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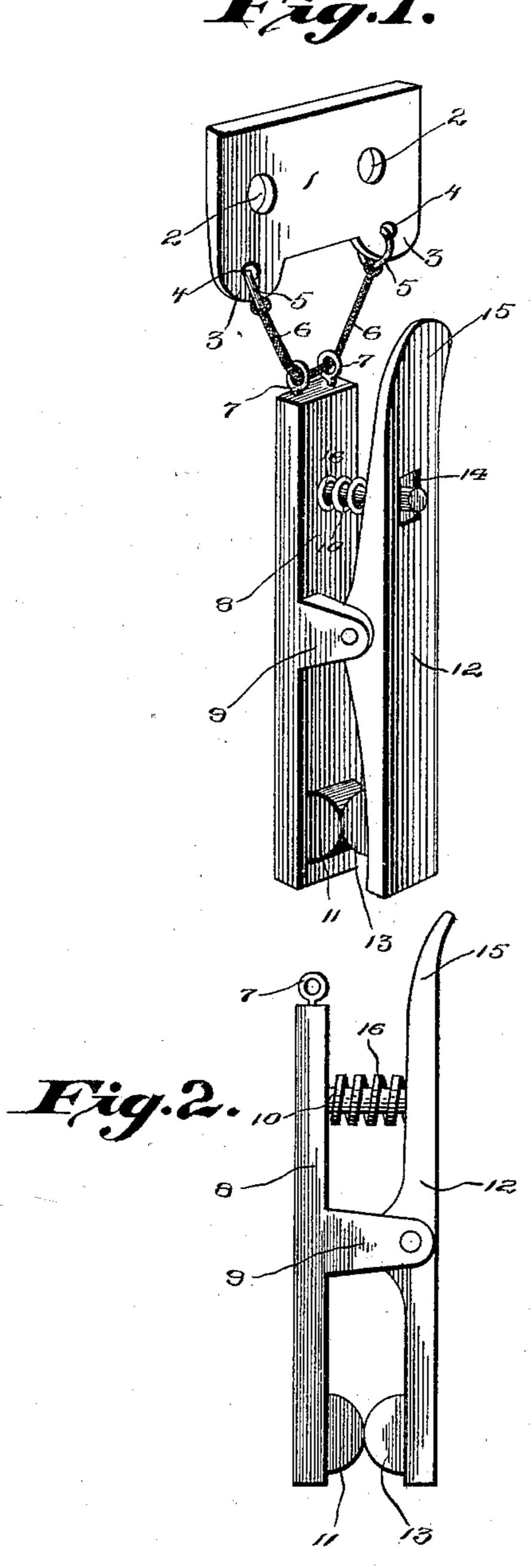
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARION F. SCOTT, of Daleville, in the county of Delaware and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Holders for Wardrobes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in clothes-holders for wardrobes and the like; and it consists, essentially, in a holder embodying certain novel features of construction and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a simple, cheap, and effective holder to take the place of the rigid hooks commonly employed, and which is adapted to permit of the garment suspended thereby being swung outwardly or laterally without liability of tearing or otherwise injuring said garment.

The detailed objects and advantages of the invention will appear in the course of the sub-

joined description.

In the accompanying drawings, illustrating the invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a clothes holder or support embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side view of the jaws

detached from the supporting-plate.

Referring to the drawings, wherein similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts in the views, the nu-35 meral 1 designates a supporting-plate having openings 2 therein for the passage of fastening devices to secure said plate in position. At the lower edge, adjacent to the opposite ends of the said plate, depending ears 3 are 40 located, having openings or apertures 4 therein, which movably receive rings 5, attached to a chain or analogous device 6, which extends through a pair of eyes 7 on the upper end of a jaw 8. The said jaw 8 has fulcrumed 45 ears 9 projecting outwardly therefrom and a guide-pin 10 above the said ears 9. The inner lower portion of the said jaw 8 is also formed with a semicircular or other head 11, projecting inwardly and constructed of 50 any suitable material. A jaw 12 is movably mounted in the fulcrumed ears 9 and is also provided at its lower end with an inwardlyprojecting head 13, similarly formed to the head 11 and adapted to contact therewith 55 when not engaged by articles of clothing.

The upper part of the said jaw 12 is slotted, as at 14, and therethrough movably extends a guide-pin 10, and above the said slot 14 said jaw 12 is also formed with an operating extension or tongue 15. A coiled spring 16 surfounds the guide-pin 10 and at its opposite ends bears against the said jaws to normally impel the jaw 12 outwardly from the jaw 8 and normally hold the head 13 closed against the head 11.

The material of which the several parts of the device is constructed may be varied to suit the application and the strength required, and the dimensions may also be changed at will.

A number of the devices are secured in operative position in a wardrobe or closet or in any other place to which they may be conveniently secured, and in operation the jaw 12 is pressed inwardly toward the jaw 8 to throw 75 the head 13 outwardly from the head 11, when the garment is slipped between the said heads and the jaw 12 afterward released to cause the head 13 to clamp the garment in connection with the device.

This form of device dispenses with the use of supporting-hooks in connection with clothing and obviates tearing by contact with points or ends. By suspending the clasp in the manner described from the cord or chain 6 said 85 clasp is permitted to slide laterally and swing outwardly to permit of the garment supported thereby being freely moved aside when it is desired to inspect or remove other garments in rear of the same.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

A clothes-suspending clasp, consisting, essentially, of a supporting-plate 1 provided with the segment-shaped ears 3 each having 95 an aperture 4, a ring 5 loosely fitted in the aperture of each ear, a chain or cord 6 suspended from said rings, and a pendent clasp provided with eyes engaging the cord, said clasp being adapted to slide laterally on said 100 cord and to swing outwardly therewith, substantially as described.

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

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