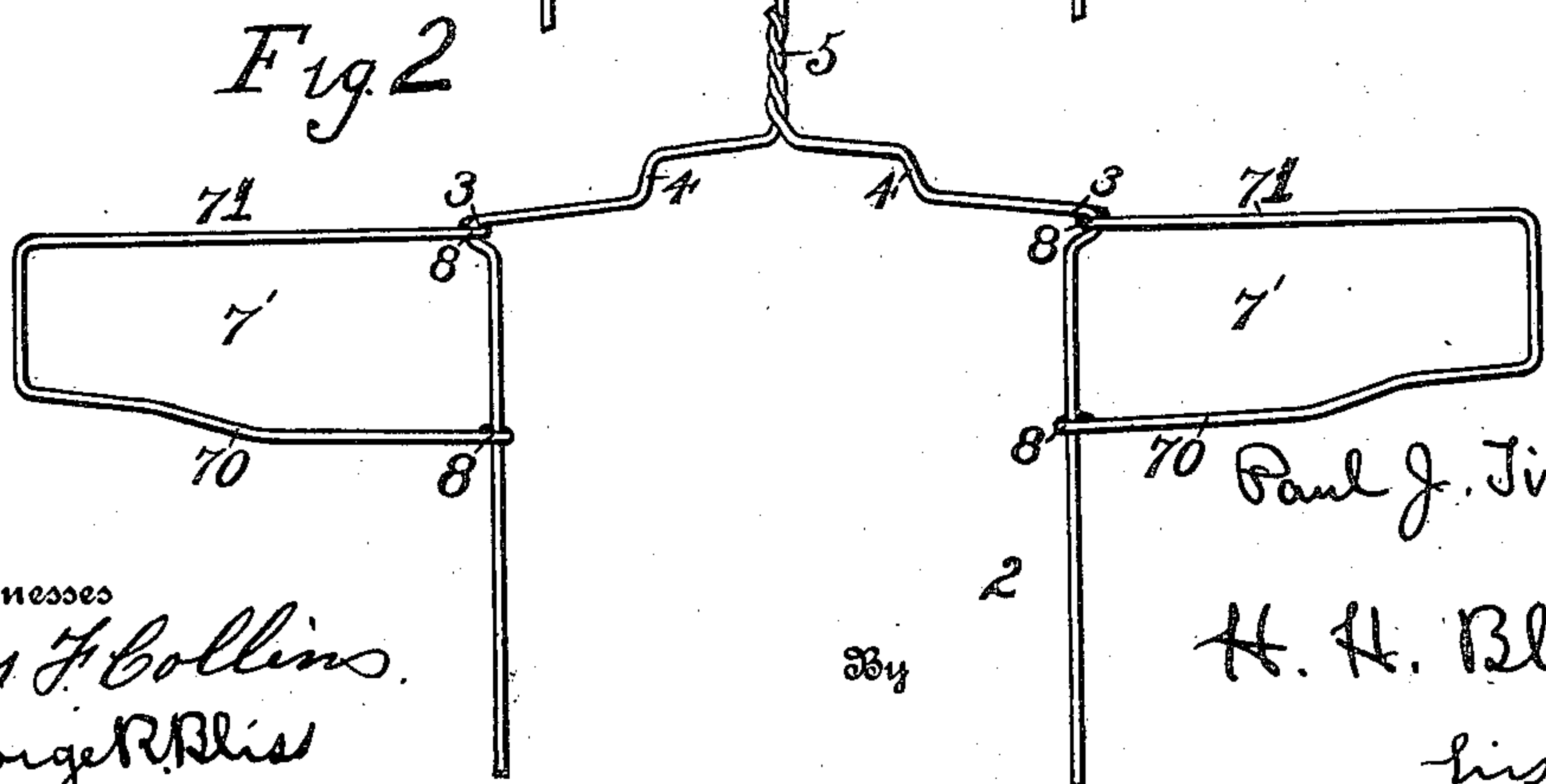
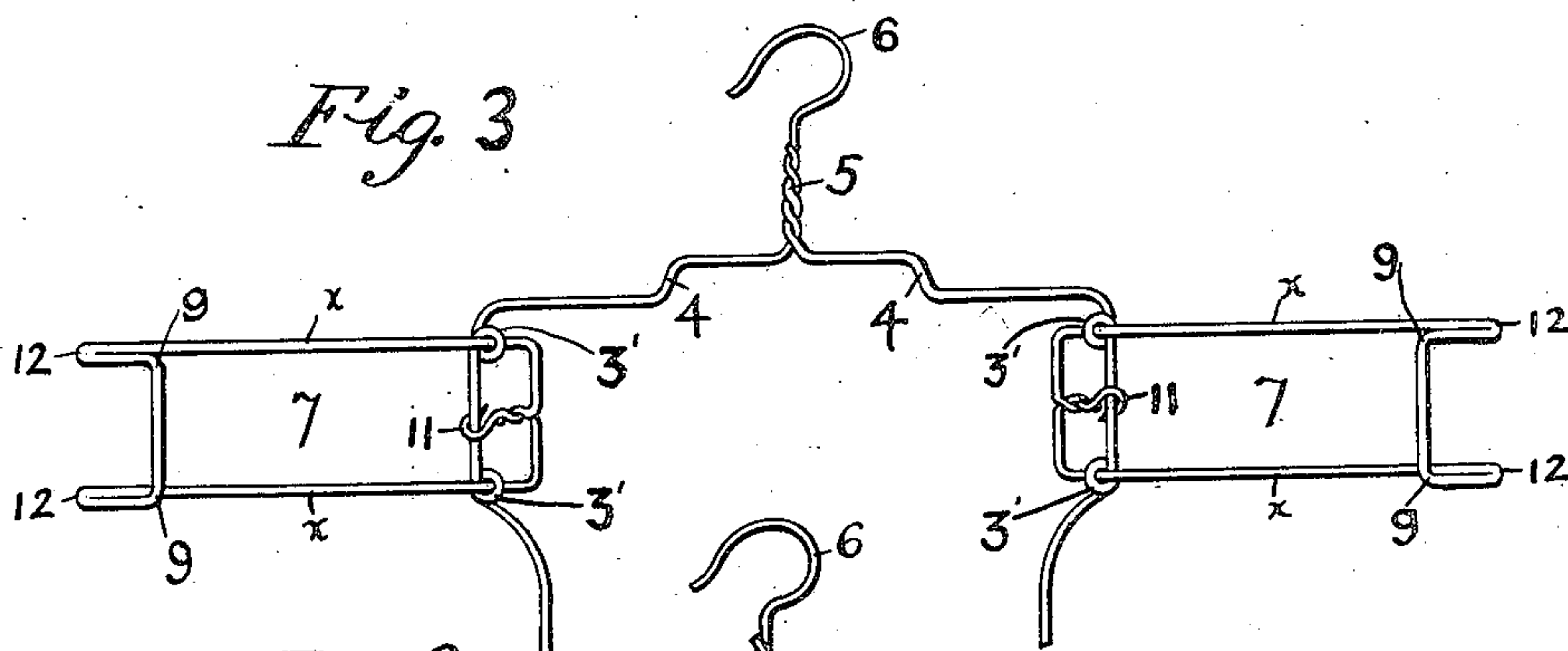
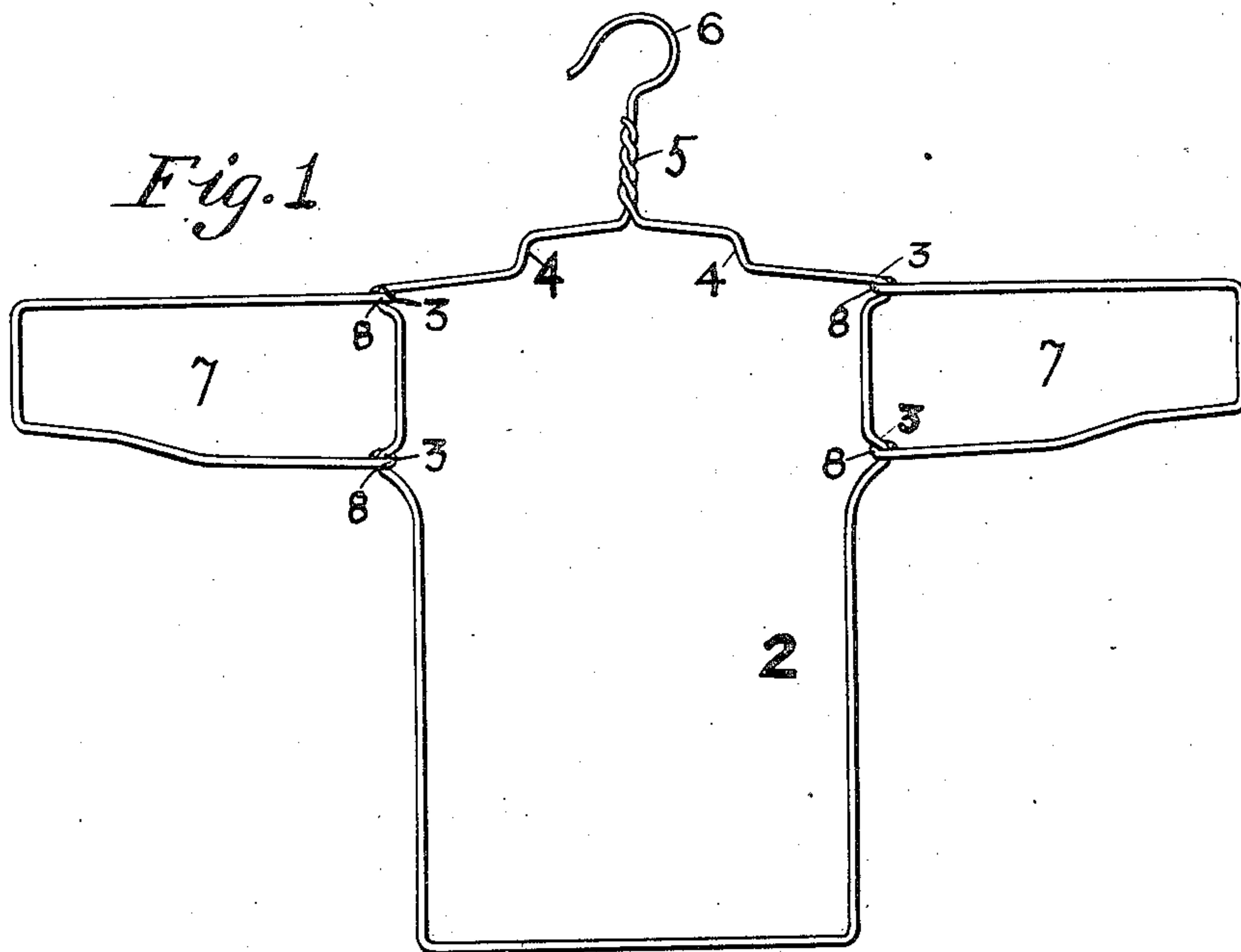


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, PAUL J. TIMBERLAKE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jackson, in the county of Jackson and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirt - Driers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My invention relates to forms for drying shirts and similar articles of clothing and has for its object to produce a form simple in construction and inexpensive, upon which the article of clothing may be readily drawn and which will prevent it from shrinking in any part.

Figure 1 shows one form in which my improved shirt drier can be made and Figs. 2 and 3 show other forms.

In the drawings, 2 is the rectangular body of the frame, preferably made of one continuous wire. In the form shown in Fig. 1 it is provided with the bends 3, 3<sup>a</sup>, to receive the ends of the forms for the sleeves, and the upper end of the rectangle is offset at 4, 4, to fit the neck opening of the garment. The ends of the wire meeting in the center of this upper end of the body of the frame are secured preferably in an upwardly turned twist 5. One or both of the ends is prolonged and bent to form a hook 6 by which the form may be suspended.

The forms for the sleeves 7, 7, are made of separate lengths of wire, the ends of each being bent into eyes 8, 8, which encircle the bends 3, 3<sup>a</sup>, in the body part of the drier, forming thereby a hinge support.

In the form of drier shown in Fig. 2 the lower bends 3<sup>a</sup> are dispensed with, and the sleeve forms 7' are of spring construction, that is the lower part or bar 70 by the resiliency of the form tends to spring away from the upper bar or part 71 to such extent that it will operate to stretch the sleeve that may be drawn upon the form.

In Fig. 3 the wire of the body frame is looped at 3', 3' and each sleeve frame is formed from a length of wire by making the two rightangled bends 9, 9, slipping the free ends of the wire through the loops 3', 3', and bending the ends toward each other, and

disposing them in a twist extending inwardly relative to the rectangular sleeve frame, one of the ends being bent to form the hook 11. This hook engages the wire of the body of the frame. The outer ends of the sleeve forms are bent back upon themselves at 12, 12.

In using the drier shown in Fig. 3, the sleeve forms are unhooked from the body of the drier and moved toward each other, their side wires, x, x, sliding in the loops 3', 3', until the ends of the sleeve forms limit further movement. The garment is then slipped onto the form from above, the sleeve frames are pulled out, and hook 11 is placed in engagement with the wire of the body portion of the frame. The cuff portions of the sleeve are drawn under the ends 12, 12, which act as frictional holders to retain the sleeves in an extended position and prevent them from shrinking lengthwise.

What I claim is:

1. A drying frame for shirts and similar articles of clothing, comprising a body frame and two sleeve frames, the latter being provided with holders at their outer ends to clamp the cuff portions of the garment and to prevent them from shrinking lengthwise.

2. A drying frame for shirts and similar articles of clothing, comprising a body frame provided with loops 3', 3', and two sleeve frames, the side wires of which pass through said loops and which are provided with the hooks, 11, 11, adapted to engage the wire of the body frame and hold said sleeve frames at their outermost position.

3. A drying frame for shirts and similar articles of clothing comprising a body frame and two sleeve frames secured to the body frame, each sleeve frame being adapted to hold a sleeve of the garment distended in a transverse direction and provided with a holder at its outer end to clamp the cuff portion of the garment and to prevent it from shrinking lengthwise.

4. A drying frame for shirts and similar articles of clothing, comprising a body frame provided with loops 3', 3', and two sleeve frames, the side wires of which pass through said loops substantially as set forth.

5. A drying frame for shirts and similar



articles of clothing comprising a body frame  
and two sleeve frames, the latter being bent  
back upon themselves at their outer ends in  
such a manner as to be adapted to friction-  
5 ally engage with the ends of the sleeves and  
hold them distended longitudinally, substan-  
tially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature,  
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