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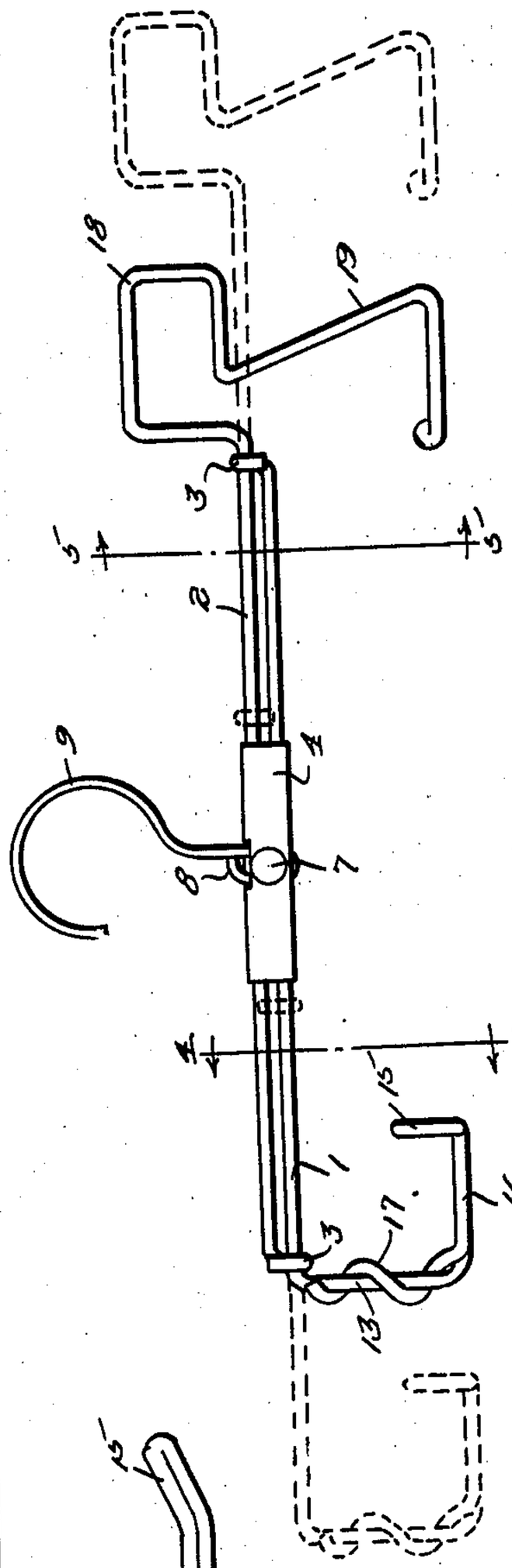

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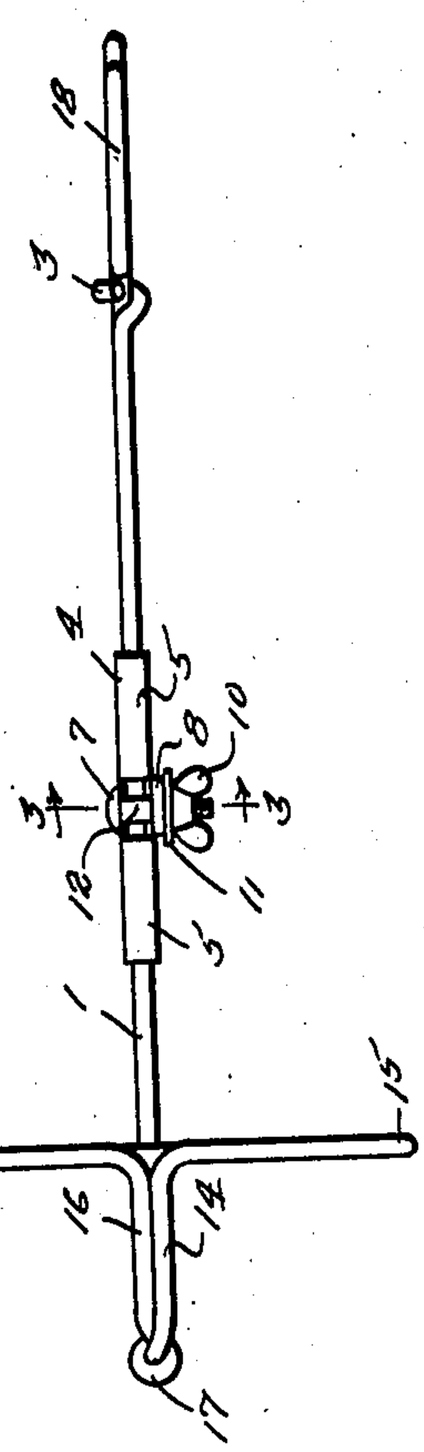

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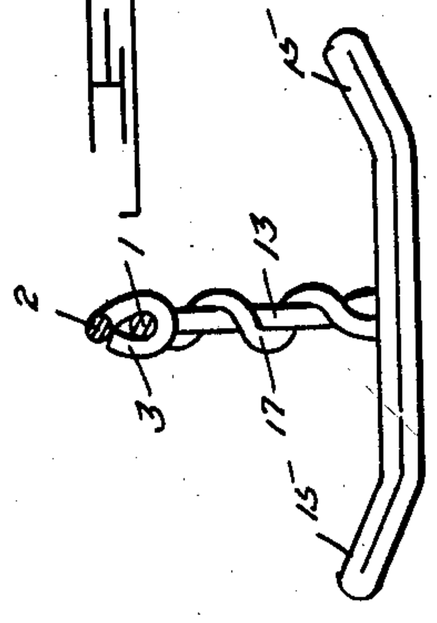

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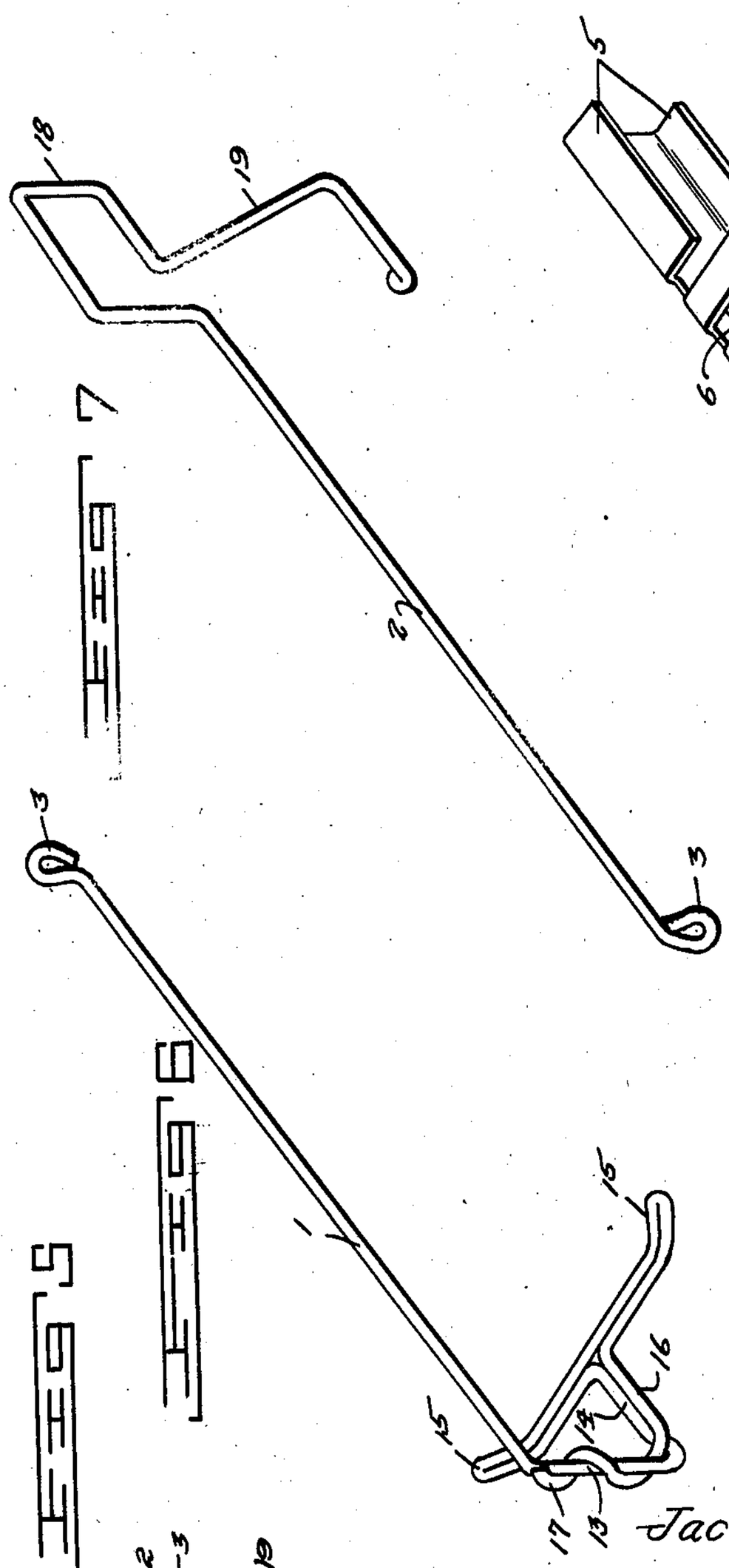

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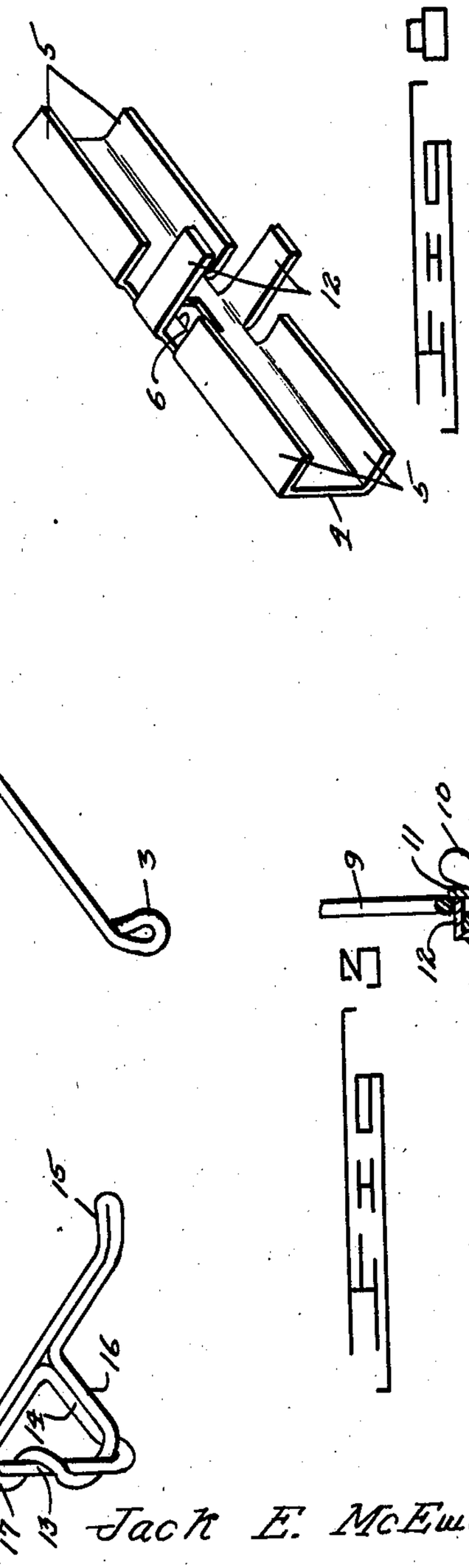

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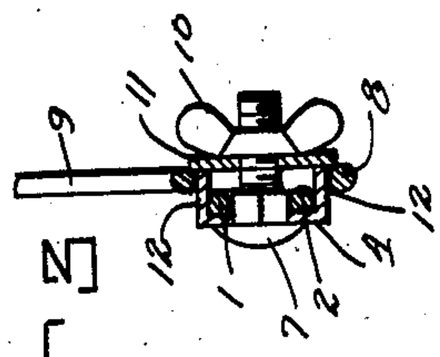

FIG. 2

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1 Claim. (Cl. 223—95)

The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in garment hangers, and has for its primary object to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, a device of this character which is adapted to suspend a pair of trousers in such a manner as to render it unnecessary to empty the pockets thereof.

Another very important object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger of the aforementioned character which is adapted to accommodate various sizes of trousers.

Still another very important object of the invention is to provide a garment hanger of the character described comprising novel means for securing the device in adjusted position.

Other objects of the invention are to provide a garment hanger of the character set forth which will be comparatively simple in construction, strong, durable, highly efficient and reliable in use, compact, light in weight, and which may be manufactured at low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification taken in connection with the accompanying drawings wherein like characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and wherein:

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of a garment hanger constructed in accordance with the present invention.

Figure 2 is a bottom plan view of the device.

Figure 3 is a cross-sectional view, taken substantially on the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

Figure 4 is a cross-sectional view, taken substantially on the line 4—4 of Figure 1.

Figure 5 is a cross-sectional view, taken substantially on the line 5—5 of Figure 1.

Figure 6 is a detail view in perspective of one of the slidably adjustable members.

Figure 7 is a detail view in perspective of the other of the slidably adjustable members.

Figure 8 is a perspective view of the clamp.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, it will be seen that the embodiment of the invention which has been illustrated comprises front and rear rods 1 and 2, respectively, of suitable wire. The inner end portions of the rods 1 and 2 are bent at right angles in opposite directions and formed to provide eyes 3 for slidably connecting said rods. That is, each of the rods 1 and 2 slides through the eye 3 of the other rod.

Mounted on one side of the rods 1 and 2 is a longitudinally elongated clamping plate 4 of suitable metal having pairs of flanges 5 on its end portions which receive said rods therebetween. At an intermediate point the plate 4 has formed therein a square opening 6 which accommodates a carriage bolt 7 (see Fig. 3). The bolt 7 extends between the rods 1 and 2 and passes through an elongated loop 8 on the lower end of a suspension hook 9. Threaded on the bolt 7 is a wing nut 10. A washer 11 is interposed between the wing nut 10 and the loop 8. Projecting from the intermediate portion of the plate 4 and extending through the loop 8 are stop fingers 12 which are engageable with the washer 11, said fingers extending above and below the rods 2 and 1, as also shown to advantage in Figure 3 of the drawings.

The forward portion of the rod 1 is bent downwardly at 13 and reversed, as at 14, and then formed to provide upturned hooks 14 which project laterally in opposite directions. From the hooks 15, this rod is bent to parallel the portion 14, as at 16, and terminates in an end portion 17 which is twisted around the portion 13 of said rod.

The rear end portion of the rod 2 is formed to provide a resilient head 18 comprising an inclined hook portion 19 which is engageable in the back portion of the waist band of a pair of trousers.

In use, one of the hooks 15 is inserted through the belt loop of the trousers which is above the crease line in the front of one of the legs of said trousers. The back portion of the garment is then taken around the portion 19 of the head 18 and the belt loop above the front crease line in the other leg is engaged with the other hook 15. The rods 1 and 2 are then opened in the manner suggested in dotted lines in Figure 1 of the drawings for holding the trousers, and the wing nut 10 is then tightened to frictionally clamp the rods 1 and 2 in adjusted position. This adjustment may be maintained as there is sufficient resiliency in the device to permit it thereafter to be removed and applied to the garment. The fingers 12 passing through the elongated loop 8, retain the suspension hook 9 against swinging movement.

It is believed that the many advantages of a garment hanger constructed in accordance with the present invention will be readily understood, and although a preferred embodiment of the device is as illustrated and described, it is to be understood that changes in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of parts may be resorted to which will fall within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed is:

A garment hanger comprising a pair of slidably connected adjustable rods, means on one end of the rods for suspending a pair of trousers therefrom, a plate on one side of the rods, a suspension hook including a loop engaged with the other side of the rods, flanges on the plate receiving the rods therebetween, fingers on the plate engaged in the loop, a bolt mounted in the plate, said bolt passing between the rods and through the loop, a clamping nut threaded on the bolt, and a washer on the bolt between said nut and said loop.

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