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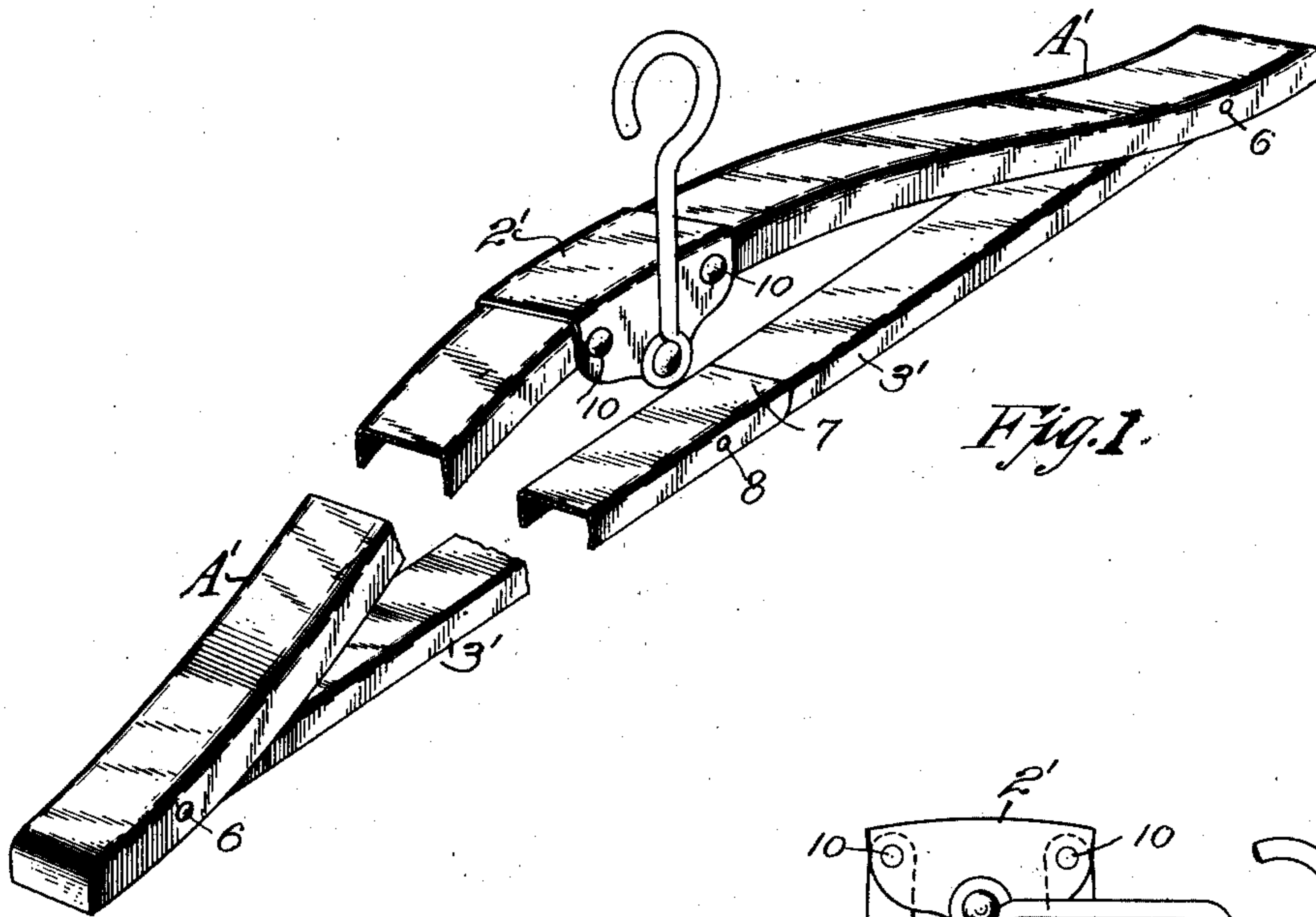


Fig. 1.

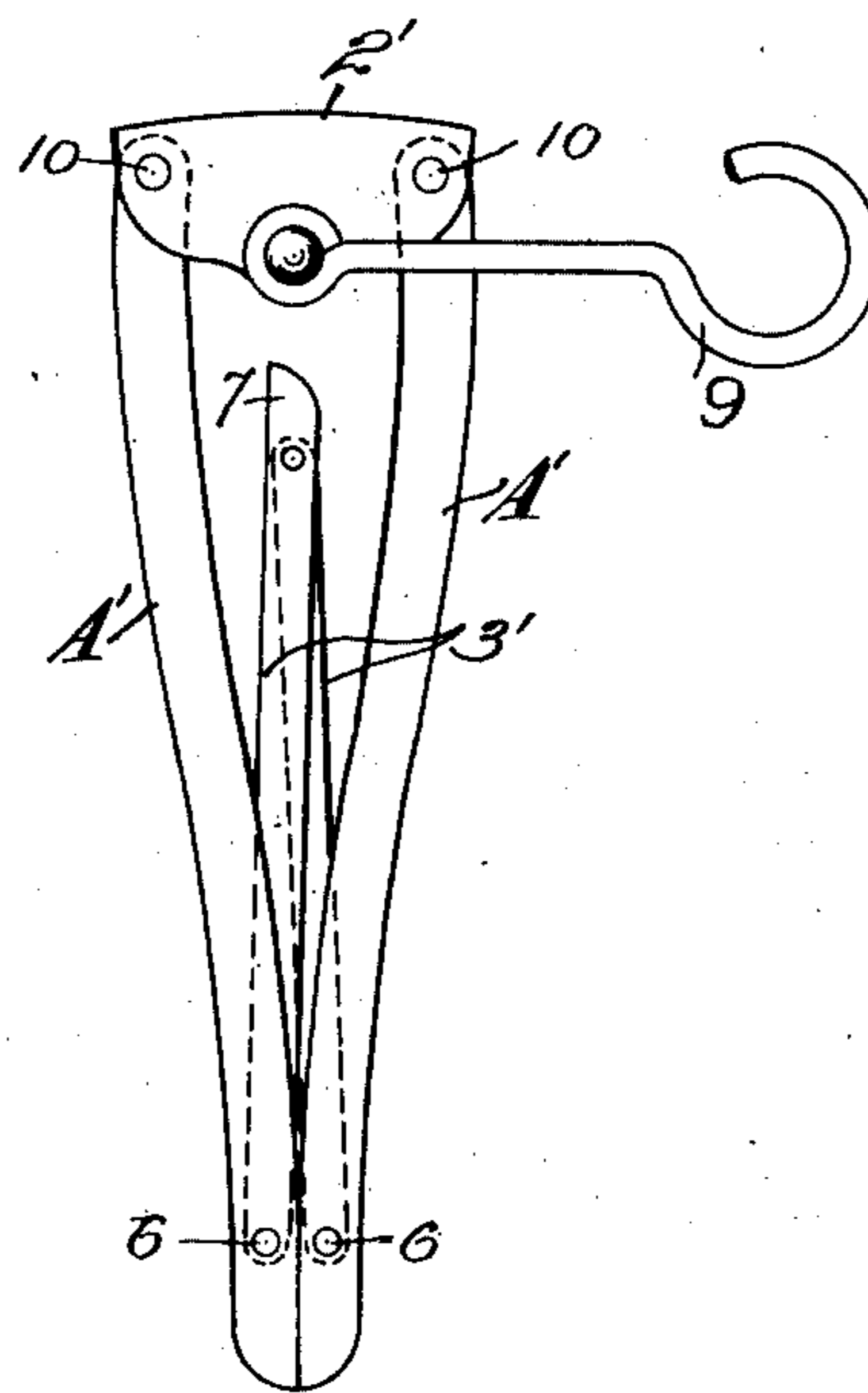


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERICK O. FELLROTH, a citizen of Sweden, residing in the city and county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Garment - Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to garment holding devices, and especially to devices designed to hold coats, vests, skirts, trousers and the like.

10 The object of the present invention is to provide a simple, practical, collapsible holder, which will occupy very little room when not in use; which can be opened out to support a coat, and which will also have a cross-bar over which a pair of trousers may be hung; 15 said cross-bar serving to maintain the arms of the holder in distended position.

The invention consists of the parts and the construction and combination of parts as hereinafter more fully described and claimed, having reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

20 Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved holder open for use. Fig. 2 is a side elevation showing the holder in its folded position.

A'—A' represent two rigid arms of suitable size, 25 shape and material pivoted to a central support 2' in such manner as to be extended for use or folded downward into parallel collapsed position suitable for packing in a small space. The support 2' is preferably of sheet metal bent into a substantially inverted-U-shaped housing for the adjacent ends of the arms, with the top of the plate nicely fashioned so that its curves run into the curves of the arms when the latter are opened out and offer no angles or sharp edges for the clothes to catch on.

30 The arms are kept in distended position when in use by means of two foldable braces 3', hinged to each other, and each having its outer end pivotally connected to a respective arm. The braces are preferably of sheet metal and made channel form for rigidity, 40 and their outer ends are pivotally connected with the

arms as shown at 6. The braces are pivoted together one inside the other, so that one will have a part 7 overlapping the other enough to form a stop against the braces dropping too far when straightened. The arms fold down and the braces fold up inside the arms 45 when the holder is not in use. When the holder is opened for use, the braces drop until the pivot 8 is a trifle below a line connecting the pivots 6, whereupon a rigid triangular structure results which is not likely to be collapsed accidentally. The holder is hung up 50 from its center support 2' by means entirely disconnected with the braces, so that the full length of the braces may be utilized to hang a pair of trousers or other things on. This is quite an important feature in garment holders, and especially foldable holders. 55 The means for hanging up the holder is here shown as comprising a hook-member 9 pivoted to one side of the support 2' below the pivots 10 of the arms A'.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is— 60

A garment hanger comprising a pair of channel-iron arms pivotally connected at their inner ends to a central support and adapted to swing downward into closed position, said support consisting of a plate bent to embrace the adjacent ends of the arms, said arms having their channels 65 undermost, and channel-form brace-sections pivoted together at one end to swing upward inside the arm when the latter are folded downward, said brace-sections having their outer ends pivoted between the flanges of the respective arms and foldable inside the channels of the 70 arms, said sections having their central pivot-connection below the line connecting their pivot-points at their outer ends when the device is opened for use, one of said sections slightly overlapping the other at the inner ends of the sections so that the overlapping portion of the one 75 will engage the top of the other section when the two are extended and hold the device in operative position, substantially as described.

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

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