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Fig. 1.

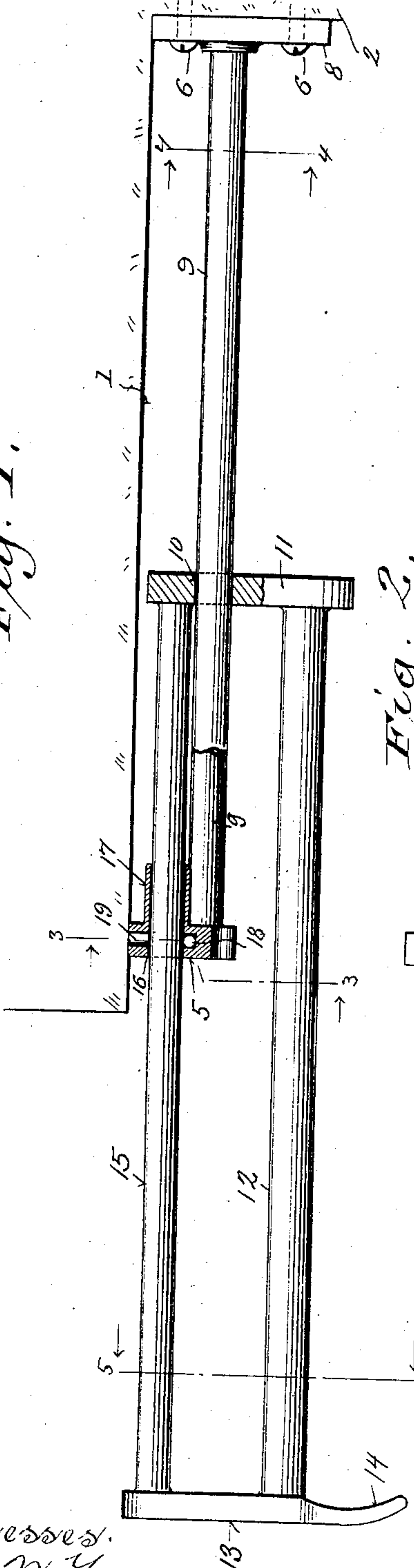


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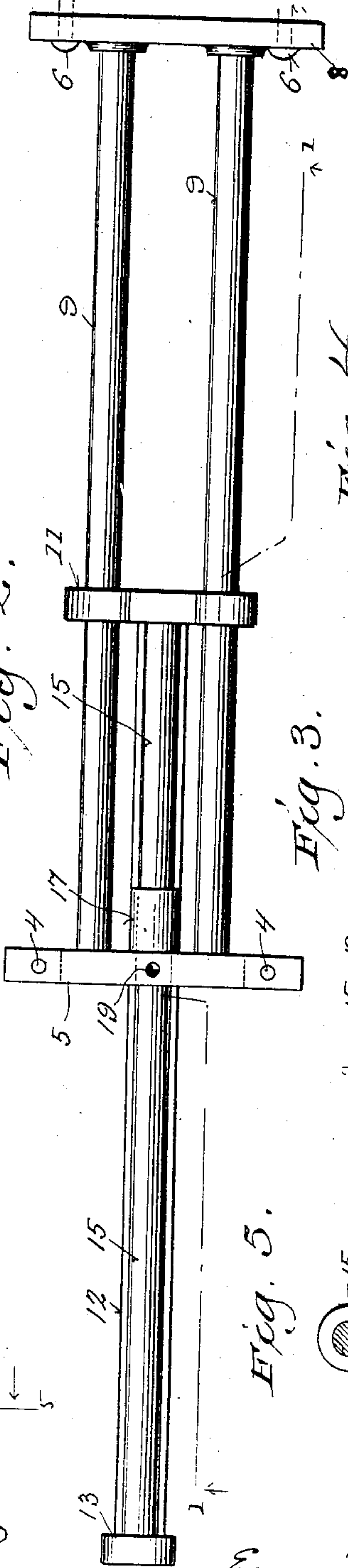


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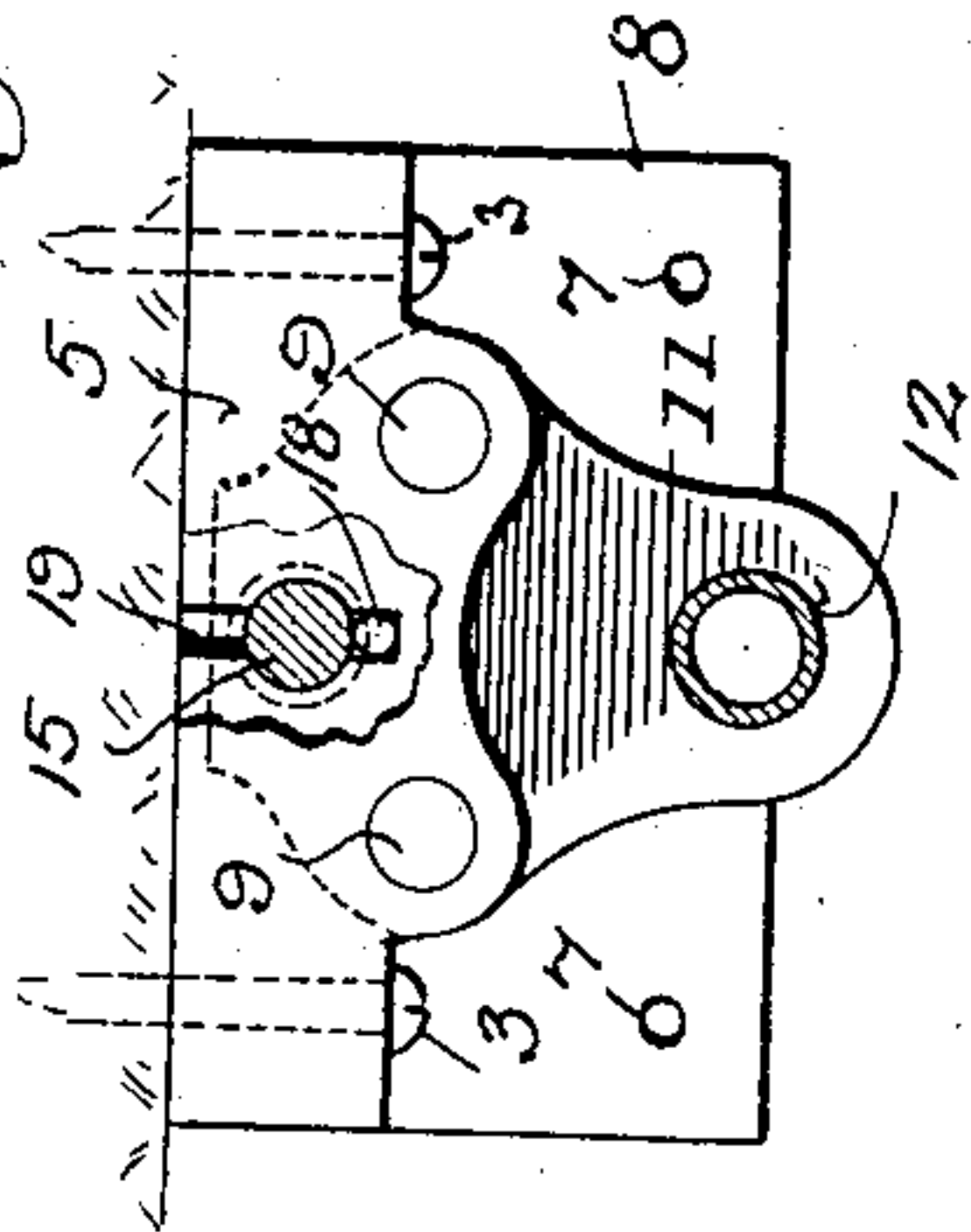
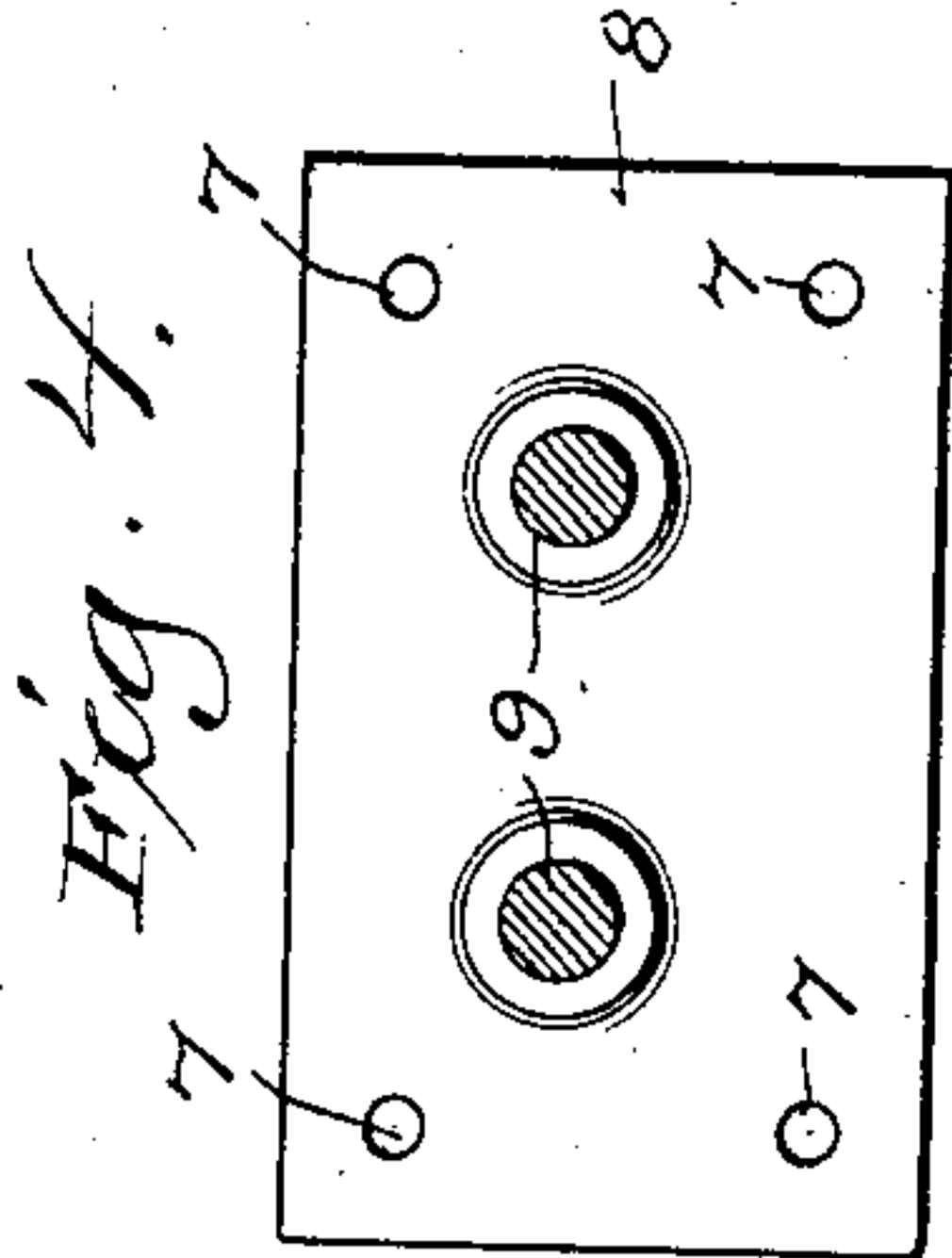
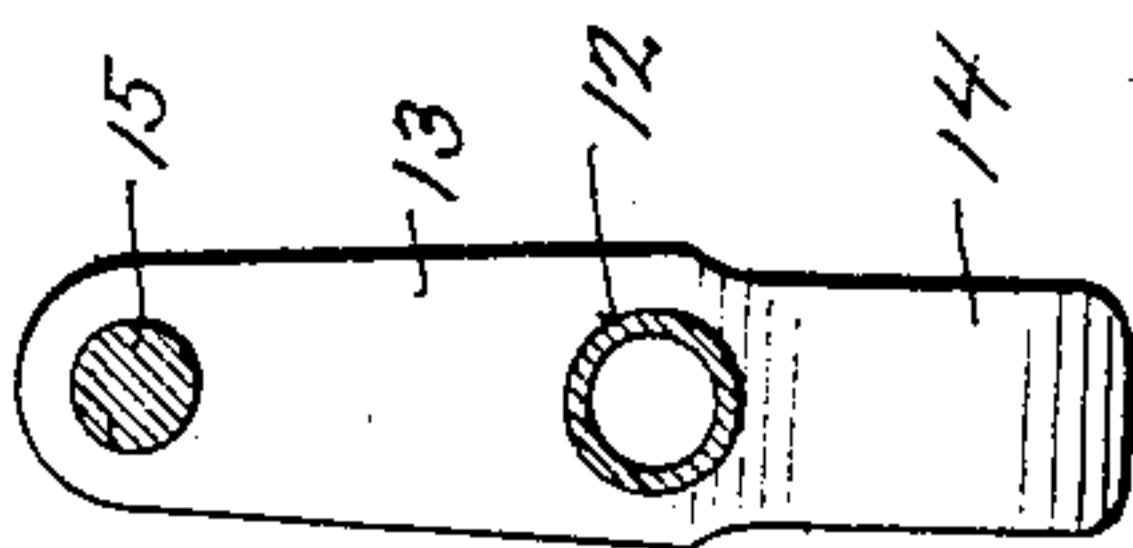


Fig. 5.



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GARMENT-SUPPORTER FOR TRUNKS, &c.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EUGENE W. HAWLEY, a resident of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee, and GEORGE H. WHEARY, a resident of Racine, in the county of Racine, State of Wisconsin, citizens of the United States, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Supporters for Trunks, &c.; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

Our invention relates to devices for supporting garments, and is especially designed for use in wardrobe-trunks, though not exclusively confined thereto; and it consists in certain peculiarities of construction and combination of parts, as will be fully set forth hereinafter in connection with the accompanying drawings and subsequently claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of our said device shown attached to the top and rear wall of a trunk, wardrobe, or other receptacle and partially extended, said view being partly in section on the planes indicated by the line 1 1 in Fig. 2 to better illustrate certain details of construction. Fig. 2 is a plan view of our said device. Figs. 3, 4, and 5 are vertical sectional views taken, respectively, on the planes indicated by the lines 3 3, 4 4, and 5 5 in Fig. 1.

Referring by numerals to the said drawings, 1 designates the top, and 2 the rear wall, of the trunk or other receptacle to which our device is attached, as by screws 3 3 or rivets passing through vertical holes 4 4 in the forward transverse attaching-plate and guide 5, and by screws 6 6 or rivets passing through horizontal holes 7 7 in the rear attaching-plate 8. Secured to and projecting horizontally and forwardly from said rear plate 8 are two rods 9 9, whose forward ends are rigidly secured to the said attaching-plate 5, the said rods 9 passing through holes 10 in the movable guide-plate 11, while from the lower part of said plate 11 there extends a forwardly-projecting rod 12, whose rear end is fast to said plate 11 and whose front end is fast to the front plate 13, the latter having preferably a finger-pull 14 depending from the lower end.

From the upper part of the said plate 11 there extends another forwardly-projecting rod 15, preferably of less diameter than rod 12, but like the latter fast at its rear end to said plate 11 and at its front end to the plate 13. This rod 15 is shown as extending at a slightly higher plane than the rods 9 9, though this is not material, and on a vertical line midway between them and passes through a hole 16 in the plate 5 and preferably through an extended tubular bearing 17, whose free end serves as a stop to prevent close contact between plates 5 and 11 when the front plate 13 is pulled out, so as to carry the garments supported on rod 12 from within the receptacle, where they were below the guide-rods 9 9. To obviate friction, the rod 15 travels on a ball-bearing, the ball 18 being located at the bottom of a vertical bore 19 in the plate 5, so that the rod 15 may just bear on said ball.

The operation of our device will be apparent from the foregoing description of its construction, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, and it will be found a strong, serviceable, and satisfactory device for the suspension of garments within a wardrobe, trunk, or other receptacle, a draw upon the finger-pull 14 instantly bringing the rod 12 and the articles thereon suspended out for convenient handling and a reverse movement quickly returning said rod and articles back to place within the receptacle.

Our garment-supporters are capable of use independently of trunks, wardrobes, closets, or other closed receptacles, as they can be attached to the walls of clothing-stores, for example, in which case the room in which they were secured would constitute the receptacle.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A garment-supporter for receptacles comprising rear and top attaching-plates for direct attachment to the top and rear walls of said receptacles, guide-rods rigidly connecting said attaching-plates; a plate movable on said guide-rods; a front plate; an upper guide-rod

rigidly uniting the front and movable plates, and passing through the top attaching-plate, and a lower garment-supporting rod also rigidly uniting the said front and movable plates.

- 5 2. In a garment-supporter for receptacles, the combination with rear and top supporting-plates and guide-rods rigidly uniting them, of a movable plate and front plate, and upper and lower rods rigidly uniting them, the said
10 movable plate having reciprocative movement on the said guide-rods, and the said upper rod passing through the top attaching - plate

against an antifriction-ball supported within the latter, while the said lower rod affords a support for the suspension of the garments. 15

In testimony that we claim the foregoing we have hereunto set our hands, at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, in the presence of two witnesses.

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