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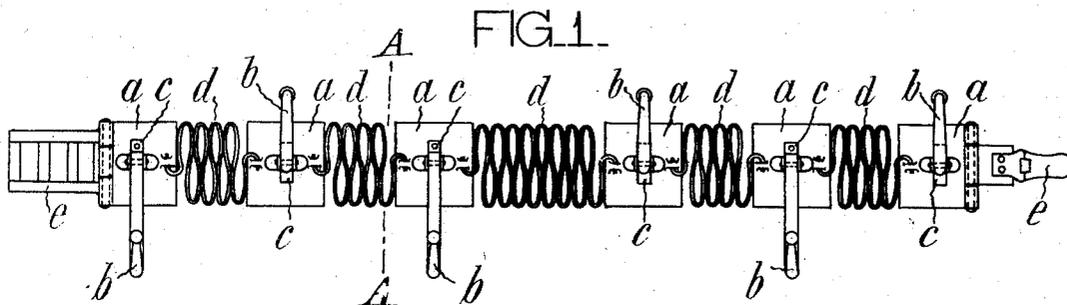
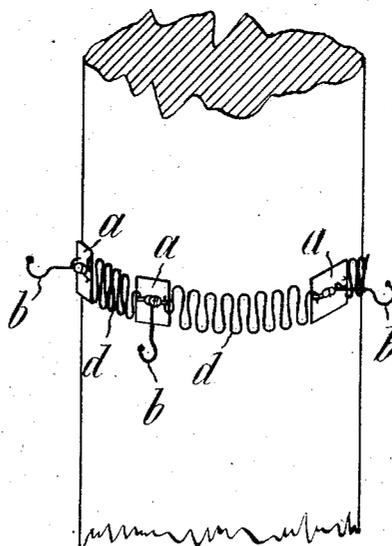
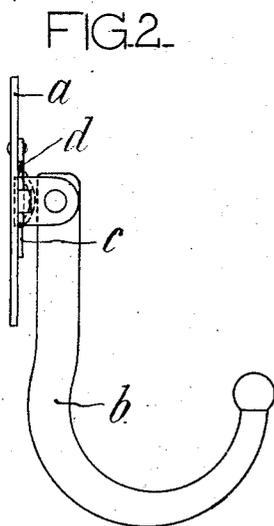


FIG. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILHELM SEYDEL, a subject of the King of Prussia, residing in the city of Ratibor, Gartengasse 2^a, in the Kingdom of Prussia, German Empire, have invented new and useful Improvements in Supports for Clothing, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a support for clothing consisting of a spring girdle that can be attached without risk of injury to trees, poles and the like, in such manner as to be easily removable therefrom.

The characteristic feature of the invention consists in the fact that the girdle is composed of alternately arranged springs and plates having hooks attached to them, these being so connected together at the joints that they can easily be separated. This arrangement enables links to be easily attached or detached from the girdle, so as to adapt it to the girth of any particular tree.

The accompanying drawings show by way of example one constructional form of support for clothing in accordance with this invention: wherein

Figure 1 is a view of the open girdle, Fig. 2 a section on the line A—A of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is a view of the girdle as applied to a tree-trunk or pole.

The girdle or clothing support comprises a number of plates *a*, preferably of sheet steel, to which there are attached hooks *b* for supporting the clothes. It is advisable that the hooks *b* should be so connected with the plates *a* as to be capable of being turned into either a horizontal or a vertical direction, being maintained in position when in the horizontal direction by a spring *c*. When in the latter position a hook *b* may be used for the support of a hat, while it may be used when in the vertical position, for supporting clothes. The separate plates *a* are so connected with each other by means of springs *d*, as together to form an elastic girdle. The springs, in the example of girdle shown in the drawings, are flat to enable the girdle to lie compactly against the trunk of the tree: they may, however, in some cases be of rounded form, such for instance as helical or spiral springs. The ends of the springs are inserted in eyes provided on the plates *a* in such manner as to be easily removable, so that the number of plates and springs forming the girdle can be varied as may be required.

The end plates *a* are flexibly connected

with the parts of a buckle *e* by means of which the girdle may be secured. To enable the length of the girdle also to be adjusted within certain limits by means of this buckle one of its parts *e* has arranged in it a series of slots through either of which the other half of the buckle may be passed so as to adapt the length of the girdle to the diameter of the tree trunk to which it is applied.

To render the girdle ready for use it need simply be put around the tree trunk and fastened by means of the buckle *e* (Fig. 3), whereupon the tension of the springs will cause the plates *a* to lie closely against the tree: and the hooks *b* can then be turned into the position suitable for supporting hats or clothes.

I claim:

1. A clothing support consisting of an elastic girdle adapted to be attached to a tree or the like, being composed of alternately arranged springs (*d*) and plates (*a*) provided with hooks (*b*) for supporting the clothing substantially as set forth.

2. A clothing support consisting of an elastic girdle adapted to be attached to a tree or the like, being composed of alternately arranged springs (*d*) and plates (*a*) provided with hooks (*b*) for supporting the clothing, parts (*d*) and (*a*) being removably connected substantially as set forth.

3. A clothing support consisting of an elastic girdle adapted to be attached to a tree or the like, being composed of alternately arranged springs (*d*) and plates (*a*) provided with hooks (*b*) for supporting the clothing, the hooks being adjustably arranged for use either in a horizontal or in a vertical position substantially as set forth.

4. A clothing support consisting of an elastic girdle adapted to be attached to a tree or the like, being composed of alternately arranged springs (*d*) and plates (*a*) provided with hooks (*b*) for supporting the clothing, parts (*d*) and (*a*) being removably connected and the hooks being adjustably arranged for use either in a horizontal or in a vertical position substantially as set forth.

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

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