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Fig. 1.

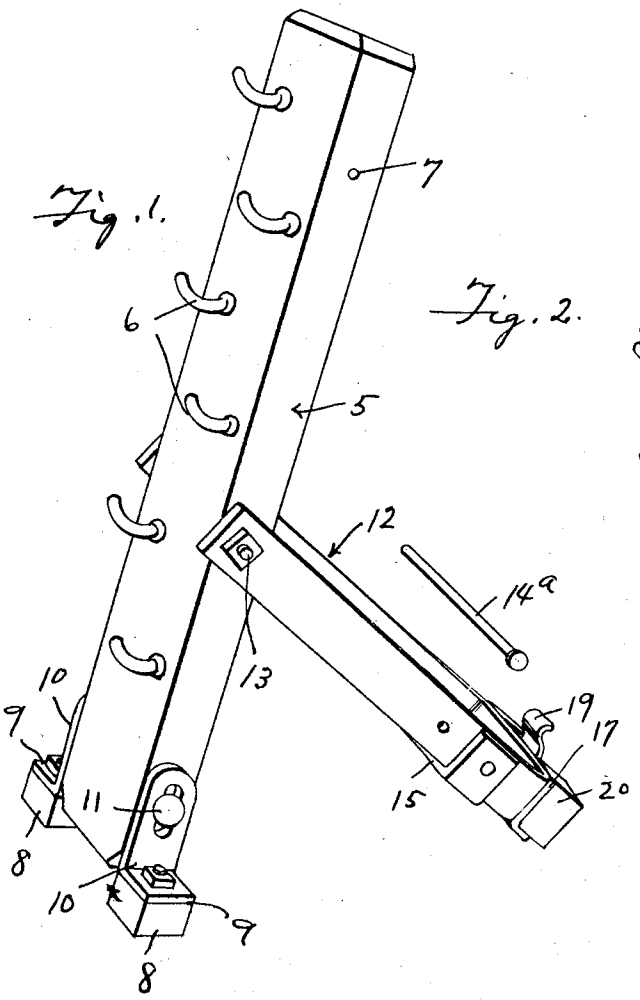


Fig. 2.

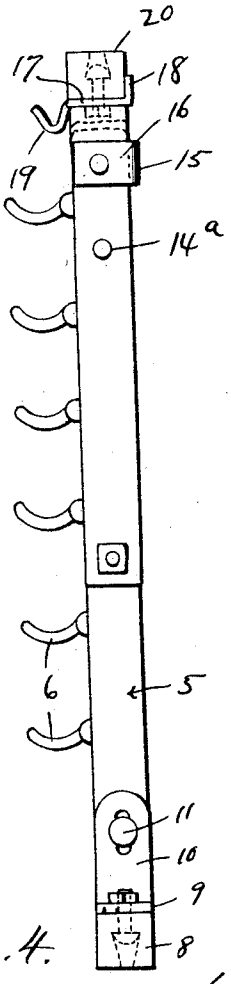


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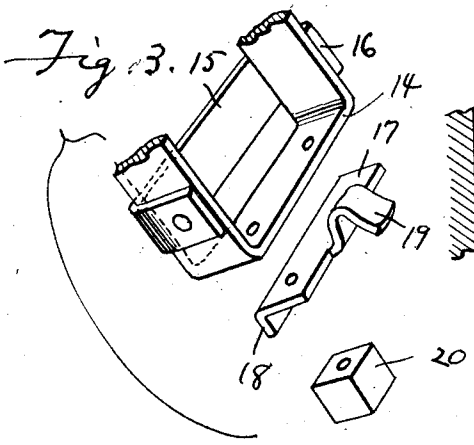
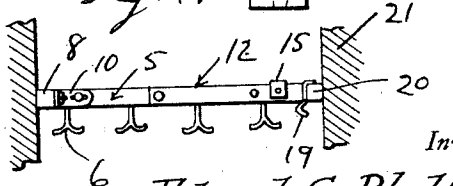


Fig. 4.



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The present invention relates to an improved product of manufacture, such as may be conveniently designated as an article support, the same having more particular reference to a device of this class which is provided with a multiplicity of suspension hooks to operate as hangers for articles of clothing, cooking utensils and the like, thus making the device particularly advantageous for home use.

Briefly, the invention has reference to a structure of this kind which includes a stationary section carrying adjustable surface engaging abutments, and a pivotally or swingably mounted section cooperable with the first-named section and including stationary abutments for engagement with a complemental surface.

The particular details of these parts will become more readily apparent from the following description and drawings.

In the drawings:—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the complete device, with the respective sections separated.

Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, with the sections swung and connected together in vertical supporting relation.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary detail perspective view of an end portion of the swingable sections, and the details associated therewith.

Fig. 4 is a view showing the approximate manner of using the device between a pair of supporting surfaces.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, it will be seen that the so-called stationary section is designated by the reference character 5. This comprises an elongated block of wood or other suitable material provided on one side with a multiplicity of suspension hooks 6. The hooks may be of any appropriate design for supporting articles of clothing, for kitchen ware and the like.

At one end of this section 5 is a transverse bolt hole 7 which serves in a manner to be hereinafter described. At the opposite end are adjustable abutments. These comprise rubber blocks or buffers 8 fastened to laterally directed end portions 9 of right angular attaching brackets 10. The brackets are slotted and adjustably connected with a retaining cross-bolt 11 which extends through an end portion of the block 5.

The reference character 12 designates generally the relatively movable section of the device. This is in the form of a substantially U-shaped frame, the arms of which are pivotally connected at 13 to the central portion of the section 5. This allows the section 12 to be swung in the direction of the arrow so that the bight portion 14 will swing over the upper end of the part 5 in Fig. 1. Incidentally a removable retaining pin 14^a is provided, and this passes through the arm of the part 12, and then through the aforesaid bolt hole 7.

Also as better shown in Fig. 3, a cross piece 15 is provided, this having its laterally directed ends 16 fastened to the arms of the frame adjacent the bight of the latter. This part 15 provides a stop and limits the swinging movement of the frame in one direction. A small plate 17 is provided and this is fastened to the bight portion 14 and has an outwardly struck lip 18, as well as a resilient catch 19.

The catch is adapted to take over the end portion of the part 5 as shown in Fig. 2. The lip is adapted to confine additional rubber bumpers or blocks 20 which are fastened to the plate 17 in any suitable manner.

In practice, the device is disposed between supporting walls or other surfaces as represented at 21 in Fig. 4. In doing this, the section 12 is swung up to bring the abutments 20 into engagement with one wall, and the abutments 8 in engagement with the other wall. The catch 19 snaps over the section 5 and holds the parts in adjusted relation. However, the pin 14^a is also used (as shown in Fig. 2), to aid in holding the parts in adjusted relation.

In the event the device is too tight or too loose, the bolt 11 is adjusted so that the brackets 10 can be slid either in one direction or the other to tighten or loosen the pressure between the blocks 8 and the complemental supporting surfaces 21.

The advantages received from a device of this kind will be quite clear after reading the description in connection with the drawings, for which reason a more lengthy description is deemed unnecessary.

Minor changes in shape, size, and rearrangement of parts, coming within the scope of the adjoined claim may be resorted to in actual practice.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is:—

As a new product of manufacture, an article support of the class described, comprising a sectional body, one section being

provided with suspension elements, brackets adjustably connected with said one section, abutments carried by said brackets, said other section being in the form of a substantially U-shaped frame, the arms of which are adapted to straddle the longitudinal edge portions of said first-named section, and a bight portion being swingable over one end of said first-named section, a stop carried by said first named section, a plate also carried by the bight portion of said swingable section, a resilient catch carried by said plate, and abutments also carried by said plate.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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