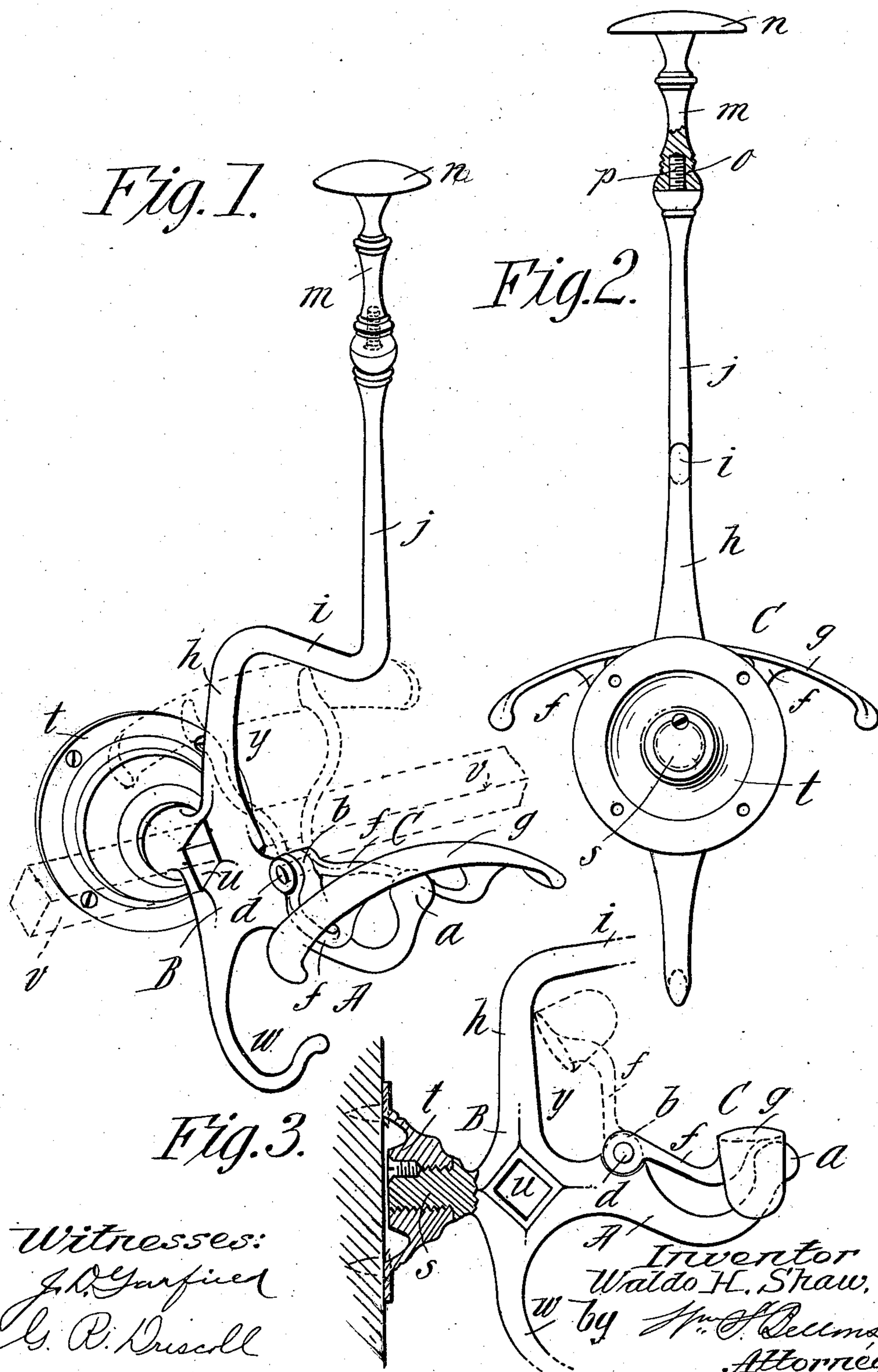


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALDO H. SHAW, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Springfield, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Apparel Hangers and Supports, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

10 This invention relates to improvements in a fixture which constitutes a combined hook or hooks for the suspension from the loop or collar-band or otherwise of garments or other articles of apparel, a bow-shaped hanger 15 for sustaining a coat or cloak in a manner to preserve the form thereof, and preferably also a post for supporting a hat without liability of the latter becoming accidentally displaced.

20 The present improvements in a fixture of the class indicated are illustrated in the accompanying drawings, are hereinafter particularly described, and are set forth in the appended claims.

25 In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the fixture. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the same; and Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the main portion of the device, parts thereof being shown in vertical section.

30 Similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all of the views.

The apparel support and hanger comprises a hook A, forwardly extended from its body or shank B, which is to be supported at any 35 desired location by the means hereinafter particularly mentioned or by any adequate means. The hook A is formed to the rear of the hook end *a* with an upstanding ear *b*, and a frame C is pivotally connected, as indicated at *d*, to the said ear *b*. The said 40 frame, as shown, comprises the forwardly-divergent arms *f f* and a transverse bow-shaped member *g*, which may most advantageously be integrally formed with the said 45 arms, the same having dimension and curvature as most suitable for a coat-hanger. The rear approached extremities of the said arms *f f* closely embrace the aforesaid upstanding ear and, together with said ear, are 50 penetrated by the rivet or pivot-screw *d*.

The back or shank B of the fixture comprises or is formed with a portion *h*, located to the rear and extending above the hook A and is continued in a member *i*, forwardly 55 extended over and at a suitable distance above the hook and terminates in an up-

standing post *j*. The post is shown as made with an upwardly-extended post continuation *m*, having a head *n*, said post and post continuation having the one a screw-stud *o* 60 and the other a threaded socket *p*, these parts being screw engaged the one into the other.

The back or shank B of the fixture has an integrally-formed rearwardly-extended 65 threaded stud *s*, and for some or all of the hooks attachment back plates *t* are provided, each having a forwardly-opening threaded socket for the screw engagement therein of the said threaded stud *s*. 70

The body or shank portion of each hook is usually made with a prismatic aperture *u* transversely therethrough, so that the hooks may be non-rotatably engaged with and supported by a prismatic bar, (indicated by 75 the dotted lines,) to which the letter *v* is applied, or a pair of the hooks supported by the attachment back plates *t* may constitute the means of support for the bar *v*, on which a plurality of the hooks, for which no back 80 plates need be provided, may be supported.

w indicates a smaller hook additional to and under the aforementioned hook A, the provision of which increases the useful capabilities of the fixture. 85

The frame comprising the bow-shaped garment-hanger may be swung down to the position represented by full lines in the drawings and to receive stable support on the extremity *a* of the hook A whenever it is desired to 90 use it as a form for supporting and preserving the shape of a coat, it always being possible to also hang articles directly on the hook A, and it is furthermore to be appreciated that at times when the bow-shaped hanger *g* 95 is not to be used it may, by swinging the frame as a whole rearwardly to the position indicated by the dotted lines in Figs. 1 and 2, have an unobtrusive disposition in the space *y* well to the rear of the hook A and between 100 the latter and the portion or extension *i*.

The post, as manifest, having its position above the hook and suitably forward from the back of the fixture, constitutes an approved hat-holder suitable for both high and 105 low crown hats.

I claim—

1. A device for the purpose described, consisting of a supporting-back and a hook forwardly extending therefrom, provided with 110 an upwardly-extending ear between said back and the extremity of the hook, and an

arm pivotally connected to said ear and having a curved coat-hanger adapted to be positioned and supported on, and transversely of, said hook, and to be swung rearwardly therefrom.

2. A device for the purpose described, consisting of a supporting-back and a hook forwardly extending therefrom, provided with an upwardly-extending ear between said back and the extremity of the hook, and a frame comprising a pair of separated, forwardly-divergent arms, and a curved coat-hanger member integral with said arms, said frame being pivotally connected to said ear, and adapted to be swung to a position of support on the extremity of the hook, or to a position backwardly away from the hook.

3. A device for the purpose described, consisting of a supporting-back, a hook forwardly extending therefrom, said back comprising a portion upwardly extended above and to the rear of the hook continued in a member forwardly extended over the hook and terminating in an upstanding post, and an arm pivotally connected to said hook at the rear of its extremity and having a curved coat-hanger adapted to be supported on, and transversely of and relatively to, said hook and to be moved to a position in the space between the hook and said member forwardly extended thereover.

4. A hook and hanger consisting of a rearwardly-located shank or body portion having a prismatic aperture therethrough, a horizontal rearwardly-extended threaded stud, and a forwardly-extending hook, and a frame comprising forwardly-divergent arms and a transverse bow-shaped member, said arms being pivotally connected to the hook at the rear of its extremity.

5. A hook and hanger consisting of a rearwardly-located shank or body portion having a prismatic aperture transversely there-through, a horizontal rearwardly-extended threaded stud, and a forwardly-extending hook, a frame comprising forwardly-divergent arms and a transverse bow-shaped member, said arms being pivotally connected to the hook at the rear of its extremity, and an attachment back plate having a forwardly-opening threaded socket for the screw engagement therein of said threaded stud.

6. A hook and hanger consisting of a rearwardly-located shank or body portion having a prismatic aperture transversely there-through, a horizontal rearwardly-extended threaded stud, a forwardly-extending hook, formed with an upstanding ear to the rear of the hook end and having a portion forwardly extended above said hook, upwardly continued in a post having an upwardly-extended headed post continuation, said post and post continuation having the one a screw-stud the other a threaded socket, the one part being screw engaged into the other, and a frame comprising forwardly-divergent arms and a transverse bow-shaped member, said arms being pivotally connected to the said ear, and an attachment back plate having a forwardly-opening threaded socket for the screw engagement therein of said threaded stud.

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