

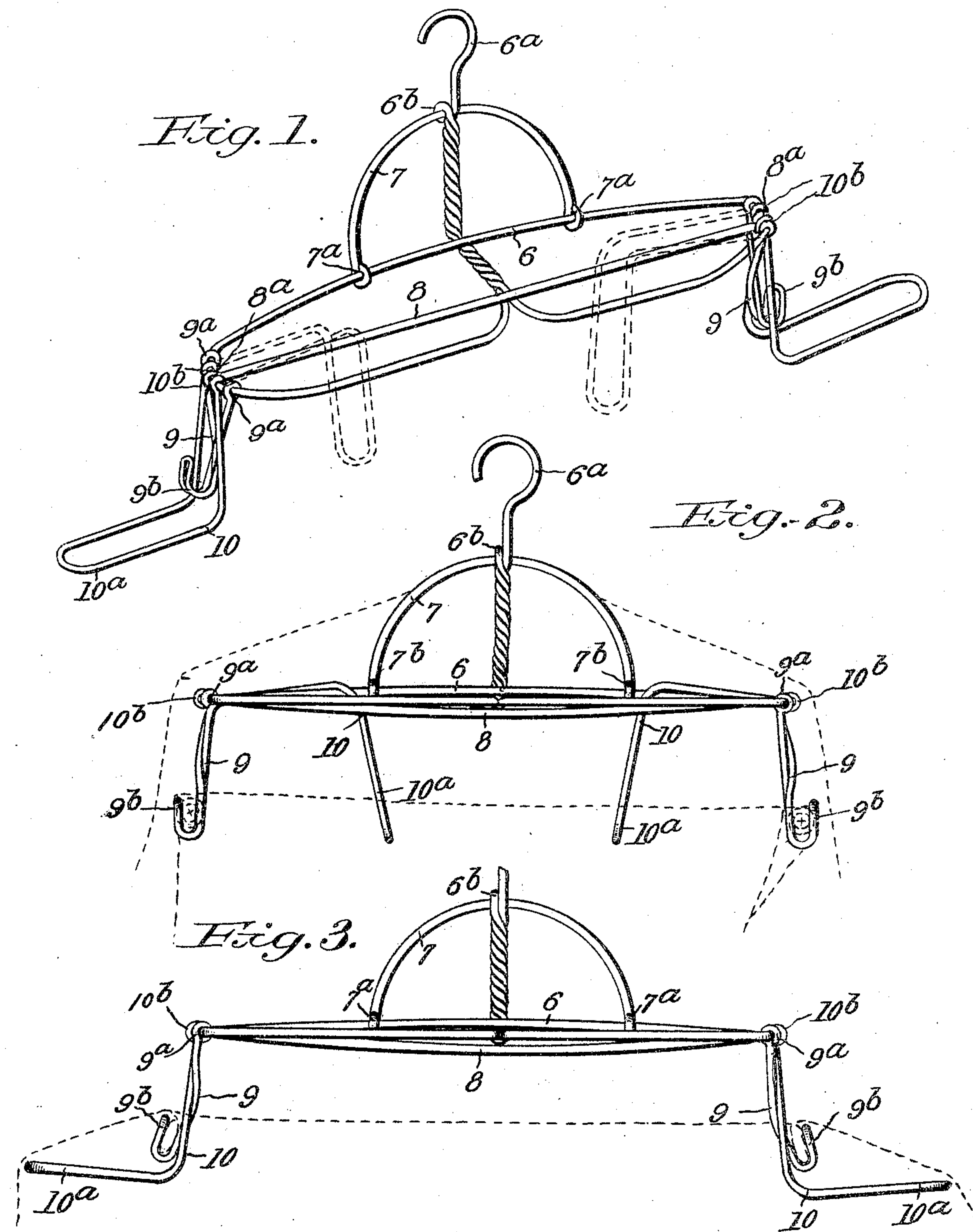
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL N. CRAGIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Hangers; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to garment-hangers; and the object thereof is to construct a hanger which can be used for either women's or men's garments, particularly to support a woman's jacket and skirt or a man's coat and trousers.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device. Fig. 2 is a view showing its use with a man's coat and trousers. Fig. 3 is a view adjusted to support a lady's skirt.

The article is formed of wire bent to perform its various functions, as will more fully appear hereinafter.

Referring particularly to the drawings, 6 indicates a bow of suitable shape to fit under and support the shoulders of a coat or jacket. The ends of the wire forming the bow are twisted together, and one of the ends is extended upwardly and bent at the top to form an attaching-hook 6<sup>a</sup>. The other end is looped, as at 6<sup>b</sup>, around a collar-bow 7, the ends of which are attached to the wire of the shoulder-piece, as at 7<sup>a</sup>.

8 indicates a stay-wire which extends between the shoulders and serves to strengthen the device.

9 indicates hangers which serve to support a skirt or pair of trousers. These are formed of pieces of wire hung from the shoulders by loops 9<sup>a</sup> and formed at the lower ends into hooks 9<sup>b</sup>. When a pair of trousers are supported, the suspender-buttons are caught in the hooks, as shown in Fig. 2. When a skirt is supported, the hooks are caught under the skirt-band, as shown in Fig. 3. The hangers

swing freely from the shoulder-pieces and accommodate themselves to any size of waist-band.

10 indicates hip-pieces, which are also formed of wire looped around the shoulder-pieces and bent to form extensions 10<sup>a</sup>, which when a skirt is supported serve to spread the skirt below the waistband, as indicated in Fig. 3. The loops 10<sup>b</sup> of the hip-pieces are between the loops 9<sup>a</sup> of the hangers, and the hangers are so formed that the hooks thereof will swing between the wires of the hip-pieces and bring the hooks in position to engage the band of the skirt, and in this position the wires of the hangers cross under or within the wires of the hip-pieces, so that the latter are held out and prevented from swinging down or in under the weight of the skirt. When used for men's clothes, the hip-pieces are swung up and over, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 1, so that they hang within the bow out of the way, as clearly shown in Fig. 2. The ends of the stay-wire 8 are looped around the bow at the shoulder-curve thereof, as at 8<sup>a</sup>, between the loops of the hangers and the hip-pieces, and this serves to keep the hangers and hip-pieces in proper position on the bow by preventing them from sliding around to the front or back, as they would otherwise be apt to do.

It will be seen that by the construction shown a hanger suitable for men's or women's garments is formed in a cheap and effective manner.

What I claim as new is—

A garment-hanger comprising shoulder-bows spaced apart adapted to fit the shoulders of a coat or the like, hooks swingingly hung from the bows, and skirt-spreading pieces hung from the bows and supported by the hooks in outwardly-projected position, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I do affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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