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Fig. 1.

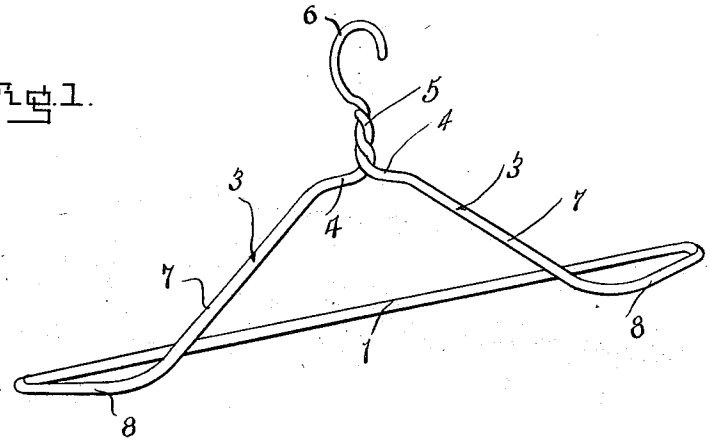



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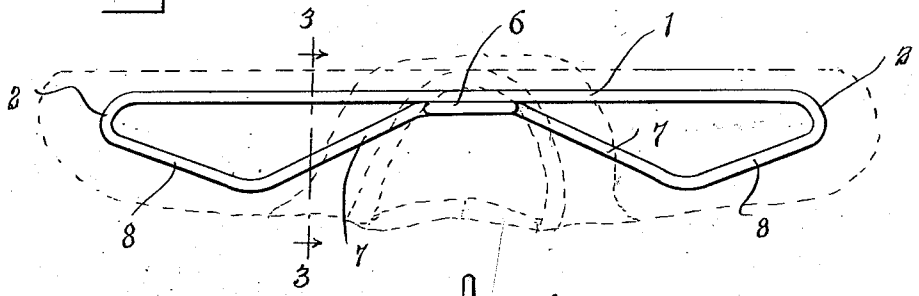
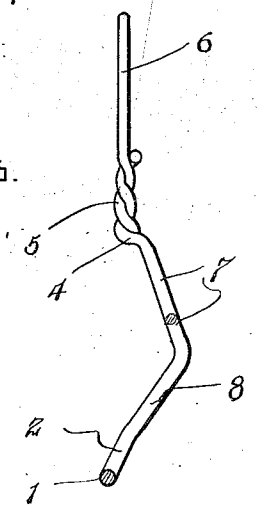



Fig. 3.




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This invention relates to garment supports and more particularly to a coat hanger upon which a coat may be placed and suspended in a closet when not in use.

One object of the invention is to provide a coat hanger consisting of a strand of wire bent to assume a special shape and so formed that when a coat is placed upon it the shoulders and collar will be prevented from getting out of shape.

Another object of the invention is to provide a coat hanger which is very simple in construction and will not be liable to be easily bent out of its proper shape by the weight of a coat.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved coat hanger;

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the coat hanger, and

Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

The improved coat hanger constituting the subject-matter of this invention consists of a strand of strong wire which is bent in spaced relation to its ends to provide a stretcher bar 1 having upwardly curved ends 2 which merge into arms 3. The arms converge upwardly and are bent toward each other, as shown at 4, and then twisted together to provide a shank 5 for a suspending hook 6. One end portion of the metal strand projects from the shank and is bent to provide the hook. The arms 3 which converge upwardly from the ends of the stretcher bar are bent intermediate their upper and lower ends to provide end portions 7 and 8 which are disposed at an incline, as shown in Fig. 3, and converge forwardly. Since the arms are bent to provide forwardly converging upper and lower portions, the stretcher bar will extend across the back of a coat and the upper and lower portions of the arms will engage the shoulder and collar portions of a coat, as shown in Fig. 2, where a coat placed upon the hanger is indicated by dotted lines and this will keep the coat in its proper shape and prevent it from forming wrinkles in the shoulders and rear portion of the collar. The stretcher bar prevents the arms from being forced toward each other by the weight of the coat and also prevents them from being bent out of shape or out of proper angular relation to each other. I have, therefore, provided a coat hanger which is cheap to produce and will be strong and durable so that it may support a heavy coat and so shaped that wrinkles will not be formed in the coat while suspended upon the coat hanger. If it is found that the hanger does not properly fit a coat or other garment to be suspended thereon, the angle between the upper and lower portions of the arms may be varied until they assume the proper angular relation to each other.

Having thus described the invention, I claim:

1. A coat hanger comprising a strand bent intermediate its length to provide a spreader bar and portions curved upwardly from its ends, and arms for engaging beneath and supporting shoulder portions of a coat, said arms converging upwardly from the said curved portions and intersecting at their upper ends, the end portions of the strand being joined and bent to provide suspending means extending upwardly from the intersecting upper ends of said arms, said arms being bent intermediate their ends to provide upper and lower portions located on one side of a plane containing the spreader bar and supporting means and extending at an incline and intersecting intermediate the ends of the arms.

2. A coat hanger comprising a spreader bar, arms for engaging beneath and supporting shoulder portions of a coat converging upwardly from the ends of said spreader bar and joined at their upper ends, and support engaging means at the joined upper ends of said arms, said arms being bent intermediate their ends to provide upper and lower portions projecting from the spreader bar and the joined upper ends of the arms and located on one side of a plane containing the spreader bar and support engaging means and intersecting intermediate the ends of the arms.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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