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Fig. 1.

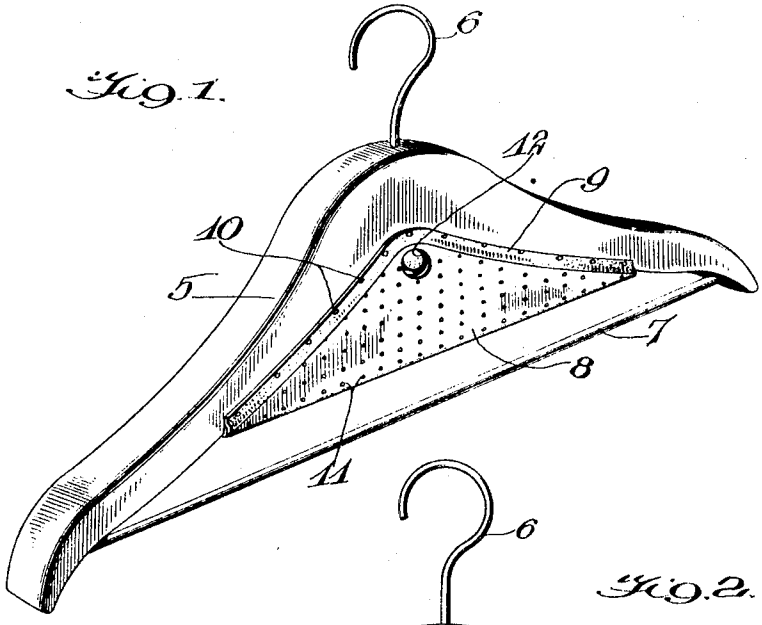


Fig. 2.

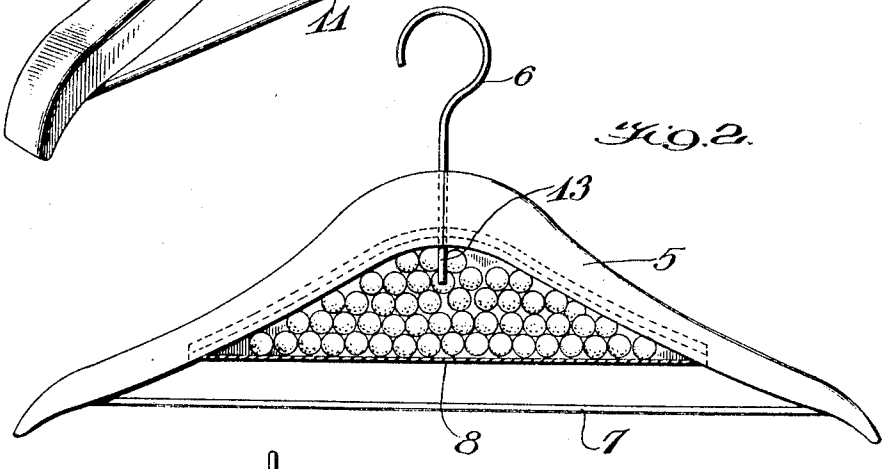
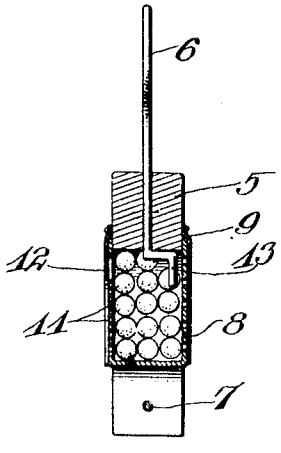


Fig. 3.



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GARMENT HANGER.

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This invention relates to garment hangers and more particularly to those made of wood and in the form of an arch, and generally called coat hangers.

One object of the invention is to associate with the type of hanger mentioned, a novel appliance for the protection of the garment from moths and other harmful insects.

A further object of the invention is to provide a receptacle peculiarly fitted to the garment hanger for the storage of moth balls.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a receptacle of the above kind which is situated and constructed in a way to be most effective for the destruction of the insects for which intended.

Another object of the invention is to so design the receptacle mentioned that it may be readily filled, yet securely closed by a simple expedient.

A final but nevertheless important object of the invention is to construct the same of few parts, whereby it may be manufactured at low cost and sold cheaply.

In order that the invention may be better understood, reference is had to the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the appliance;

Figure 2 is an elevation thereof, partly in section to disclose its interior, and

Figure 3 is a cross section of the appliance at a medial point.

Referring specifically to the drawing, 5 denotes a wood garment hanger of the type referred to above, the same having a hook 6 protruding from the top and a shelf rod 7 across its lower portion. This type of garment hanger is illustrated and described for purposes of convenience, but it will be understood that any other type which is adaptable to the invention may be used.

The novel feature in connection with the garment hanger is a receptacle 8 of sheet metal, which is applied to the hanger from beneath. This receptacle spans the space under the arch of the hanger, and is substantially U-shaped in cross section. Its walls are applied to and conform with the shape of the arch, and are covered by a binding strip 9, which serves to clamp the receptacle to the hanger. The binding strip is secured to the hanger by a series of tacks or nails 10. The walls of the receptacle are formed with a plurality of fine perforations 11, and near the upper part, one wall has an opening 12 by way of which the receptacle may be filled with moth balls as shown in Figures 2 and 3.

The hook 6 is extended downwardly and emerges from the underside of the hanger, being there formed with a lateral offset or crank 13 as clearly shown in Figure 3. In the position shown, it will be seen that the moth balls may be readily poured into the receptacle through the opening 12. When the receptacle has been filled, however, the hook 6 may be given a half-turn, which will place the offset or crank 13 opposite the opening 12 to form a barrier for the egress of any moth balls while the hanger is handled or if the same should tip or fall. The garment may then be mounted on the hanger and the same suspended in the ordinary manner without further attention.

It will be seen that the appliance forms a compact and efficient means for storing moth balls within a suspended garment. The perforations in the receptacle 8 will permit the odor of the moth balls to escape and fill the garment, protecting the same from the ravages of the insects. At the same time, the peculiar design of the closure 13 for the receptacle is an assurance that no moth balls will drop out of the receptacle when ordinarily handled.

I claim:—

1. The combination with a garment hanger, of a receptacle connected thereto, an inlet opening made in one wall, a movable hook for supporting said hanger, and means controlled by movement of said hook to bar said opening.

2. The combination with a garment hanger, of a receptacle connected thereto, an inlet opening made in one wall, a rotatable supporting hook for said hanger having an offset end projecting into said receptacle and said offset end moving to a position to bar said opening when said hook is turned to a certain position.

3. The combination with an arched garment hanger, having a supporting hook centrally directed therethrough, of a receptacle under the arch to enclose the space thereunder, and having its walls perforated, an inlet opening made in one wall, and an offset formed from the said hook opposite the side opening to obstruct the same when the

hook is in one position and to clear the same when the hook is turned to another position.

4. The combination with an arched garment hanger, having a supporting hook centrally directed therethrough, of a receptacle under the arch to enclose the space thereunder and having its walls perforated, an inlet opening made in one wall, a binder to secure the edge of each wall to the hanger, and an offset formed from the said hook opposite the side opening to obstruct the same when the hook is in one position and to clear the same when the hook is turned to another position.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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