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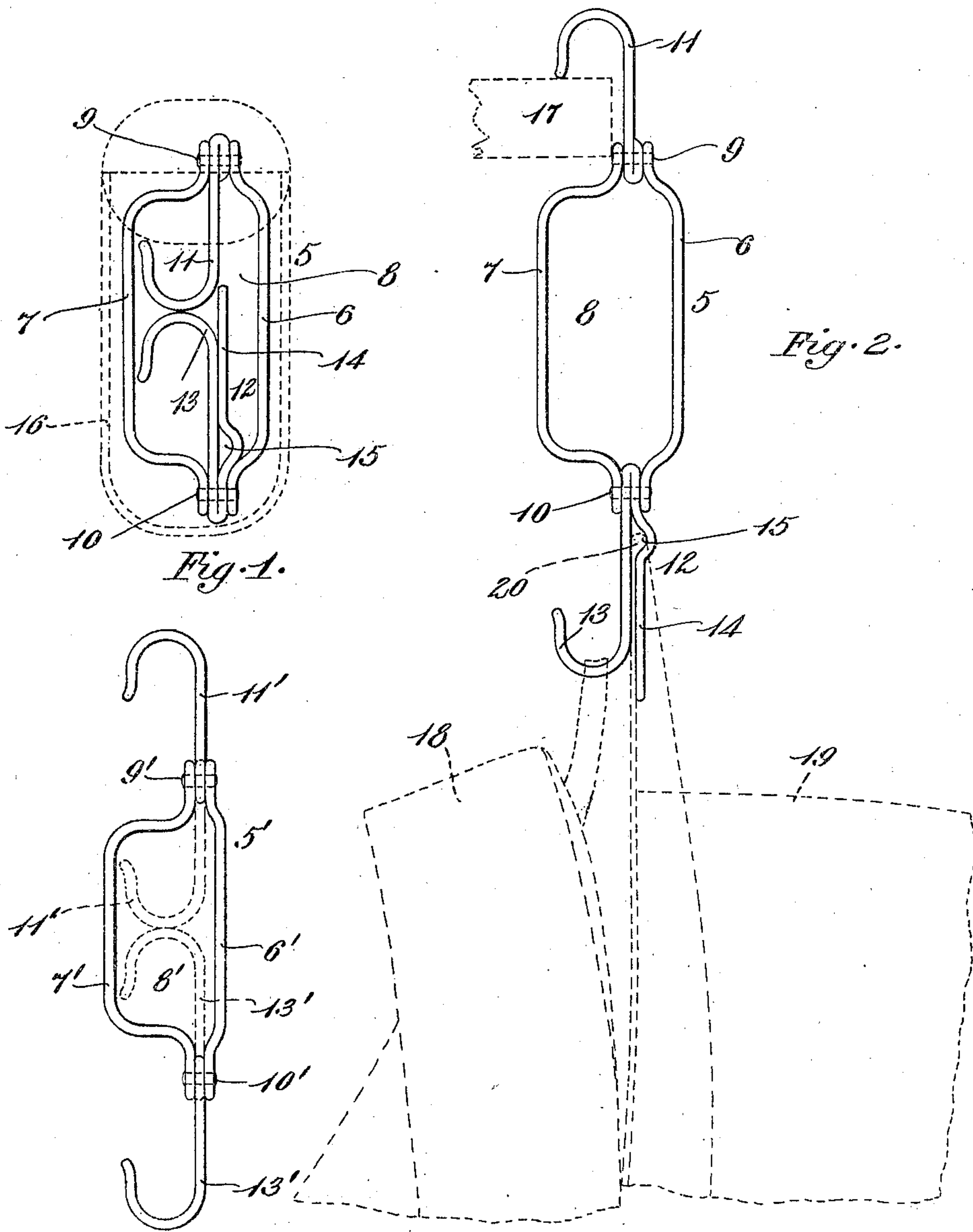


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. CLARK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Folding Pocket Coat and Hat Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a cheap, simple, convenient, and compact device which may be carried in a pocket when not in use for sustaining coats and hats. The device is especially adapted for the use of men traveling, such as commercial salesmen and the like, who may desire to hang up a hat and coat when hooks are not available for that purpose. In such case the device hereinafter described may be hung upon the edge of a shelf, partition, rod, or any projection and a coat hung upon and securely held by said device.

The invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts set forth in the following specification, and particularly pointed out in the claims thereof.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved coat and hat hanger, showing the hooks folded inwardly in position to be placed in the pocket, the dotted lines surrounding said device indicating a form of a leather case which may be used in connection therewith. Fig. 2 is a front elevation showing the hooks turned outwardly from the handle in position to be used, a portion of a coat and hat being indicated in dotted lines hung thereon, the upper hook being illustrated as suspended upon the edge of a shelf. Fig. 3 shows a modified form of my invention in which a coat-hanger only is employed.

Like numerals refer to like parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

In the drawings, Figs. 1 and 2, 5 is a handle formed of two pieces of wire 6 7, curved longitudinally thereof in opposite directions to form a space 8 therebetween. The opposite ends of the wires 6 and 7 are joined together by pivotal pins 9 and 10. A hook 11 is rotatably supported upon the pin 9 between the upper ends of the wires 6 and 7, and upon the lower pivotal pin 10 a wire 12 is rotatably supported, said wire being bent between its ends to form a spring-clamp, one of the free ends 13 of said clamp bent to form

a hook adapted to support a coat, the other of said free ends 14 bent to form a recess 15, adapted to receive the rim 20 of a hat.

In carrying my improved coat and hat hanger the hook 11 and clamp-hook 12 are folded into the space 8, as illustrated in Fig. 1, when the device is not in use and it is desired to place the same in a pocket, said device being inserted in a suitable case 16. (Indicated in dotted lines, Fig. 1.) When the device is in use as a hanger, the hook 11 and clamp-hook 12 are folded outwardly from the opposite ends, respectively, of the handle 5, as illustrated in Fig. 2. The hook 11 is used to support the device from a shelf 17, or said hook may be placed upon a rod or other convenient means of support. A coat 18 is hung upon the hook 13, and the rim of a hat 19 is inserted between the free ends of the hook 12 and pushed into the recess 15, formed between the back edges of the hook 13 and the free end 14 of the wire 12. The wire 12 being preferably a spring-wire, it will be seen that the rim 20 of the hat will be held in the recess 15 and prevent the hat from dropping upon the floor.

In Fig. 3 a modified form of my device is illustrated, in which 5' is a handle formed of two wires 6' and 7', with a space 8' therebetween, a hook 11' being supported at the upper end of said handle upon a pivotal pin 9' and a coat-hook 13' being supported at the lower end of the handle upon a pivotal pin 10'. When the device is in use, the hooks 11' and 13' are illustrated in full lines, Fig. 3, and when the device is folded in position to be placed in a pocket said hooks are turned to the position illustrated in dotted lines in Fig. 3.

It will readily be seen and understood that the device hereinbefore described is very cheap and durable in its construction, can be folded into a small space when it is desired to place the same in a pocket, and can be quickly changed to render the same practicable for sustaining a coat or hat, or both, and hung upon any stationary projection, rod, or shelf.

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

1. A folding pocket coat-hanger comprising in its construction a handle formed of two pieces of wire curved longitudinally thereof in opposite directions to form a space therebetween, two pivotal pins joining the opposite

ends of said wires together, and a hook rotatably supported upon each of said pivots, respectively.

2. A folding pocket coat and hat hanger comprising in its construction a handle formed of two pieces of wire curved longitudinally thereof in opposite directions to form a space therebetween, two pivotal pins joining the opposite ends of said wires together, a hook rotatably supported upon each of said pivots, respectively, and a hat-hanger rotatably supported upon one of said pivots, said hat-hanger consisting of a piece of wire extending longitudinally of and adjacent to the rear side of said hook and bent to form a recess adapted to receive the rim of a hat.

3. A folding pocket coat and hat hanger comprising in its construction a handle having two side pieces curved longitudinally thereof in opposite directions to form a space therebetween a hook and a hat-hanger rotatably supported at one end of said handle, said hat-

hanger extending longitudinally of and adjacent to the rear side of said hook and bent to form a recess adapted to receive the rim of a hat.

4. A folding pocket coat and hat hanger comprising in its construction a handle formed of two pieces of wire curved longitudinally thereof in opposite directions to form a space therebetween, two pivotal pins joining the opposite ends of said wires together, a hook rotatably supported upon one of said pins, a wire bent between its ends to form a clamp, one of the free ends of said clamp bent to form a hook, the other to form a recess between said free ends adapted to receive the rim of a hat.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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