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(54) Display device.

(g) In order to maintain the shape of a folded garment, and to hold it in the folded position, there is provided a display device comprising a first support element 1 adapted to extend across the shoulders of the garment at the back, a second support element 2 adapted to enter the neck of the garment in the area of the shoulders so as to hold the garment in position, and a pair of bars 5 about which the sleeves may be folded so as to lie generally parallel with the sides of the garments and with each other. The support element also includes a pair of clips or latches 6 which retain a lower marginal portion 9 of the garment when the latter is folded up. For particular effectiveness in maintaining the shape and ease of folding, there is preferably also provided a generally rectangular frame comprising side frame elements 3 and a bottom frame element 4 which assists in the folding up of the lower marginal portion.

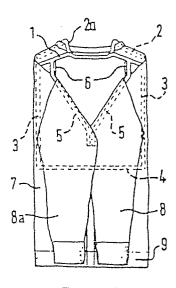


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