

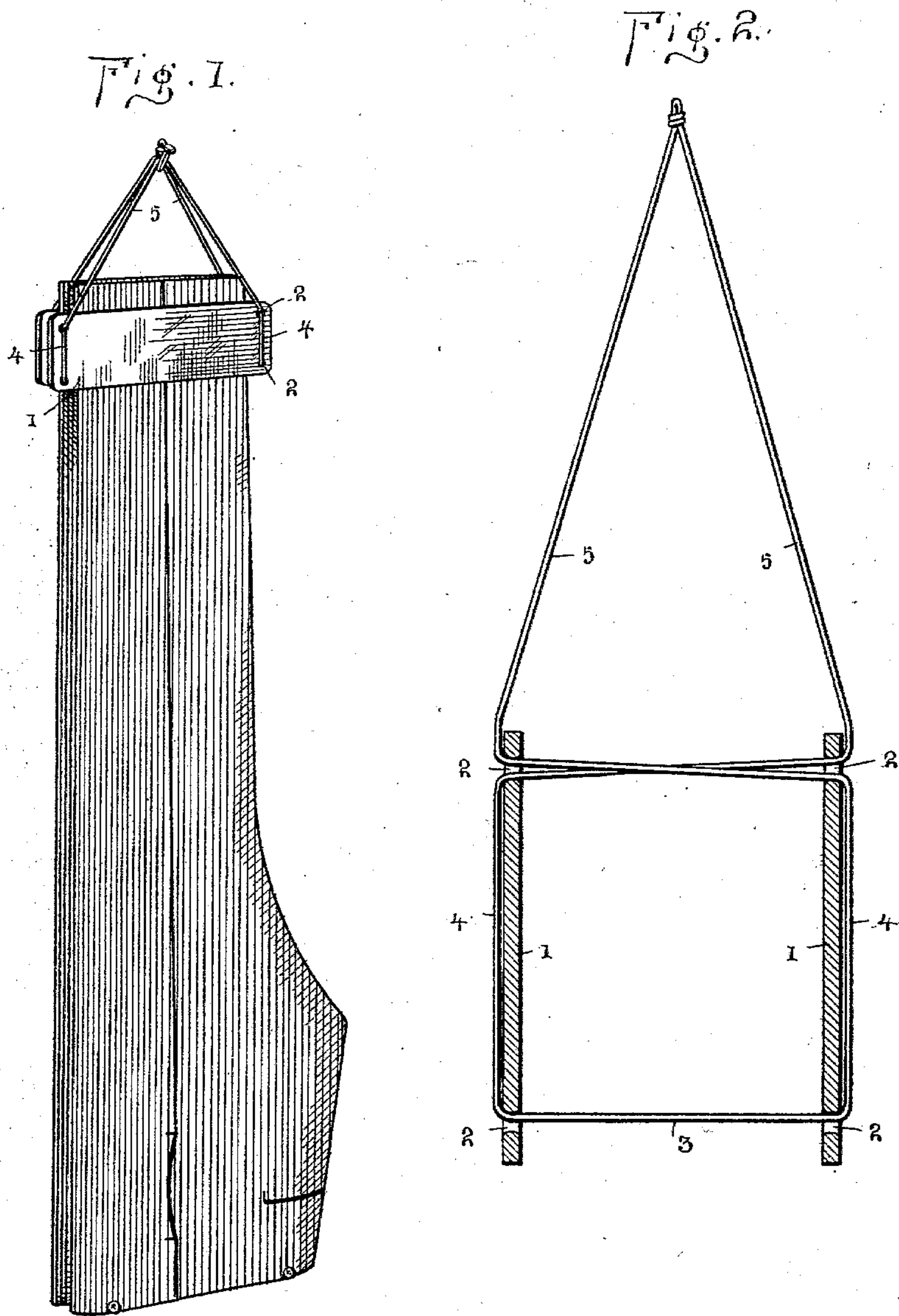
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE WASHINGTON SHELTON, M. D., a citizen of the United States, residing at and whose post-office address is
5 Morrill, in the county of Brown and State of Kansas, have invented new and useful Improvements in Trousers Clamps and Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to trousers clamps
10 and hangers.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple and efficient device through the medium of which all bagging at the knee and ugly wrinkles can be effectually removed and
15 the garment preserved, so as to present a fresh and dressy appearance until it is practically worn out.

The invention consists in the construction and arrangement of the several parts, which
20 will be more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification and to which reference is made, Figure 1 is an elevation showing my trousers
25 clamp and hanger applied to use, and Fig. 2 is a sectional view showing the clamping-plates separated for the introduction or insertion of the trousers-legs between said plates.

1 1 are companion plates of any suitable
30 material, usually of wood about one-quarter inch thick, three inches wide, and twelve inches long. The dimensions may be more or less, according to requirements or fancy. These plates are each provided at both ends
35 with a pair of cord-openings 2 2, located one above the other, the openings of one plate registering with the openings in the other plate. A continuous cord or chain 3, forming two suspending-loops 5, is passed through
40 the lower openings of both boards and then upward transversely of the boards, forming clamping-loops 4 4, and crossed through the upper openings of both boards, as clearly

shown in Fig. 2. It is also obvious that a duplicate device carrying a weight may be
45 attached to the lower end to impart a decided strain to the fabric of the trousers, and thus remove every trace of bagging from garments already misshapen.

In order to apply my device to use, the
50 plates are separated, as shown in Fig. 2. The garment is then carefully smoothed out and placed between the plates or jaws, when draft upon the suspending-loops causes the loops
4 4 to close the jaws or plates, and thereby
55 clamp the fabric of the garment. The trousers are then suspended from a peg or hook by the suspending-loops, the weight of the garment serving to hold the jaws in clamping relation with the goods under tension.
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It is observed that my invention may be used as a hanger for ladies' skirts; furthermore, the projecting ends of the jaws afford means for hanging coats and vests thereon.
65 The greater the weight suspended from the jaws or clamps the firmer the grip upon the fabric of the garment.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—
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A garment-hanger comprising two plates each provided at both ends with a pair of cord-openings located one above the other, the openings of one plate registering with the openings in the other plate, and a single continuous cord forming two suspending-loops
75 extending through the lower openings of both plates and upward transversely of the boards and crossed through the upper openings of both plates.
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In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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