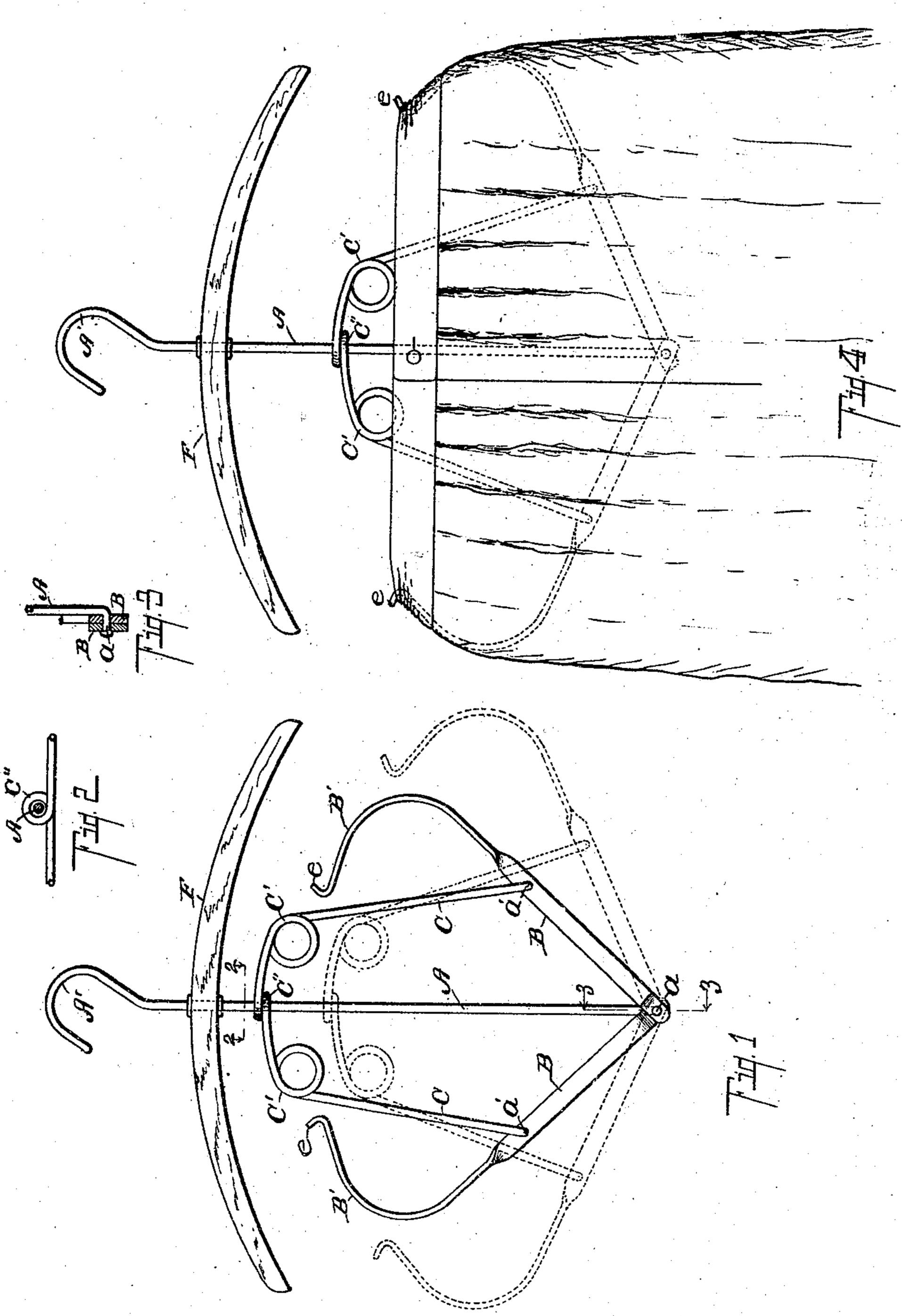
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## GARMENT HANGER.

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## GARMENT-HANGER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS BLACK, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of Toledo, in the county of Lucas and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in garment-hangers. It is particularly adapted to as a suit-hanger for women's garments.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple efficient garment-hanger which adjusts automatically to garments of different sizes and holds them fully distended and that is at the same time simple in its operation and economical to manufacture.

Minor objects will definitely appear from

the detailed description to follow.

I accomplish the objects of my invention by the devices and means described in this specification.

The invention is clearly defined, and point-

ed out in the claims.

A structure embodying the features of my invention is fully illustrated in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation view of a garment-hanger embodying the features of my invention, the adjustments of the same being indicated by dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a detail transverse sectional view taken on a line corresponding to line 2 2 of Fig. 1, showing the guiding of the parts on the center rod. Fig. 35 3 is a detail sectional view taken on a line corresponding to line 3 3 of Fig. 1, showing the preferred pivot-joint at the bottom. Fig. 4 is a side elevation view of the structure with a skirt in position upon the same, the 40 position and adjustment the parts assume in use being indicated by dotted lines.

In the drawings all of the sectional views are taken looking in the direction of the little arrows at the ends of the section-lines, and similar letters of reference refer to simi-

Referring to the lettered parts of the drawings, A is a central support or standard, preferably of wire, and bent into a suspending-hook A' at its upper end. Pivotally secured to the lower end of the support A are arms BB. This is conveniently accomplished by passing the ep la through suitable perfo-

rations in the arms and forming a head thereon to retain the parts together. The outer 55 ends of the arms B are curved upwardly and inwardly at B', with a small outturned hook e at the end to prevent the garment slipping over the same. The arms B B are supported and held normally upward by the spring-sup- 60 ports C C, which are pivotally secured to the arms, as at a' a', and formed into coils at c'c' to form springs and looped around the supporting-rod A at C" to hold the parts in position, which is a very convenient form of 65 manufacture. When a skirt is placed upon the arms B, the weight of the same pulls them downwardly against the tension of the springs C C until the band is drawn taut, thus holding the skirt distended.

It will be noted that the extent of the movement of the arm depends upon the length of the band of the skirt, and therefore automatically adjusts itself to skirts of different sizes. A coat or waist hanger F of the usual form 75 is carried by support A at a point above the skirt-hanger, thus economizing space.

While I have illustrated and described my improved garment-hanger in detail and as being constructed principally of wire in the 80 form I believe to be the most practical, I am aware that it is capable of considerable variation and that other forms or material might be used without departing from my invention.

Having thus described my invention, what 85 I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a garment-hanger, the combination of a supporting-rod A formed into a hook at its upper end; arms B, B, curved upwardly 90 and inwardly at their outer ends, pivotally secured to said support A; springs C pivot-

ally secured to said arms and embracing said support, as specified.

2. In a garment-hanger, the combination of a central support; distending-arms pivotally secured thereto, and extending upwardly; and a spring C secured to said arms and embracing said support, whereby said arms are normally held upwardly, as specified:

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses.

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