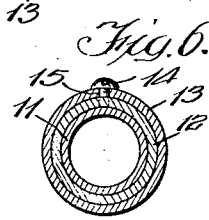
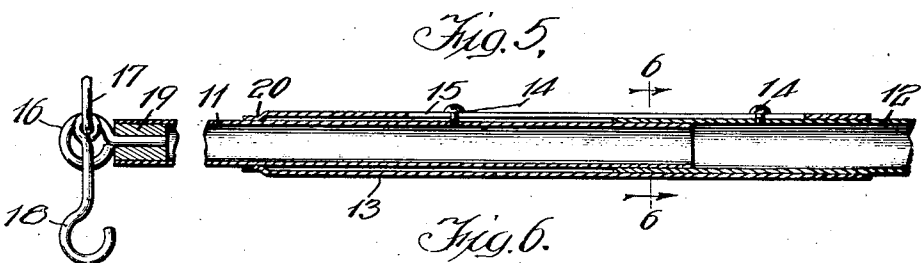
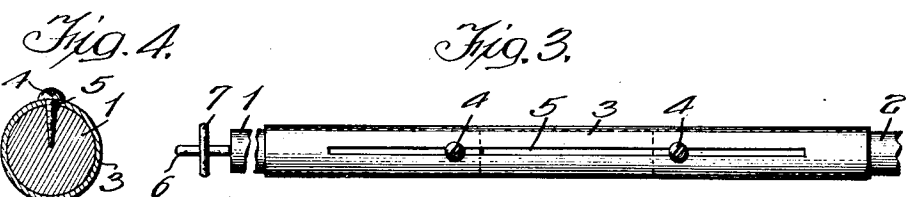
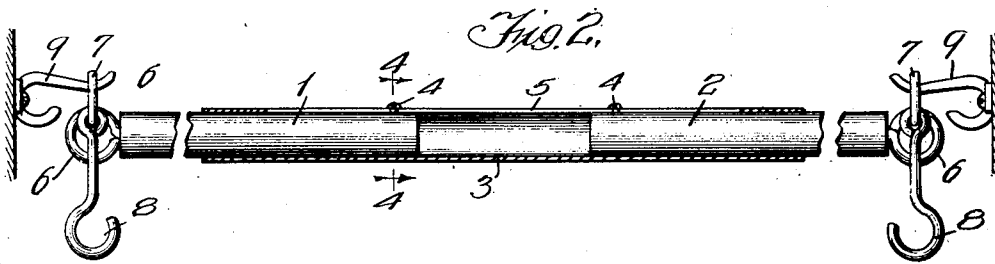
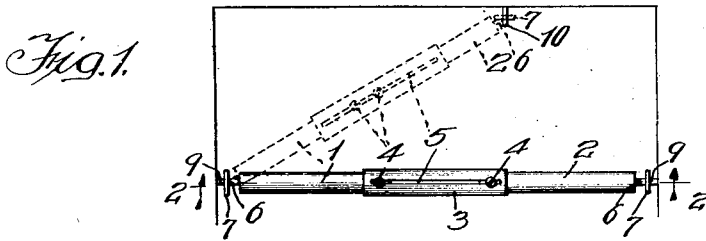


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLINTON E. PARDRIDGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Hanger Supporters or the like, of which the following is a description.

My invention belongs to that general class of devices known as garment hangers, and relates particularly to an adjustable supporting bar from which the garment hangers may be carried. The invention has among its objects the production of a device of the kind described that is simple, convenient, durable, efficient, attractive and satisfactory for use wherever found applicable. More particularly it has as an object the production of a simple form of an adjustable supporting bar which may be adjusted for use in various sized closets, or extended or shortened, depending upon the number of garments to be carried. Many other objects and advantages of the construction herein shown and described will be obvious to those skilled in the art from the disclosures herein given.

To this end my invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement and combination of parts herein shown and described, and more particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, wherein like reference characters indicate like or corresponding parts,

Figure 1 is a plan view of one form of my device in use, illustrating how the same may be adjusted as desired;

Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken substantially on line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a view of a portion of the device similar to Fig. 1, enlarged to more clearly show the construction;

Fig. 4 is a sectional view taken substantially on line 4—4 of Fig. 2;

Fig. 5 is a sectional view of a slightly modified construction; and

Fig. 6 is a sectional view taken substantially on line 6—6 of Fig. 5.

It may be mentioned that the device herein described is particularly intended for use in closets, wardrobes and the like for carrying or supporting one or more hangers (not shown) upon which garments or the like may be carried, it being understood, however, that its use is not entirely limited

to garment hangers, and particularly to any style of garment hanger. Frequently it happens that the closet, locker or wardrobe space is limited and it is desirable to support a considerable number of garments in the closet. In order to prevent crushing and wrinkling of the garments, it is desirable that the same be supported in such a manner that they will hang freely, and so that they may be conveniently hung up or taken down. Not only is it some times desirable to change them about in closets or lockers in which the devices hang, but owing to the frequent moving about from one apartment to another, closets of various sizes are met with. Likewise it is found that some times it is not necessary to have as much hanger hanging space as at other times, while it is perhaps desirable at other times to extend the hanging support to take care of additional garments. My device meets all of the requirements above specified in that it is easily applied to various sized closets or wardrobes, or removable therefrom, it is portable, and is adjustable to meet varying conditions.

Referring to the drawings, the device shown in Figs. 1 to 4 consists of the bar parts 1 and 2 adjustably connected together by a sleeve 3 or its equivalent, the number of sleeves depending upon the number of bar parts. I have considered it unnecessary to illustrate more than one sleeve and only a pair of bar parts 1 and 2. In the case illustrated, both parts are adjustable in the sleeve. The parts and sleeves may be of suitable material, in this case I have illustrated wooden bar parts and a metal sleeve, and have shown means for preventing the accidental withdrawal of the parts from the sleeve. As shown, 4 are screws which extend through a slot 5 in the sleeve into the parts 1 and 2, the same being arranged to engage the ends of the slot 5 and prevent the parts 1 and 2 from being entirely accidentally removed from the sleeve. At each extreme end of the device, as shown the outer end of part 1 and part 2, I provide means for detachably securing or supporting the bar. A simple construction is to provide eyes 6 and a ring 7 or the equivalent, a hook 8 being arranged as shown if desired. It should be understood that the number of rings 7, as well as the design, style, etc., of the hooks 8, etc., may be as desired. The device is supported by engaging with the

hooks 9 or the equivalent, which are ordinarily provided in all closets, lockers, or wardrobes. However, the hooks 9 represent any suitable form of hook, eye, or the equivalent, in the closet or the like, or which may be placed therein for the purpose. In Fig. 1 I have illustrated how the device may be shortened so as to engage a different hook or member 10. In this case only a portion of the closet room is taken up, a portion of the side hooks in the closet being conveniently exposed for use as desired. However, as more garment hangers are hung up, the bar may be extended as found necessary or desirable.

The form of device shown in Figs. 5 and 6 may be used in the same way, but the construction is slightly modified. In this case the bar parts telescope, one within the other, one or both being tubular. Referring to the figures, 11 represents one bar part arranged to telescope within a bar part 12, 13 being a sleeve which may be slotted as at 15 for the stops which are in the form of screws 14. Parts 16, 17 and 18 represent the supporting members, and in this case the eyes 16 may be secured in suitable filler blocks 19 of wood or equivalent material. I have shown one end of the sleeve 13 formed as at 20 to engage and closely fit the part 11. This form of device is the equivalent of the other in so far as use is employed.

From the preceding description it will be seen that the device is readily portable from one closet or wardrobe to another, fitting any of them within its limits of adjustment for shortening or lengthening, and that it may be used in practically any closet so as to be of the desired size for the garments desired to be hung up and supported from the same.

Having thus described my invention, it is obvious that various immaterial modifications may be made in the same without de-

parting from the spirit of my invention; hence I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the exact form, construction, arrangement and combination of parts herein shown and described, or uses mentioned.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A garment hanger of the character described comprising a pair of parts, one telescoping in the other, a sleeve surrounding the parts and slidably engaging one of said parts, said sleeve being reduced in diameter at one end and fashioned to slidably engage the other part, and supporting devices carried by each of said parts.

2. A garment hanger of the character described comprising a pair of parts, one telescoping in the other, a sleeve surrounding the parts and slidably engaging one of said parts, said sleeve being reduced in diameter at one end and fashioned to slidably engage the other part, supporting devices carried by the outer ends of each of said parts, and means connected with the adjustable parts and coöperating with the sleeve for preventing accidental withdrawal of said parts from the sleeve.

3. A garment hanger of the character described comprising a pair of parts, one of which is of a hollow formation and adapted to receive the other part, a sleeve carried by the larger part and having a reduced portion adapted to slidably engage the other part, and supporting devices carried by said parts.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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