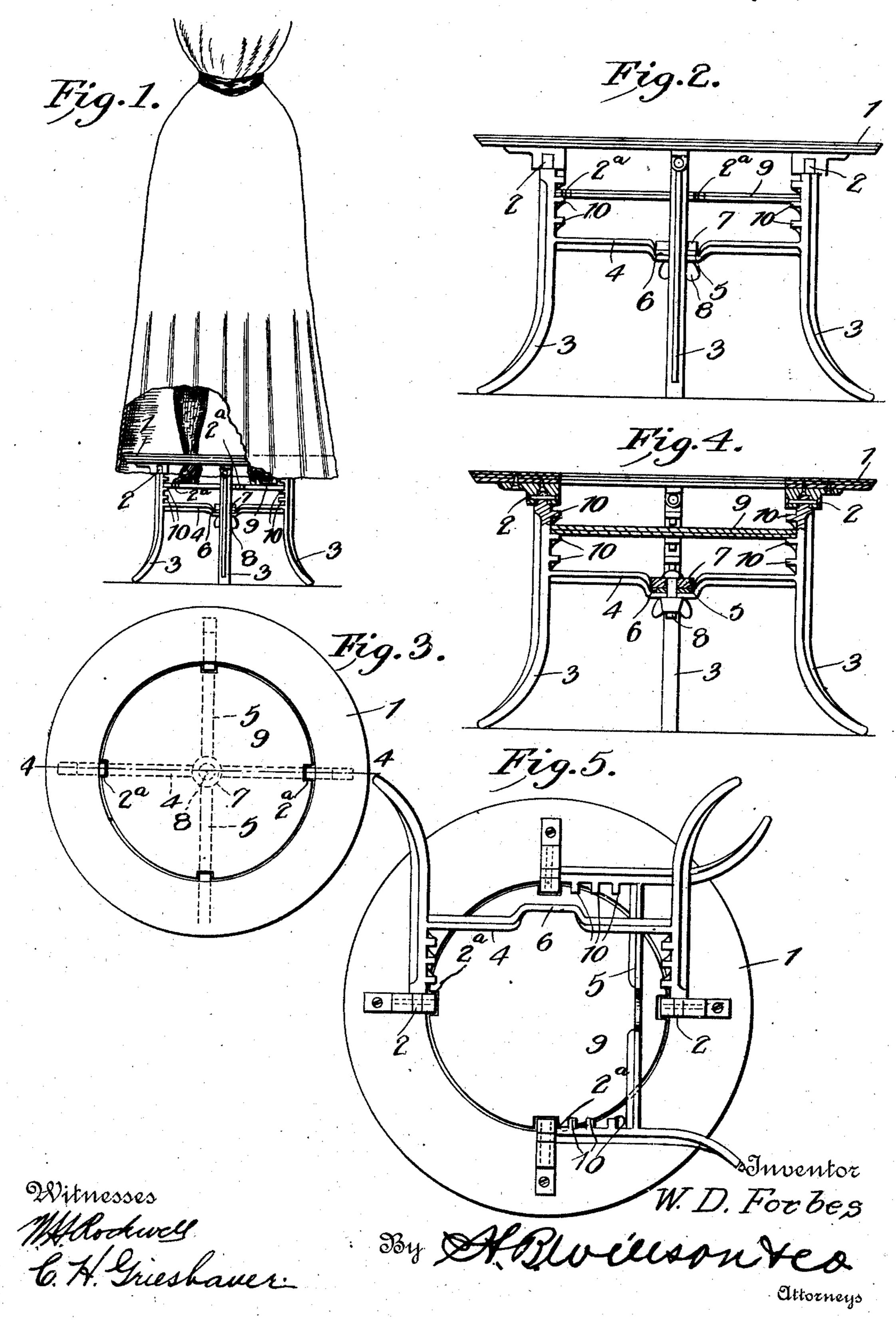
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Walter D. Forbes, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ogden, in the county of Weber and State of Utah, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Apparel Apparatus; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in

apparel apparatus.

It has for its object to provide more especially for enabling a dressmaker, or other person, to accurately determine the length of a
skirt from the waistband to the bottom edge,
the distance the latter is from the ground or
floor, with a view of insuring the proper hanging of the skirt, and to cause the bottom edge
thereof all around to have the same distance
from the floor or ground; and to carry out
these objects in a very simple and effective
manner.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be described and particularly

pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a front elevation thereof as applied; Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the device itself upon an enlarged scale; Fig. 3 is a plan view thereof; Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view, taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3; Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing the device in its folded or collapsed position.

In carrying out my invention I provide a suitable support or stand, 1, preferably of annular outline and having pivotally connected to its under side, as at 2, legs, 3, said legs being arranged in pairs and each pair connected by a cross brace, 4 and 5, crossing each other. At the point of crossing, one of 45 said braces has a depression, 6, adapted to receive the opposite brace, and within said depression is arranged a washer, 7, and through said braces and washer is inserted a holding nut-equipped screw, 8, for the retention of 50 said braces with the legs in effective position. By this arrangement it will be seen that the legs may be readily folded or collapsed when not in use, as shown in Fig. 5.

An inner table 9 preferably formed of layers of veneer suitably united together is supported concentrically of the annular member

or support 1, said table may be of any suitable form or shape and is provided with marginal notches 2° to permit the passage of ledges or projections upon the legs of the de-60 vice when applying the same for use. The table 9 may be supported upon any one of a series of opposed ledges or projections 10 secured to the legs 3 at various distances from the top or support 1 to provide for the vertical adjustment of said table 9. The legs 3 and braces 4 and 5 may be of the general outline disclosed, being preferably approximately T-shaped in cross section.

It will be noted that with the person standing in position upon the member 9, after it has been suitably adjusted upon the required ledges or projections, 10, with the skirt of said person over-hanging the member 1, and depending below the same, the member 1 75 indicates the point to which the bottom of the hem is desired to extend. The skirt is then provided with a suitable mark preferably made by a piece of chalk being drawn around the edge of the skirt against the edge 80 of the member 1 which permits the turning up of an accurate hem to cause the skirt to hang evenly all around.

It will be seen that this arrangement provides a very simple, inexpensive and readily 85 operated contrivance for carrying out the aforesaid purpose, and which is cheaply constructed.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, 90 the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be 95 resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what <sup>100</sup> I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. A skirt fitting stand having legs hingedly connected to its lower face and provided with laterally extending vertically spaced lugs, cross braces connecting diametrically opposite legs and crossing each other intermediately of their ends, means for detachably connecting said braces at their point of intersection, and a member adjustably lill mounted on said vertically spaced lugs.

2. A skirt fitting stand having legs hingedly

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connected to its lower face and provided with laterally extending vertically spaced lugs, cross braces connecting diametrically opposite legs and crossing each other intermedi-5 ately of their ends, one of said braces having a recess to receive the other bar or brace, a washer also arranged in said recess to provide a solid connection at their point of intersection, a bolt passing through said braces and 10 washer to detachably connect them, and a

member adjustably mounted on said vertically spaced lugs.

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

Witnesses:

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