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Fig. 1.

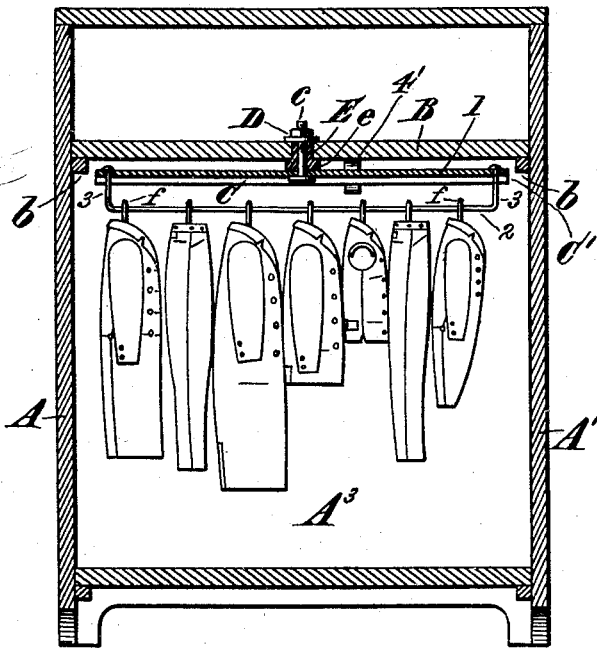


Fig. 2.

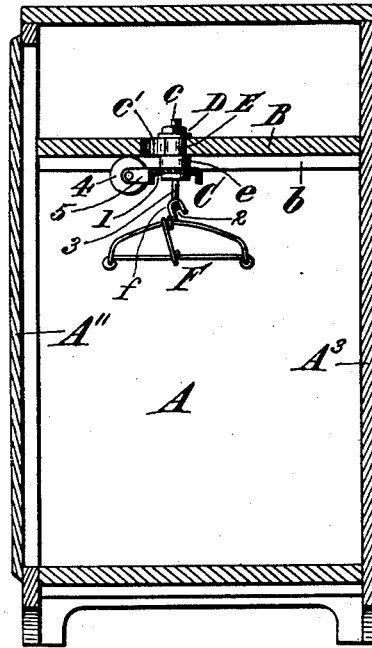
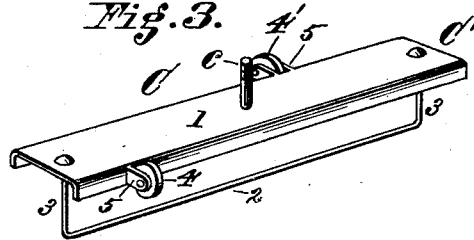


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANTON L. RENNEKAMP, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Hanging Devices for Wardrobes and Closets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a clothes hanging or suspending device for use in wardrobes and closets; and the object of my invention is to provide a swing rack or hanger composed of an open rectangular frame having a central upright bolt, by which it is suspended from the shelf or top of a wardrobe and adapted to be rotated in a horizontal plane to receive garments hung on hook-frames, all as hereinafter fully described, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a central longitudinal section of a wardrobe and my clothes-hanging device suspended therein, said device or hanger being shown swung back into place. Fig. 2 is a central transverse section of the same, and Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of my improved swing-rack itself.

A A' represent the sides of an ordinary wardrobe; A'', the door thereof, and A³ the back.

B is the customary shelf, supported at its ends by strips b.

C represents a horizontal swing-frame or drop-rack suspended beneath shelf B by means of an upright swivel-bolt, c, inserted through a slot, c', in said shelf, for engagement with a fastening washer-nut, D. The lower end of bolt c is riveted or otherwise rigidly connected to the swing-frame C.

E represents a sleeve or bushing provided with a flange, e, at its lower edge and adapted to receive the bolt c of the swing-frame, and permit it to rotate freely therein.

Swing-frame C is composed of a longitudinally-flanged bar or plate, 1, and an open expanded-U-shape frame, 2, which latter is suspended from the former by its upturned ends 3 3 in a direct vertical plane.

Bar or plate 1 is preferably made of cast-iron and flanged, as shown, for lightness and strength.

4 4' represent rollers or trundles journaled

between lugs 5 5, cast upon the opposite flanged edges of swing-frame bar 1, roller 4 being journaled near one of the outer ends of said bar, and roller 4' near the center thereof, but toward the opposite outer end.

F represents ordinary coat or garment frames suspended from the swing-frame C at right angles thereto by means of their hooks f, which engage the horizontal bar of frame 2.

In the operation of my swing clothes rack or hanger to suspend garments in place the open swing-frame C is turned a quarter of a revolution to bring its end C' outward or toward the door-opening. Then the garments on their hook-frames are placed on the bar 2, and slid or pushed backward thereupon, so as to bring the clothes to lie closely packed against one another face to face, back to back, or vice versa. The swing-frame is then turned to its normal longitudinal position, to lie, as shown in the drawings, with the garments suspended in a line before the individual, and permit him to remove any particular garment without disturbing the others.

The rollers 4 4' are journaled in the manner hereinbefore described, and as shown in the drawings, so that the swing-frame can turn freely, and at the same time be held firmly in balance against lateral play or contact with the bottom of the shelf. Roller 4' is hung nearer the center than roller 4, so that in rotating the swing-frame it (the roller) will not depart from contact with the bottom of the shelf, which is narrower from the outer end of slot c' to its outer edge than from the inner end of said slot to its farther rear edge. The slot c' is provided, so that the swing-frame can be drawn outwardly sufficient to permit it and the garments suspended therefrom to turn within the wardrobe without danger of contact with the inner walls thereof.

What I claim is—

1. A clothes-support for wardrobes, consisting of a metallic horizontal swing-frame having an upwardly-extending pin at its middle, and having its edges flanged, and an expanded U-shaped rod secured by its ends to the ends of said frame.

2. A clothes-support for wardrobes, consisting of a metallic horizontal swing-frame having a supporting-pin at its center, and having

its edges flanged, a pair of rollers secured to the opposite sides or flanges of said frame, one of said rollers being nearer to the central pin than the other, and a rod secured to said frame.

- 5 3. A clothes-support for wardrobes, consisting of a horizontal frame having a supporting-pin at its middle, a supporting-shelf provided with an aperture, a bushing in said aperture having a flange upon its lower end, and a nut

for securing said pin in said bushing and said aperture, the diameter of said nut being greater than the diameter of said aperture.

In testimony of which invention I have hereunto set my hand.

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