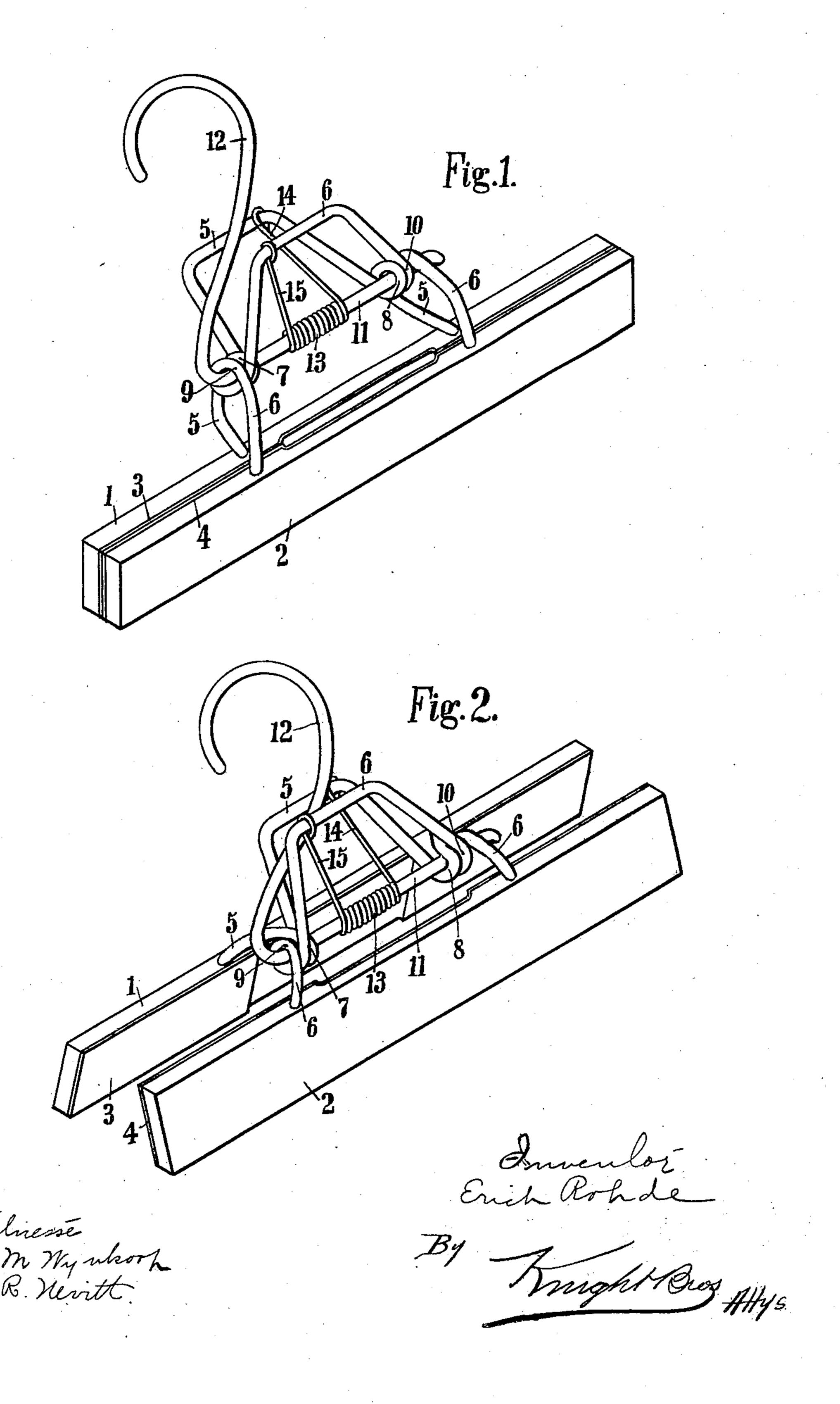
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Erich Rohde, subject of the German Emperor, residing at Friedenau, near Berlin, in the Kingdom of Prussia 5 and the Empire of Germany, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Trousers-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to a trouser-10 holder in which the bottom ends of the trousers are kept pressed against one an-

other.

The new trouser-holder differs from trouser-holders hitherto existing of this kind 15 by the brackets, between which the trousers are to be held, being pressed against one another by means of spiral springs or the like.

One embodiment of my new trouserholder is represented by way of example in

20 the accompanying drawing.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder in which the brackets are pressed against one another, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view in which the brackets are removed from one 25 another.

The trouser-holder consists of the brackets 1, 2 which have a felt-lining 3, 4. The arm or bracket 1 is connected with a bent wire 5 and the arm or bracket 2 is connected with 30 a bent wire 6, said wire 5 having the loops 7, 8 and said wire 6 having the loops 9, 10. Through the loops 7, 8, 9, 10 is pushed a shaft 11 ending in a hook 12. Upon the shaft 11 is mounted a helical spring 13, one 25 end of said spring being fixed to the bend 5 and the other 15 to the bend 6.

When the upper ends of the bends are approached one to another by the fingers of the hand the spring 13 is stretched and the brackets 1, 2 are removed from one another, 40 so that they are in position shown in Fig. 2. The trousers can then be guided with their lower parts between the brackets. When the bends 5, 6 are released from the fingers of the hand, the brackets 1, 2 are pressed by 45 the spring 13 against the trousers and the holder can be suspended on a nail.

When it is wished to remove the trousers from the holder the upper ends of the bends 5, 6 must be brought together and the spring 50 13 stretched so that the brackets 1, 2 are displaced from one another. Instead of one helical spring 13 two or more springs may be employed, also one can employ a spring in form of a band, or springs of other suitable 55

elastic material.

Having now fully described my invention I declare that what I claim is:—

In a trouser-holder the combination of two arms, a wire bent to form loops con- 60 nected with each arm, a pivot passing through said loops, and a helical spring on said pivot, one end of said spring engaging one of said wires and the other end of said spring engaging the other wire.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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