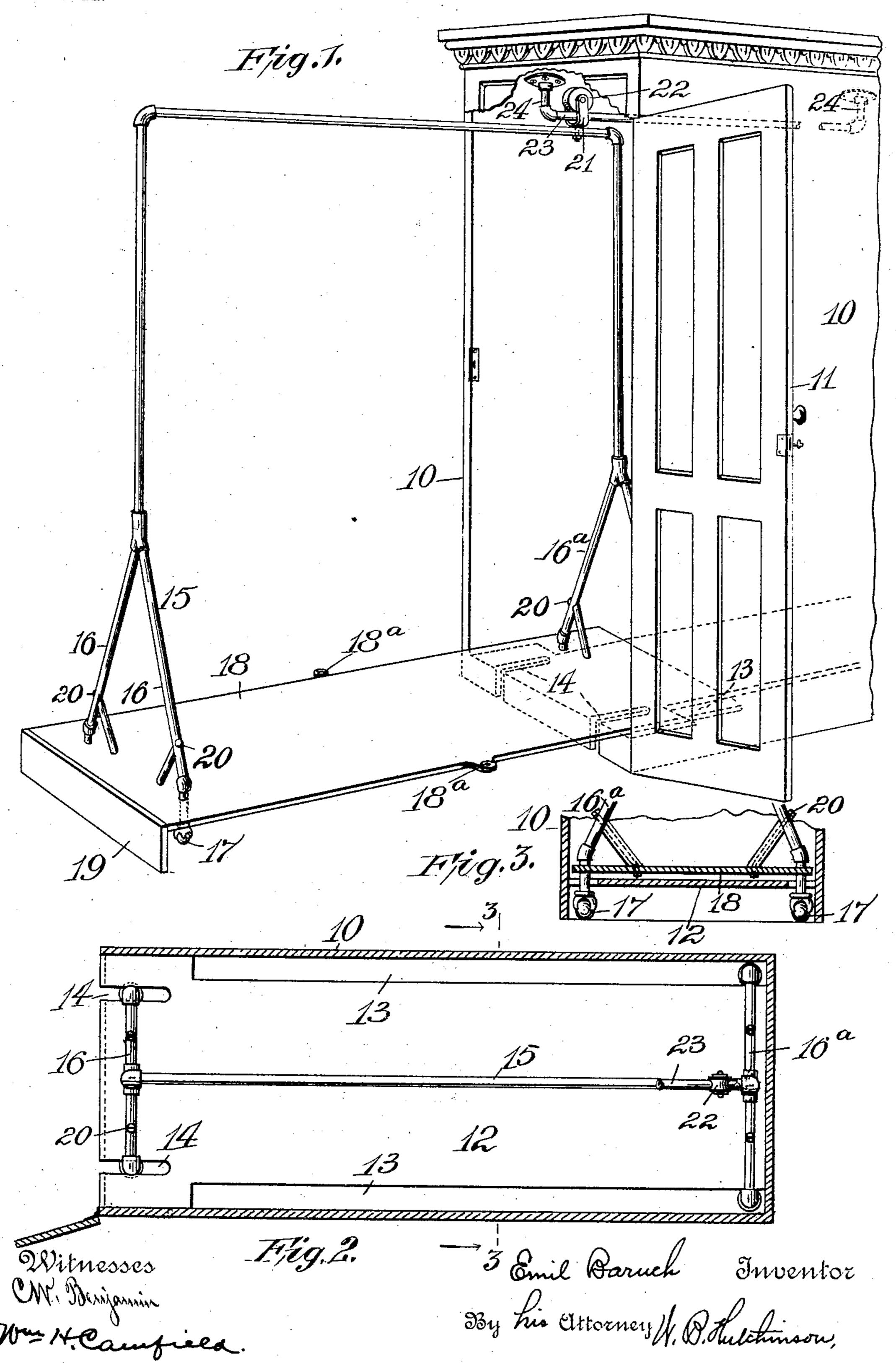
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CLOTHES-RACK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMILE BARUCH, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Clothes-Rack, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to impovements in clothes-racks and in the combination between such racks and their containing-wardrobe.

It has come to be the practice in large stores and in offices where goods are displayed, particularly ready-made or semiready-made clothing, to have a whole series of wardrobes arranged side by side and to have the clothes or other garments to be exhibited suspended in some way so that a quantity of them may be hauled out to view or pushed into the wardrobe, so as to keep them free from dust.

My invention relates particularly to im-20 provements in apparatus of this character; and the object of my invention is to produce a very simple and substantial clothes-rack and to arrange the rack in such a way that it can be very easily pushed into or pulled out 25 from its containing-wardrobe, to provide means for suspending a quantity of clothing or other garments in a way to exhibit them to good advantage, to produce a convenient means for preventing the lower portions of 3° the garments from being soiled or becoming dusty, to provide a simple and covenient means for making the rack as stiff as possible, to provide means for having the closing of the rack act to finish up and make present-35 able the front portion of the wardrobe, and in general to produce a simple device of the character described which will be as nearly perfect as possible for the purpose of exhibiting clothes, garments, or similar matter to 40 advantage.

To these ends my invention consists of certain features of construction and combinations of parts, which will be hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar figures of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the clothes-

rack embodying my invention, the same being shown withdrawn from the wardrobe and the latter being broken, in part, to display the rack connections to advantage. Fig. 2 is a sectional plan showing the rack pushed into the wardrobe and the protective platform resorted, and Fig. 3 is a cross-section on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2.

The wardrobe 10 can be of any usual construction, and, as above stated, a series of these wardrobes is generally used, and the 60 wardrobe has a suitable door 11, which may be made to swing or slide, as preferred. The wardrobe has also, by preference, a floor 12 slightly raised from the main floor, on which the clothes-rack runs, and this floor is slotted 65 longitudinally on the sides, as shown at 13, so that the outer walls of the slots shall engage the rear feet of the rack and limit the outward movement thereof. The floor 12 is also slotted from its front edge rearward, as shown at 14, 70 which enables the front feet of the rack to be pushed inward, so that the rack may be entirely concealed in the wardrobe when it is not used for exhibition purposes.

The clothes-rack proper consists, essentially, 75 of an inverted-U-shaped body 15, which can be formed conveniently of piping, but which may be made of any suitable material, and this construction enables a large quantity of garments or other things to be suspended 80 from the top bar, the middle portion being left open for convenience. The rack-body is provided with suitable feet 16 and 16^a, which are alike except that the latter or rear foot is wider than the front foot, and these feet are 85 preferably of an inverted-V shape, but with their length at right angles to the rack-body, so as to stiffen the same as much as possible. These feet 16 and 16^a are provided with suitable casters 17 or equivalent rollers, and the 90 rear foot has its lower members arranged to slide in the slots 13, which, as above specified, limit the outward movement of the rack. The rack has at the bottom a protective platform 18, which extends the full length of the rack 95 and, in fact, in front of and behind the feet, the platform serving to prevent the articles carried on the rack from coming into injurious

contact with the floor of the wardrobe or of the office or store. The platform has at its front edge a finish-board 19, which is made to correspond with the other finish of the ward-5 robe and which when the wardrobe is pushed in serves to finish up the front part thereof. If desired, the door can be arranged so as to swing above this finish-board. The protective platform is fastened to the front and rear feet, as 10 shown at 20, and it has on its side edges guiderolls 18^a, which engage the side walls of the wardrobe and so serve to stiffen and steady the clothes-rack as the latter is pushed in and out. To further provide for guiding and 15 stiffening the rack, it has at its upper part and rear end a trolley 21, the truck 22 of which rides on a track-rail 23, the latter having its ends upturned, as shown at 24, and fastened to the top wall of the wardrobe, although the track may be supported in any convenient way. It will be seen that this arrangement adds greatly to the stiffness of the rack, and at the same time it assists in its easy running. By having the top trolley and the 25 roller feet the rack can be moved in and out even when heavily loaded with the greatest ease.

I have shown a peculiar form of foot for the rack; but it will be understood that any suitable supporting-feet can be provided without affecting the principle of the invention.

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

35 1. A clothes-rack, comprising an inverted-U-shaped body having roller-feet, and a protective platform carried at the bottom of the body.

2. The combination with a wardrobe, of a 4° clothes-rack slidable in and out thereof, the

said rack being arranged to run on the floor of the wardrobe and having a guide at its top.

3. The combination with a wardrobe, of a clothes-rack movable in and out of the wardrobe, a protective platform for the rack, and 45 a guide for the top of the rack.

4. The combination with a wardrobe, of a rack running on the wardrobe-floor and movable in and out of the wardrobe, a track arranged longitudinally in the upper part of the 50 wardrobe, a trolley secured to the rack and running on the track, and a stop to limit the outward movement of the wardrobe.

5. The combination with a wardrobe, of a clothes-rack movable in and out of the ward- 55 robe, a protective platform for the rack-bottom, and means as the track in the wardrobe and the trolley on the rack for guiding the latter.

6. The combination with a wardrobe, and 60 the clothes-rack slidable in and out thereof, of the protective platform at the bottom of the rack, means as the rollers on the platform for guiding the rack-bottom, and a second guide for the top of the rack.

7. As an improved article of manufacture, a clothes - rack comprising an inverted-U-shaped body, branched feet arranged at right angles to the body, and a protective platform supported on the feet.

8. The combination with the wardrobe having a raised floor with slots longitudinally therein, of the rack movable in and out of the wardrobe, the said rack having feet sliding in the slots.

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