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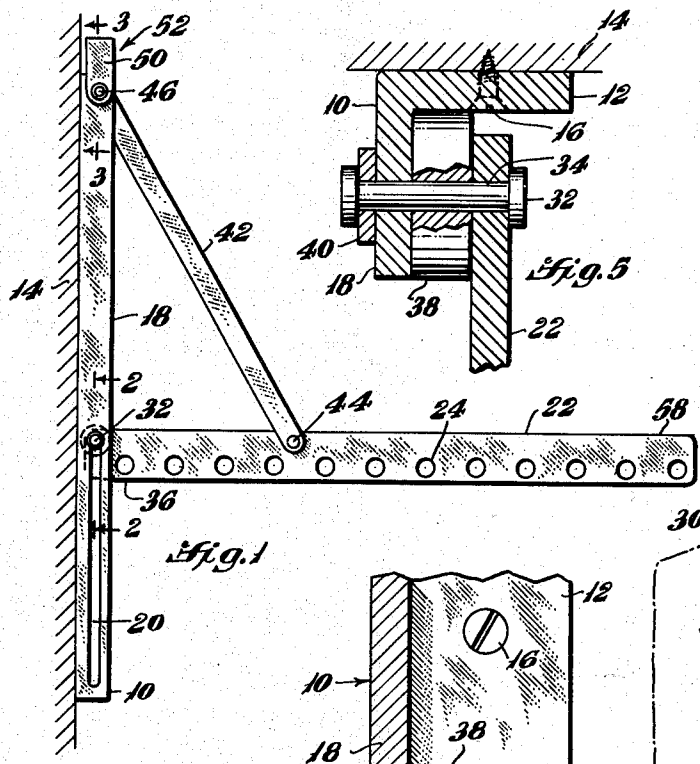


Fig. 1

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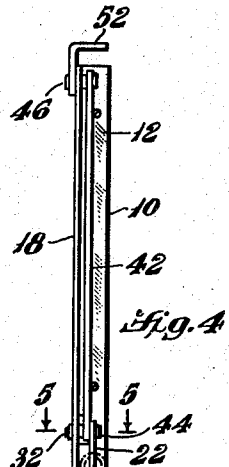
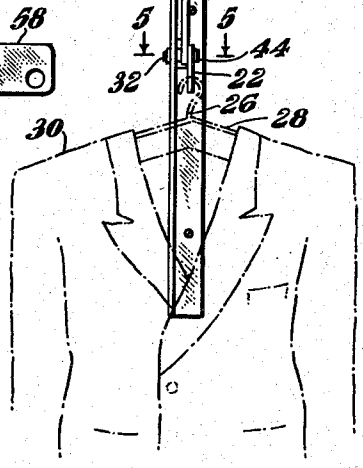


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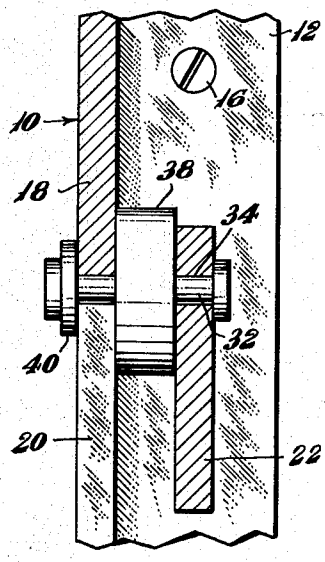


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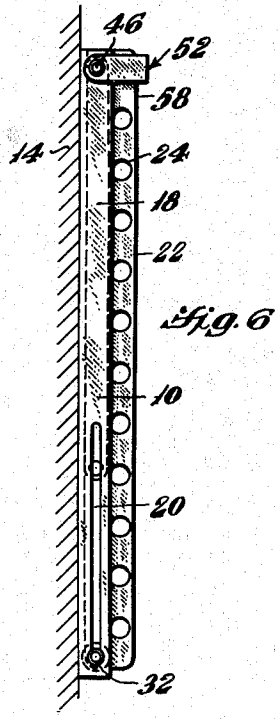


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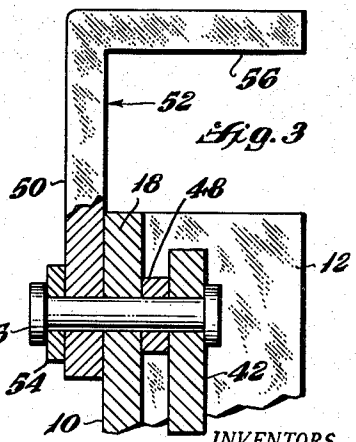


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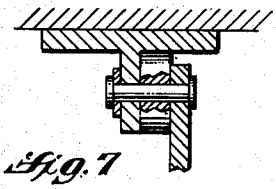


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This invention relates to supports for coat hangers and the like.

An object of the invention is to provide an improved coat hanger support which is adapted to engage with a plurality of coat hangers upon which garments are draped, supporting the same in a safe and secure manner.

Another object of the invention is to provide an improved coat hanger support which is adapted to be permanently fastened to a wall or like surface, and is easily extended for use with coat hangers, and retracted readily out of the way against the wall when not in use.

A further object of the invention is to provide an improved coat hanger support including a substantially main vertical wall engaging member and a coat hanger boom carried thereby and having a plurality of openings to receive the hooks of coat hangers, the boom being normally extended outwardly from the wall engaging member, and including means whereby the boom, when not in use, may be retracted against the wall engaging member and thus out of the way.

Still another object of the invention is to provide a coat hanger support of the type described, which is simple in design, inexpensive to manufacture, and which is effective in use.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the following description of a preferred embodiment thereof as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a side elevational view of the coat hanger support with its boom in extended position,

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary sectional elevation taken on line 2—2 of Fig. 1,

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary sectional elevation taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 1,

Fig. 4 is a right end elevation of the device shown in Fig. 1, with a coat hanger and garment carried thereby also illustrated in proper position,

Fig. 5 is a sectional plan view taken on line 5—5 of Fig. 4,

Fig. 6 is a side elevation similar to that of Fig. 1, but showing the parts in retracted positions, and

Fig. 7 is a sectional plan view similar to that of Fig. 5, but showing a modified form of the invention.

Reference may now be had to the drawings, in order to understand clearly the nature of the invention and the best means for carrying it out, like numerals denoting similar parts throughout the several views.

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As shown, there is a vertical base member 10 formed of an elongated piece of angle iron, aluminum, or plastic material, with its inner flange 12 disposed against the wall surface 14 and secured thereto in any suitable manner as by means of screws 16. The outstanding flange 18 of the base member is provided with an elongated vertical slot 20 near the lower portion thereof, for a purpose which will be apparent as the description proceeds.

An elongated boom 22 is provided with a number of spaced holes 24 to receive the hooks 26 of coat hangers 28 upon which garments 30 are draped. A pin 32 which is headed at each end as best shown in Fig. 2, has its shank extending through the slot 20 and through a hole 34 formed in the inner end portion 36 of the boom arm 22, the pin 32 also passing through an axial bore formed in a roller 38 disposed between the boom arm and the flange 18 of the base member. A washer 40 is placed under the left hand head of the pin 32 as seen in Figs. 2 and 5.

From Fig. 5, it will be seen that as the boom arm 22 moves from extended position shown in Fig. 1 to retracted position shown in Fig. 6, the pin 32 rides downwards in the slot 20, and the outer surface of the roller 38 rides upon the surface of the flange 12, thus minimizing friction.

A lateral strut or tension member 42 is pivotally secured by pin 44 to the boom arm 22 intermediate its ends as shown best in Fig. 1, the upper end of the tension member 42 being secured by pin 46 to the upper portion of the base member 18, a washer 48 being disposed between the members 42 and 18 thereat. The pin 46 also passes through one leg 50 of a keeper 52 which is thus pivoted upon the pin, a spacing washer being shown at 54.

It will be seen that when the parts are in the positions shown in Fig. 1, the keeper leg 50 is in its upper position, whereas when the parts are in their retracted positions shown in Fig. 6, the keeper is swung downwards to a horizontal position, so as to bring its leg 56 into the path of the end 58 of the boom arm 22, thus holding it in upraised position.

Fig. 7 illustrates a modified form of the invention, the main difference being that the base member 10a is a T shape in cross section instead of L-shaped as previously illustrated in Fig. 5.

It will be seen that the device described herein offers many advantages over present day coat hanger supports, being easily extendable and re-

tractable readily out of the way when not needed. Although we have described our invention in specific terms, it is to be understood that various changes may be made in size, shape, materials and arrangement without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

We claim:

1. A coat hanger support comprising an elongated upstanding base member having one flange supportable upon a wall by means of fastening elements and having its other flange extending outwardly from said wall, said outer flange having an elongated slot formed therein, a boom arm having a plurality of coat hanger engaging holes formed therein, a pin carried by said boom arm at the rearward end thereof and engaging through said elongated slot so as to be movable with said end of the boom arm therein, a roller carried by said pin and adapted to roll upon said inner flange of the base member, a tension member pinned at its lower end to a portion of the boom arm intermediate its ends and pinned at its upper end to an upper portion of said base member, and a keeper having one leg pivotally engaging the upper end of said base member and adapted to move pivotally into the path of the outer end of said boom arm when in upraised retracted position, so as to block movement thereof into extended position.

2. The construction according to claim 1, characterized further in that said base member is T shaped when viewed in horizontal cross section with side flanges, said roller bearing upon one of its flanges which is disposed against the said wall surface.

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