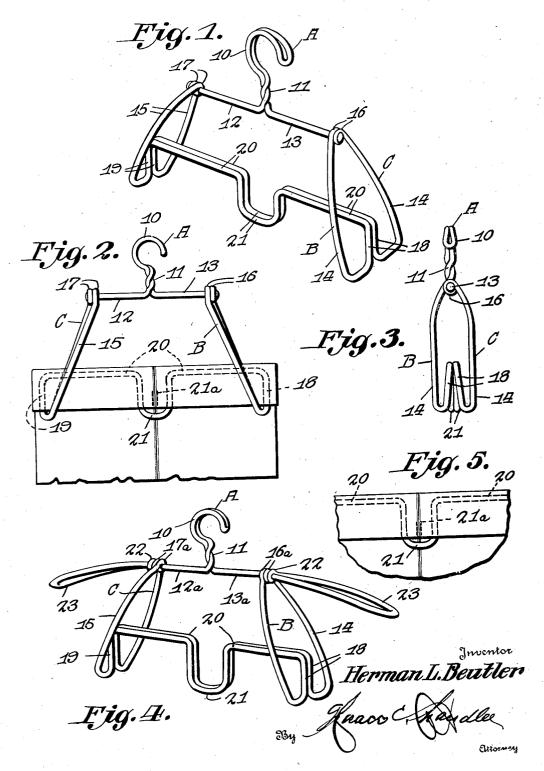
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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in garment hangers, and particularly to hangers for men's clothing.

The principal object is to provide a hanger for supporting trousers by means of the cuff portion thereof.

A further object is to provide a construction in which the weight of the garment will contribute to the successful operation of the invention.

Another object is to produce a hanger of the type mentioned which shall be light in weight, yet substantially constructed, and which may be manufactured at a relatively low cost.

To the accomplishment of the foregoing and such other objects as may hereinafter appear, my invention consists in the elements and their relation one to the other, as hereinafter particularly described and sought to be defined in the claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawing which shows preferred embodiments of my invention, and in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the invention. Figure 2 is a front elevation thereof in use for supporting a pair of trousers, portions of the invention being shown in dotted lines.

Figure 3 is an end view of a modification of the invention, and

Figure 4 illustrates a form of the invention hav-30 ing means for supporting garments other than trousers.

Figure 5 is a detail view illustrating the purpose of the loop 21.

As shown in the drawing, A represents a supporting member in which the wire is bent upon itself and shaped to form a hook 10, beyond which the strands are preferably twisted together to form a shank 11. Instead of the twisted shank, however, it will be understood that the strands may be soldered together or otherwise attached to insure rigidity. Beyond the shank, the strands are turned at right angles, in opposite directions, to form supporting arms 12 and 12.

The invention also includes trouser supports

B and C, each formed of a single strand of wire
and identically constructed. Each of these trouser
supports includes the downwardly diverging members 14 and 15 having their upper or free ends
16 and 17 twisted around the outer extremities of
the arms 13 and 12, to form a pivotal connection. At the lower ends of the members 14 and 15
the wire is bent inwardly and then upwardly, resulting in legs 18 and 18, the upper extremities of
which are connected together by the horizontal
bight portion 20 of the strand, at the approxi-

mate center of which is a downwardly extending loop or recess 21. As shown in Figure 2, the ends of the supporting arms 12 and 13 are upset or headed to prevent displacement of the twisted portions 16 and 17 therefrom. As shown in Figure 3, the legs 18 and 19 of each of the supports B and C may incline inwardly, whereby to cause the bight portions 20 to assume positions in close proximity to each other.

In Figure 4 there is illustrated a form of the 10 invention having means for supporting a coat or similar garment. In this form, the supporting arms 12a and 13a are extended somewhat, rebent upon themselves, and have their extremities twisted around themselves, as at 22, against the 15 twists 16a and 17a, so as to confine said twists. There are thus formed the shoulder members 23.

While wire has been mentioned herein as the material to be used in the construction of the invention, it will be understood that the hanger 20 may be otherwise constructed and that other changes may be made without departing from the spirit on the invention.

When using the herein described invention, the outside of the cuff portion of each trouser leg is 25 slipped over one of the bight portions 20, in such a manner as to cause the loop 21 to surround the point 21a at which the upper edge of the cuff is sewed to the trouser leg, as shown in Figure 5. When thus applied, the hanger is supported by 30 the hook 10, whereupon the weight of the trousers will cause the supports B and C to swing together causing the ends of the trouser legs to be firmly held between the bight portions 20, which will contribute to the successful functioning of 35 the device, as a trousers hanger, as will be clearly understood.

It will be understood that when trousers are worn with a belt, they may be suspended from the present hanger by engaging the belt, at op-40 posite sides of the trousers, over the bight portions 20.

What is claimed is:

1. A garment hanger including supporting arms and supports pivotally connected to said arms, 45 said supports including legs, portions connecting said legs adapted to be inserted in the cuffs of trousers, and loops in said connecting portions adapted to surround stitching of the cuffs.

2. A garment hanger including a pair of trouser 50 supporting members each having upturned legs adapted to enter the fold formed by the cuff of a trouser leg, said legs of each member being connected by a portion having a recess to receive the stitching holding the cuff upturned,

A garment hanger including a pair of trouser supporting members each having upturned legs adapted to enter the fold formed by the cuff of a trouser leg, said legs of each member being connected by a portion having a recess to receive the stitching holding the cuff upturned, and a transverse supporting bar to which said members are pivotally attached to permit swinging of the lower parts of the members toward and 10 from each other.

 A garment hanger including a pair of trouser cuff engaging members each formed of a single length of wire having a centrally disposed and upwardly open U-shaped bend, a pair of aligned 15 horizontal portions leading from the upper ends of the legs of the bend, downwardly extending vertical portions at the outer ends of the horizontal portions, a U-shaped bend at the lower end of each vertical portion, and an upward ex-20 tension on each said last bend and terminating in an eye; in combination with a cross bar where-

on said eyes are journalled.

5. A garment hanger including a pair of trouser supporting members arranged in normally con-25 fronting relation, each of said members having portions extending in the direction of the other of said members, said portions having upturned legs connected thereto and adapted to enter the fold formed by the cuff of a trouser leg, said up-30 turned legs being normally in contacting relation, and a support for the members.

6. A garment hanger including trouser supporting members arranged in normally confronting arrangement, each of said supporting mem-

bers having upturned legs connected thereto and offset therefrom in the direction of the legs of the other supporting member said legs being normally in contacting relation, means connecting the upper ends of the legs of each member and adapted to enter the fold formed by the cuff of a trouser leg, and a support for the members.

7. A garment hanger including a supporting member formed of a strand of wire having its end portions rebent to form terminal loops and hav- 10 ing its extremities wrapped around the strand at spaced points, and a pair of trouser supporting members pivoted to said supporting member in confronting relation, each of said trouser supporting members having upwardly extending legs 15 connected thereto and offset therefrom in the direction of the legs of the other trouser supporting member, said legs being normally in contacting relation, means connecting the upper ends of the legs of each member and adapted to enter 20 the fold formed by the cuff of a trouser leg, and said trouser supporting members having end portions wrapped around the first named supporting member between and in engagement with the wrapped ends thereof.

8. A garment hanger including a pair of trouser supporting members, each of said members having a portion extending in the direction of the other of said members, and each of said extending portions having an upwardly extending leg 30 adapted to enter the fold formed by the cuff of a trouser leg, said upwardly extending legs being normally in contacting relation.

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