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ADJUSTABLE GARMENT HANGER.

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Fig. 1.

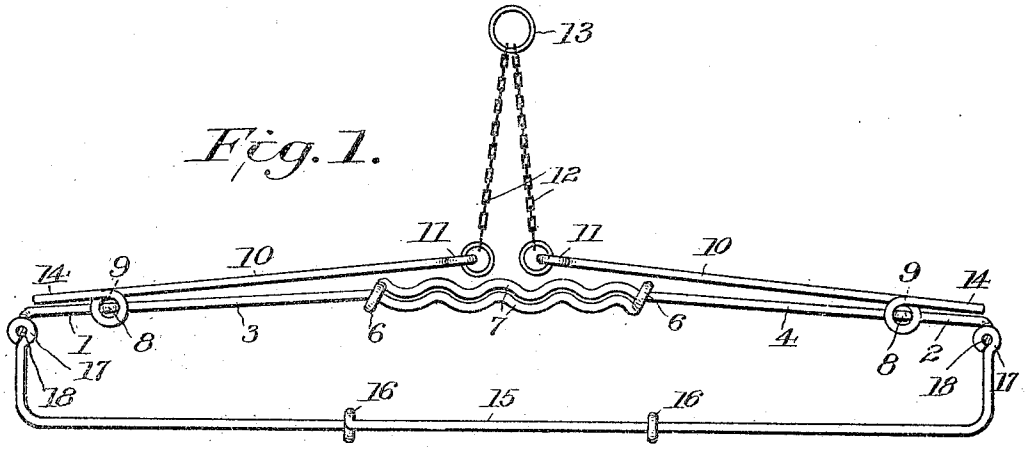


Fig. 2.

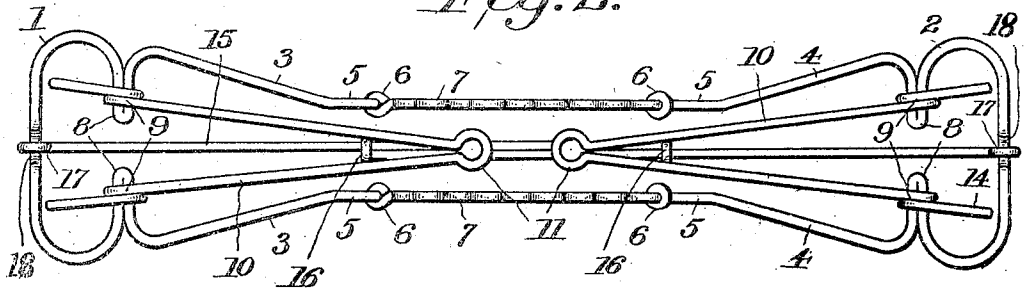
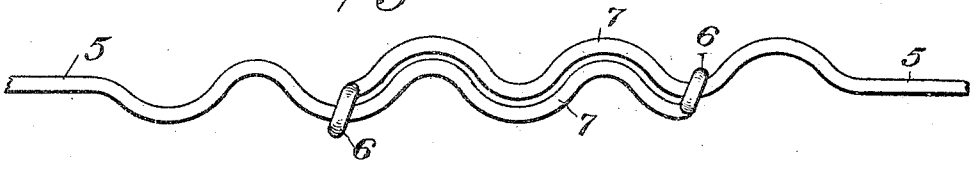


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE KAUFER, a citizen of the United States and resident of New York, in the county of Bronx and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Garment-Hangers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact specification.

This invention relates to garment hangers of the type shown in my application for patent filed May 1, 1920, Ser. No. 378,055, and which has means for positively holding the collar and shoulders of a coat to the correct shape.

It is the object of the present invention to provide improved means for adjusting the garment hangers to fit different sizes of coats, said means of adjustment being very simple in construction and easy to operate.

The invention will be first hereinafter described in connection with the accompanying drawings, which constitute part of this specification, and then more specifically defined in the claims at the end of the description.

In the accompanying drawings, wherein similar reference characters are used to designate corresponding parts throughout the several views:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a garment hanger made substantially in accordance with this invention, the same being shown adjusted to fit a small size coat.

Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same without the supporting chains, and

Fig. 3 is detailed side elevation of a pair of the adjustable crimped members adjusted to increase the length of the hanger and adapt it to fit a coat of larger size than that for which the adjustment shown in Fig. 2 is designed.

The hanger comprises shoulder loops 1 and 2 having converging portions 3 and 4, respectively, and parallel portions 5 which overlap one another and are crimped or corrugated, as at 7, similarly so that the ridges in one of the overlapping portions will fit in the notches of the other. At the extremities of said corrugated or crimped portions loops or eyes 6 are formed embracing the other member of each pair, so that in adjusting said shoulder loops 1 and 2 for altering the length of the hanger and adapting it to fit coats of different sizes the eyes 6 are slipped along over the ridges and into successive notches of said corrugated portions as will be readily understood by comparing Figs. 1 and 3 of the drawings. The corrugated overlapping portions have sufficient resiliency to permit of this adjustment and to retain the parts in adjusted position against accidental displacement.

The shoulder loops 1 and 2 have inwardly bent portions 8 constituting bearings for collar holding members 10 one of which is pivoted on said bearings of each shoulder member of loop. The collar holding members, like the shoulder loops, are made of wire bent to form inwardly extending loops 11 and having their diverging side portions coiled around the bearings 8 as at 9. The extremities 14 of said collar members extend beyond the coils 9 and terminate close to the outer ends of the loops 1 and 2 so as to form continuous supports for the collar and shoulders of a coat.

The inner ends 11 of the collar holding members are connected by chains 12, or other suitable flexible connections, to a ring 13 by means of which the hanger may be supported from a nail or hook, not shown. When a coat is placed on the hanger in the usual way and the same is supported from the ring 13, the weight of the garment will cause the collar holding members 10 to automatically turn on the bearings 8 so as to press into engagement with the inside of said collar where they will hold it in stretched position so that no wrinkles or creases can remain or be formed therein. Inasmuch as the collar holding members are carried by the shoulder members, the former will necessarily be adjusted with the latter so that the collar of every size of coat will be properly held as just described.

In order to support trousers or other garments from the hanger without interfering with the proper holding of a coat, an adjustable rod 15 depends from the ends of the loops 1 and 2 and extends parallel to the hanger proper at a suitable distance below the same. The rod 15 is made of two pieces of wire having their end portions overlapped and provided with sliding loops 16 each engaging the overlapping portion of the other piece, while the outer ends of said rods or wires 15 are bent, as at 17, around offset portions 18 in the ends of the loops 1 and 2. The rod 15 is thus adjustable with the main part of the hanger.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States is:—

1. The combination, in a garment hanger, with shoulder members having corrugated overlapping portions, the corrugations of one member interfitting with those on the other member, of means on each member embracing the overlapping portion of the other member, and means for supporting the hanger.

2. In a garment hanger, the combination with shoulder loops having corrugated overlapping parallel portions, the corrugations of one member interfitting with those on the other member, of eyes on said overlapping portions of each loop embracing the corresponding portions of the other loop, and means for supporting the hanger.

3. In a garment hanger, the combination with shoulder members having corrugated overlapping portions, of means at the end of each overlapping portion embracing the other overlapping portion, collar holding members pivoted to said shoulder members, and flexible means attached to said collar holding member for supporting the hanger.

4. In a garment hanger, the combination with shoulder loops having corrugated overlapping parallel portions, of eyes on said overlapping portions of each loop embracing the corresponding portions of the other loop, said shoulder loops having bent portions forming bearings, collar holding loops pivoted on said bearings, and flexible means attached to said collar holding members for supporting the hanger.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification.

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