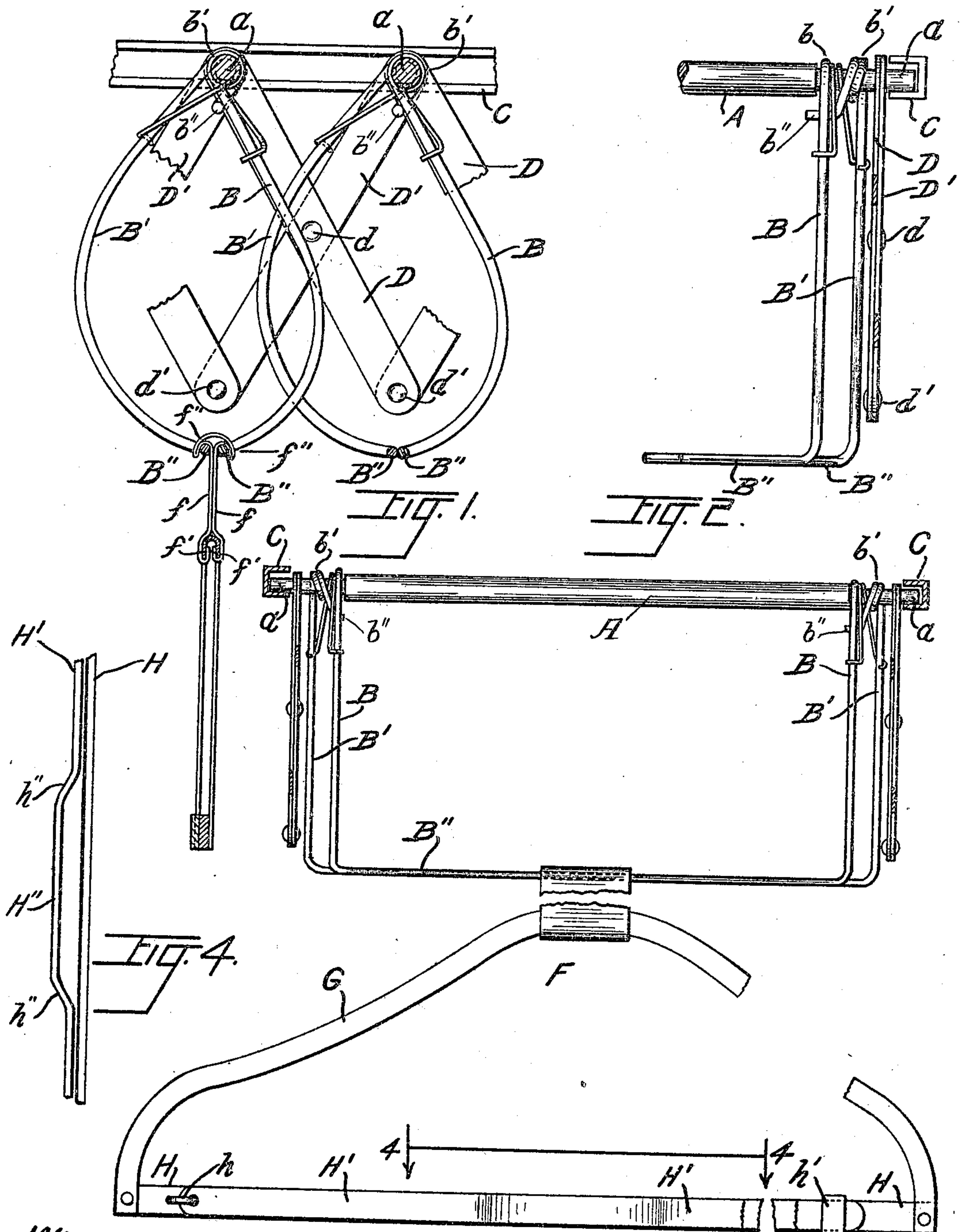


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOSEPH DANZIGER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Holders, of which the following, when taken in connection with the drawing accompanying and forming a part hereof, is a full and complete specification, sufficient to enable those skilled in the art to which it pertains to understand, make, and use the same.

This invention relates to devices used for hanging wearing apparel thereon.

The object of the invention is to obtain a combined skirt, coat and trousers hanger.

A further object of the invention is to obtain a combined skirt, coat and trousers hanger which may be used as an element of a device for the display of clothing, and arranged so that a large number of substantially duplicate hangers are grouped together.

A further object of the invention is to obtain a combined skirt, coat and trousers holder which, when a large number of the substantially duplicate hangers forming elements in a clothes holding device, may be forced closely together when the articles hung therein are being stored, (and not displayed.)

A further object of the invention is to obtain a device of the character named which is easily manipulated; from which clothes as a skirt, or a coat and trousers, may be readily taken; which is slightly in appearance; durable and economical in manufacture.

In the drawing referred to Figure 1 is an end elevation of a device embodying the invention, an elevation of a portion of a runway in which a plurality of the devices may be movably held, and an elevation of members connecting adjacent devices. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of one end of a portion of the device embodying the invention, the runway at said end and the connecting members. Fig. 3 is a front elevation of a device embodying the invention, and Fig. 4 is a section on line 4-4 of Fig. 3 showing a top plan view of the trousers holding member of the device.

A reference letter applied to designate a certain part is used to indicate such part throughout the several figures of the drawing wherever the same appears.

A is the base of the device, (see Fig. 2) and *a, a*, are the ends of base A. On said base I mount wires bent to obtain horizontal bars *B''* and ends *B, B'*. The portions of ends *B, B'*, which are wound or bent to extend around part *a* of base A, to pivotally attach said wires to said base, are lettered *b*, and *b'*, respectively. Ends *B'* are respectively extended beyond the turns or bends *b'* to obtain abutments *b''* against which the ends *B* abut, when bars *B'', B''*, are closely together.

*C, C*, are runways in which ends *a* of base A are movably mounted.

*D, D'*, are bars pivotally mounted on the ends *a* of base A, and pivotally connected together by pivots *d, d'*, to form what is known as "lazy tongs." These lazy tongs form no part of the present invention. Springs are mounted on part *a* of base A, and attached to parts *B, B'*. The springs are arranged to yieldingly hold the bars *B'', B''*, closely together, that is, with ends *B* and *B'* in close contact. The U-shaped parts *B, B'*, form what I term the sub-base of the device. A lady's skirt may be slid between bars *B'', B''*, and the skirt suspended thereby, or the coat and trousers hanger, *F*, about to be described, may be slid between said bars.

Hanger *F* consists of a sheet metal plate *f*, at the lower end thereof (*f'*) arranged to engage with the yoke *G*, and at the upper end thereof shaped to obtain wings *f'', f''*, which are arranged to rest on the top of bars *B'', B''*, when the body of said sheet metal plate *f* is between said bars; (as shown in Figs. 1 and 3.) The ends of yoke *G* are connected by bar *H*.

*H'* is a bar attached, as by staple *h* to bar *H*, and arranged to be held closely to said bar *H* when one end thereof is latched on strap *h'*. Strap *h'* is rigidly attached to bar *H'*. The bar *H'* is bent as at *h'', h''*, so that part *H''* thereof will stand out from, but substantially parallel to the bar *H*. An offset is thus obtained in bar *H'* whereby when trousers are suspended on bars *H, H'*, by the bottoms of the legs of said trousers being placed between said bars, the seams of said trousers may come adjacent to such part *H''*. Over pressure of the seams of the trousers is thus obviated.

It is of course obvious that a coat, overcoat or waist may be thrown over the yoke *G* and a pair of trousers or a skirt may be



suspended on bar H, and that thereafter the part *f* may be slid between parts B'', B'', of the sub-base.

By making the horizontal portion B'' of one of the wires B, B', shorter than said horizontal portion of the other wire when a number of the bases A are in the runway C said bases may be forced closely together and the ends *b*, *b'*, will interlock.

Having thus described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is;—

1. A base consisting of a rod, in combination with a sub-base consisting of wires having horizontal portions and curved ends, said wires mounted on the base by winding the ends around said base, and means to yieldingly hold the horizontal portion of said wires together.

2. A base consisting of a rod, in combination with a sub-base consisting of wires having horizontal portions and curved ends, said wires mounted on the base by winding the ends around said base, the ends of one of said wires bent and arranged so that the ends of the remaining wire abut against said bent ends when the horizontal portions of the wires are close together, and means to yieldingly hold said horizontal portion of said wires together.

3. A base consisting of a rod, in combination with a sub-base consisting of wires having horizontal portions and curved ends, said

wires mounted on the base by winding the ends around said base, the ends of one of said wires bent and arranged so that the ends of the remaining wire abut against said bent ends when the horizontal portions of the wires are close together and springs on the ends of the rod, said springs arranged to engage with the wires to yieldingly hold said horizontal portion of said wires together.

4. As an article of manufacture, a base and sub-base thereon for a garment holder, said garment holder having a plurality of hooks, and such sub-base consisting of wires movably mounted on the base and provided with horizontal portions and curved ends and means to yieldingly hold the horizontal portions of said wires together, said sub-base having capacity for engagement with the hooks of the garment holder.

5. A base consisting of a rod, in combination with a sub-base consisting of wires having horizontal portions and curved ends, said wires mounted on the base by winding the ends around said base, and means to yieldingly hold the horizontal portion of said wires together, the horizontal portion of one of said wires shorter than the horizontal portion of the other of said wires.

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