion, said stem top portion continuing into a downwardly and forwardly extending stem central portion continuing into a vertically downwardly extending stem bottom portion, a flexible strip extending along and in contact with the inner faces of said hook portion and said stem top portion and being permanently attached at its front end to the bottom end of said hook portion, and means for releasably connecting the ends of said strip together for holding said strip about a hanger rod.

2. A hook for garment hangers, comprising a strand of heavy stiff wire having a top hook portion extending approximately 225 degrees in circular shape from a point beginning at an open front side of the hook and continuing into a downwardly and backwardly extending stem top portion disposed at approximately 30 degrees to the vertical and tangent to said hook portion, said stem top portion continuing into a downwardly and forwardly extending stem central portion continuing into a vertically downwardly extending stem bottom portion, a flexible strip extending along and in contact with the inner faces of said hook portion and said stem top portion and being permanently attached at its front end to the bottom end of said hook portion, and means for releasably connecting the ends of said strip together for holding said strip about a hanger rod, the front end of said flexible strip being formed with a clamp which engages the end of said top hook portion.

4. A hook for garment hangers, comprising a strand of heavy stiff wire having a top hook portion extending approximately 225 degrees in circular shape from a point beginning at an open front side of the hook and continuing into a downwardly and backwardly extending stem top portion disposed at approximately 30 degrees to the vertical and tangent to said hook portion, said stem top portion continuing into a downwardly and forwardly extending stem central portion continuing into a vertically downwardly extending stem bottom portion, a flexible strip extending along and in contact with the inner faces of the hook portions, the front end of said flexible strip being formed with a clamp which engages the end of said top hook portion, and the extremity of said top portion being enlarged to prevent said clamp from slipping off.

5. A hook for garment hangers, comprising a strand of heavy stiff wire having a top hook portion extending approximately 225 degrees in circular shape from a point beginning at an open front side of the hook and continuing into a downwardly and forwardly extending stem central portion continuing into a vertically downwardly extending stem bottom portion a flexible strip extending along and in contact with the inner faces of the hook portions, the front end of said flexible strip being formed with a clamp which engages the end of said top hook portion, and the extremity of said top portion being enlarged to prevent said clamp from slipping off.

6. A hook for garment hangers, comprising a strand of heavy stiff wire having a top hook portion extending approximately 225 degrees in circular shape from a point beginning at an open front side of the hook and continuing into a downwardly and forwardly extending stem central portion continuing into a vertically downwardly extending stem bottom portion, a flexible strip extending along and in contact with the inner faces of said hook portion and said stem top portion and being permanently attached at its front end to the bottom end of said hook portion, and means for releasably connecting the ends of said strip together for holding said strip about a hanger rod, the front end of said flexible strip being formed with a clamp which engages the end of said top hook portion, and the extremity of said top portion being enlarged to prevent said clamp from slipping off.

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