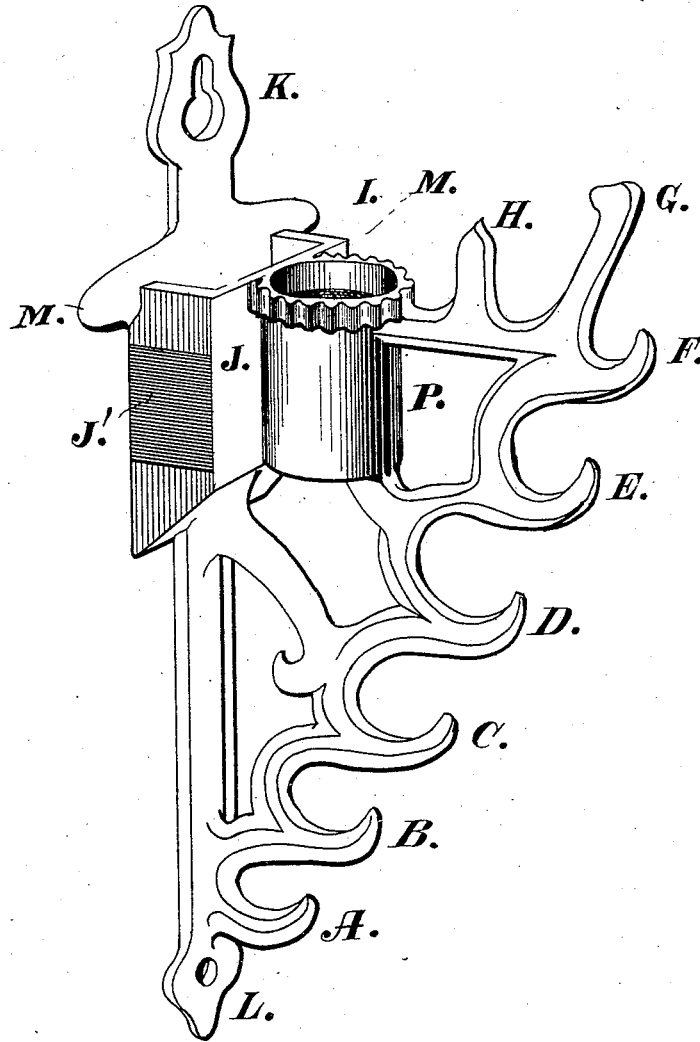


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HAT AND CLOTHES-RACKS.

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IMPROVEMENT IN HAT AND CLOTHES RACKS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC W. HEYSINGER, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in Portable Clothes and Hat Racks, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the drawing accompanying and forming part of this specification.

As will be seen from the drawing, which is a perspective view of the invention in question, it consists in a series of suitably-shaped hooks, A B C D E F G, each one of which is so arranged as to underhang those above it in the series, so that numerous articles of wearing-apparel, or other articles, may be hung thereupon without confusion or liability of falling. In the same vertical plane in which lie these hooks, and above their general level, at the rear, is placed in the back plate a slot, K, by which the whole may be hung on a suitable nail against a wall or similar surface. This opening K is made smaller at its upper portion, so that, while the larger part below may pass freely over the head of a nail when the hook is being suspended, afterward it will be prevented from slipping over the said nail-head by the narrowing of the slot above. At L, beneath, is seen a round hole in the back plate for the reception of a nail or screw, by means of which, and the one at K above, the rack may be permanently attached to the wall or closet when so desired. At M M' are

seen lateral arms or enlargements, to hold the rack steady when hung against a wall or other plane surface. At P is shown a chamber, in which is contained a cushion for the reception of pins, hair-pins, needles, and other articles of toilet use; and at J is shown another chamber or receptacle for matches, the outside surface thereof being roughened for convenience in igniting the same.

In this manner is produced a very convenient and portable article of considerable use to tourists, travelers, watering-place visitors, occupants of hotels or boarding-houses, &c., which may be thrown into a trunk, or carried in the pocket, to be used as occasion may require.

I prefer making it of cast metal, and, when neatly gotten up in convenient sizes, it forms a handsome article of trade at a low price, complete in itself, and always ready for use.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As a new article of manufacture, a clothes and hat rack, A B C D E F G, having back plate with slot K, provided with match-box J, with or without a pin-cushion, P, permanently attached thereto, substantially as described.

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