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Fig. 1.

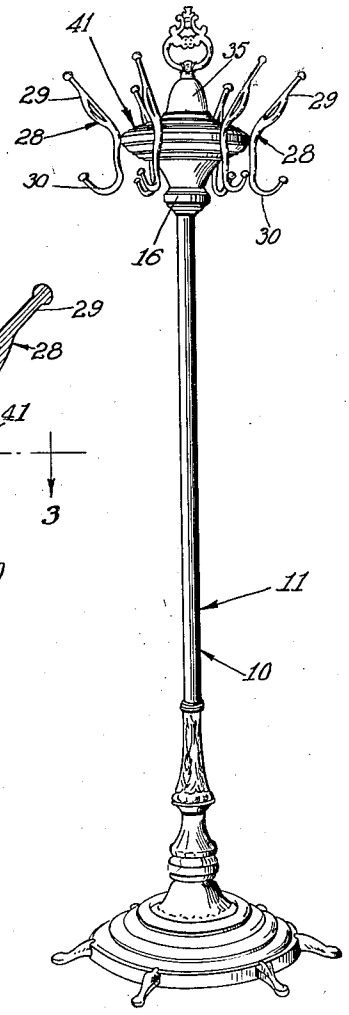

Fig. 2.

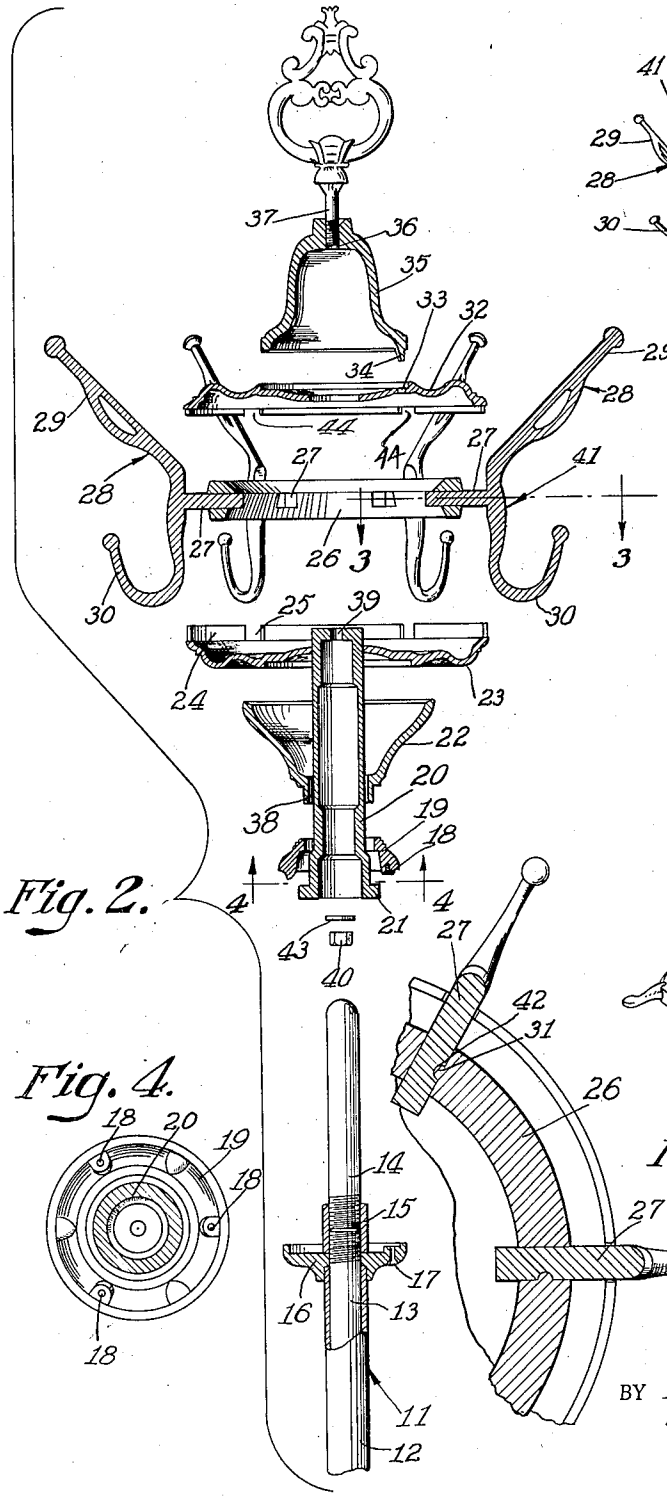

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Fig. 3.

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This invention relates to a costumer.

It is an object of this invention to provide an improved costumer which is relatively simple and inexpensive in construction and efficient in use.

Another object of the present invention is to provide an improved method of constructing and assembling a costumer for supporting articles of clothing such as hats, coats and the like.

Another object of the present invention is to provide an improved method of attaching the clothing-supporting members or hooks to the ring which supports same upon the vertical column or standard of the costumer.

A further object of the present invention is to provide a new and improved method for assembling the clothing-supporting unit upon, and for attaching the same to, the vertical standard or column of the costumer.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawing, showing the preferred form of construction and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a costumer embodying a preferred form of the present invention;

Fig. 2 is a so-called "exploded" vertical sectional view of the present costumer showing the parts thereof prior to assembly;

Fig. 3 is a sectional view on line 3—3 in Fig. 2; and

Fig. 4 is a sectional view on line 4—4 in Fig. 2.

A preferred form of the present costumer is shown in the drawing, is therein generally indicated at 10, and comprises a vertically extending supporting column or standard 11. This column or standard 11 includes an outer tubular sleeve 12 within which is arranged a post or rod 13; and the column 11 also includes a vertical post or rod 14, the posts or rods 13 and 14 being interconnected by a threaded coupling 15.

Arranged upon the upper end of the tubular outer sleeve 12 is a cup-shaped seat or flange 16 in which is provided a group of openings 17 and when the device is in assembled position (as in Fig. 1) screws or bolts are inserted through these openings 17 into threaded openings 18 which are formed in a coupling ring 19, this coupling ring 19 being slidably mounted upon a tubular sleeve 20 into which the upper post 14 is inserted when the device is assembled as in Fig. 1; the coupling ring 19 being retained upon the sleeve 20 by means of a flange 21.

Slidably mounted upon the sleeve 20 above the coupling ring 19, is a cone-shaped member 22, which has a depending skirt or flange portion 38 which projects downwardly between the sleeve 20 and the coupling ring 19, and fastened to the sleeve 20 above the member 22 is a coupling ring 23 which has an angular flange 24, and provided in this flange 24 at radial intervals therearound are notched or cut-out portions 25.

The costumer 10 includes a hook-supporting ring 26 and embedded in this ring 26 are anchor portions or arms 27 of garment supporting members or hooks, which are generally indicated at 28, and each of which includes an upwardly extending arm or hook 29 and a depending arm or hook 30.

Provided in each of the arm or anchor portions 27 of the garment supporting members 28 is a notch portion 42 (Fig. 3) and extending into each of these notched portions 42 is a portion 31 of the body of the ring 26 (Fig. 3).

The costumer 10 also includes a coupling ring 32 which is arranged above the hook-supporting ring 26 (Fig. 2), and provided in this coupling ring 32 is a notched or cut-out portion 33, and adapted to be received in this cut-out portion 33 is a depending key portion 34 which is formed in an ornamental canopy or dome-shaped member 35. Provided in the upper end or top portion of this dome-shaped member or canopy 35 is an opening 36 and extending into this opening 36 is a threaded stem or bolt 37.

Provided in the peripheral edge of the coupling ring 32, on the bottom side of the latter, and at radial intervals therearound (Fig. 2) are notched or cut-out portions 44.

For the purpose of convenience, all of the parts 20—22—23—26—32 and 35 will be generally referred to hereinafter as the unit 41.

In the manufacture of the present costumer the arm or anchor portions 27 of the garment supporting members 28 are preferably made of relatively hard metal and these arms or anchor portions 27 are inserted into a mold and the metal which forms the body of the ring 26 is then poured into the mold, whereupon the metal flows around the arms or anchor portions 27 of the garment-supporting members or hooks 28 and into the notched or cut-out portions 42, which are provided therein, thereby securely fastening the garment supporting members 28 to the supporting ring 26 without the use of attaching elements, such as screws, or the like, and thus effecting a permanent union between the sup-

porting ring 26 and the garment supporting members or hooks 28.

The method of assembling the present costumer is as follows: the parts being arranged in the relative positions in which they are shown in Fig. 2, the cone-shaped member 22 is moved upwardly upon the sleeve 20 until its upper end bears against the bottom of the coupling ring 23, and the coupling ring 19 is forced upwardly upon the sleeve 20 so that the same encircles the flange 38 of the cone-shaped member 22; while at the same time the hook-supporting ring 26 is arranged upon the coupling ring 23 in such a manner that the depending hooks 30 project into the notched portions 25 which are formed in the flange 24 of the coupling ring 23 and the upwardly extending arms or hooks 29 project into the notched or cut-out portions 44 of the coupling ring 32. During this assembling operation the coupling ring 32 is arranged upon the hook-supporting ring 26 and the canopy or dome 35 is arranged upon the coupling ring 32 so that the key portion 34 of the dome 35 projects downwardly into the notched or cut-out portion 33 which is formed in the ring 32. The bolt 37 is then projected downwardly through the aligned openings 36 and 39 into the body of the sleeve 20, whereupon the parts embodied in the unit 41 and thus assembled are fastened together by means of a suitable nut 40 and washer 43, the nut being attached to the threaded bolt 37 by means of a socket wrench or the like which may be inserted into the sleeve 20 through the open lower end thereof.

The assembled unit 41 is then arranged upon the post 14 of the column 11 by slipping the sleeve 20 over the latter, so that the flange 21 of the sleeve 20 rests upon the coupling ring 16. The unit 41 thus assembled and placed upon the post portion 14 of the column 11 is then fastened in position by means of bolts or screws which may be inserted through openings 17 in the coupling ring 16 into the threaded openings 18 in the coupling ring 19.

It is to be noted that in the construction of the present costumer the arms or anchor portions 27 of the garment-supporting members 28 are attached to or molded into, the supporting ring 26 without the use of screws, bolts, or other attaching means, so that a permanent union is effected between these parts; and the garment supporting members 28 are thus prevented from becoming detached or loose, which has been a difficulty experienced in the use of certain of the prior art costumers, in the construction of which the hooks are attached to their supporting member by means of screws or the like, and which screws or the like become loose when the costumer is in use.

It is also to be noted in connection with the present costumer that the several elements or parts of the unit 41 are attached to the column 11 in a relatively simple and yet expeditious manner, and by means of a single operation, namely by means of screws which are inserted through the openings 17 in the coupling ring 16 into the corresponding threaded openings 18 which are formed in the coupling ring 19; thereby effecting a saving of time and labor in the construction or assembly of the present costumer.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred form of construction for carrying my invention into effect, this is capable of variation and modification, without departing from the spirit of the invention. I, therefore, do not wish to be limited to the precise details of construction set forth, but desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. A costumer comprising a vertical supporting column including an upper end portion having a laterally projecting flange thereon; a sleeve removably mounted upon the said upper end portion of said column; a garment-supporting unit detachably arranged upon said sleeve and including a supporting ring; hooks attached to and formed integrally with said supporting ring; a plurality of clamping members arranged upon said sleeve upon opposite sides of said supporting ring and movable vertically relative to said supporting ring; and means, including a member slidably mounted upon said sleeve and detachably attached to said flange, for detachably attaching said clamping members and said supporting ring together and upon said column.

2. A costumer comprising a vertically extending column or standard including an upper end portion having a laterally projecting flange thereon; a sleeve removably receivable upon the said upper end portion of said vertically extending column or standard; a supporting ring; and garment or clothing-supporting hooks attached to and extending from said supporting ring; means for detachably coupling said supporting ring to said sleeve including a member slidably mounted upon said sleeve and detachably attached to said flange, for detachably attaching said sleeve to the said upper end portion of said column or standard.

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