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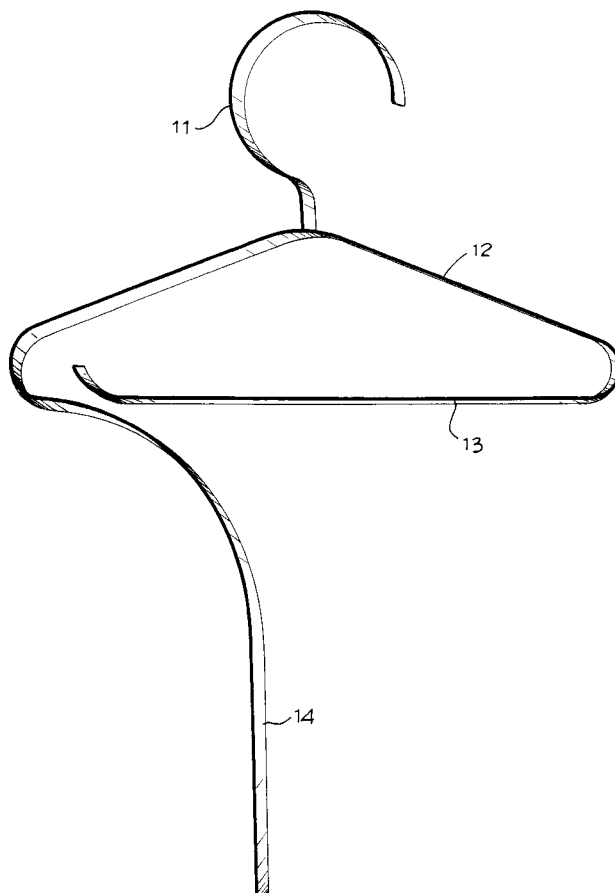
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(54) **Clothes hanger with prolonged handle**

(57) This invention concerns a wardrobe clothes hanger for articles of clothing, consisting of a hook for hanging in the upper part and a shoulder part with a

cross-bar. The clothes hanger may be made from any material, in a single piece or in various parts, and is furnished with a rigid or folding prolongation (14), pointing downwards and acting as a handle.



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**Description**

**[0001]** This invention concerns clothes hangers and in particular clothes hangers for wardrobes.

**[0002]** These clothes hangers can be made from various materials, such as wood, metal, plastic or a mixture of these. In all cases, they have a hook for hanging and a shoulder part for supporting those garments with sleeves and, more often than not, a cross-bar, with or without small hooks at the end, for holding other garments, such as trousers, etc. In this form though, the clothes hangers and the garments on them are difficult to reach and remove, especially when they are hung high up in wardrobes, without resorting to specifically designed poles.

**[0003]** The aim of this invention is to overcome this disadvantage of clothes hangers, making them more practical and easier to use, eliminating also the need to use poles in order to reach the level of the hangers at the top of the wardrobe.

**[0004]** This objective is achieved according to the invention, whereby a clothes hanger is equipped, either integrally, or with the addition of, a prolongation that extends downwards and functions as a handle and hand-grip for the clothes hanger.

**[0005]** This extended handle may be rigid or folding.

**[0006]** The enclosed design shows a practical example of this clothes hanger in its new form.

**[0007]** This clothes hanger may be made from any material, in a single piece or in various parts combined together.

**[0008]** In the example shown, there is just one piece, consisting of a hook for hanging 11 in the upper part, a shoulder support 12 and a cross-bar 13. Extending from the lower part of the clothes hanger there is a prolongation 14, forming a handle and enabling the hanger to be grasped from below.

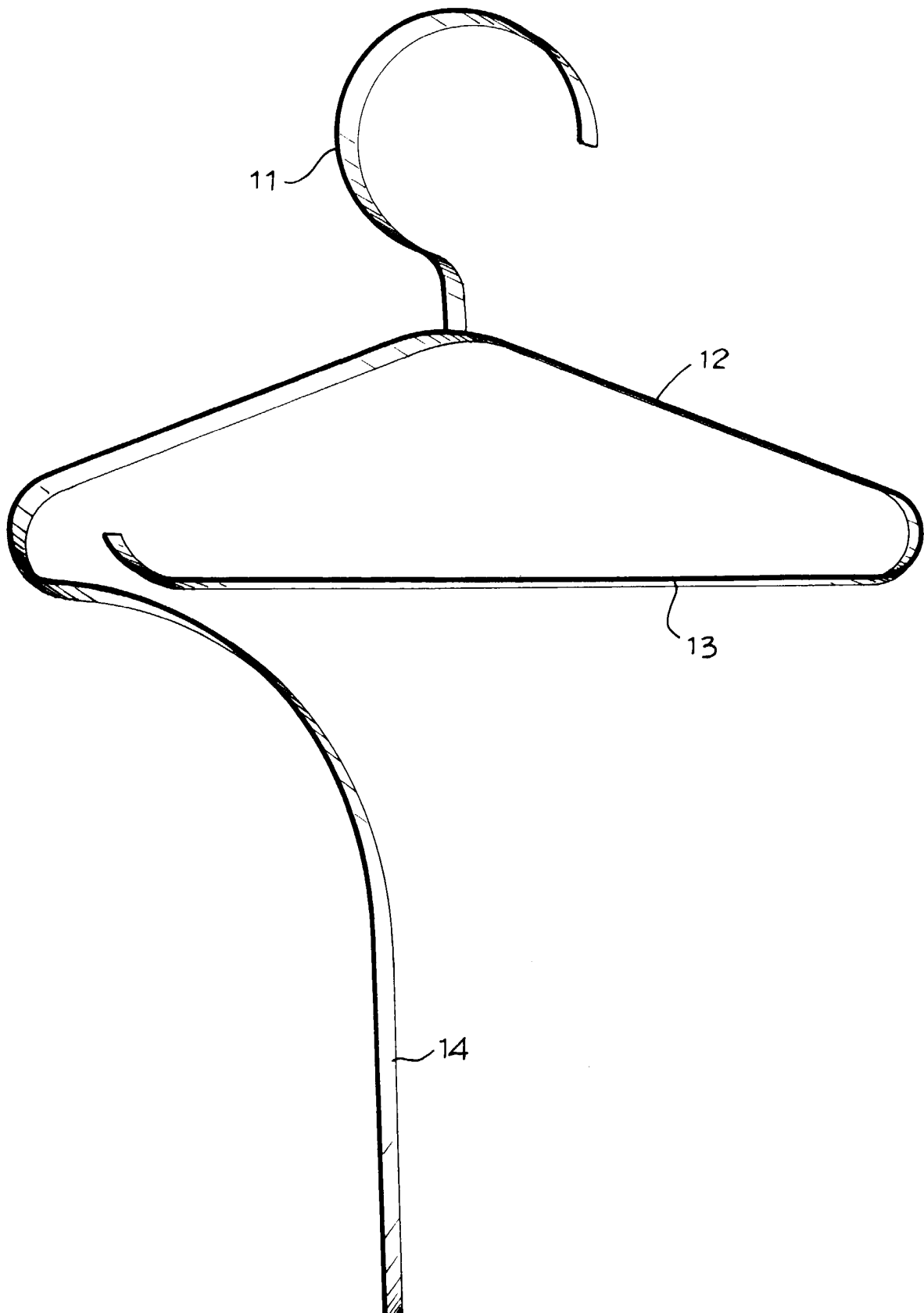
**[0009]** Said prolongation 14 may constitute a single solid piece with the rest of the clothes hanger or, as an alternative, it may be added and connected to the hanger in such a way as to move from an operative position, straight downwards, to a folded position, alongside the cross-bar 13.

hanger.

3. Clothes hanger according to claim 1, in which said prolongation is added and fixed rigidly to the hanger.
4. Clothes hanger according to claim 1, in which said prolongation is added and applied to the hanger in folding form.

**Claims**

1. Wardrobe clothes hanger for articles of clothing, consisting of a hook for hanging in the upper part, a shoulder part equipped with a cross-bar, and where the clothes hanger may be made of any material, in a single piece or various parts, characterised by the fact that it is furnished with a prolongation (14), pointing downwards and acting as a handle.
2. Clothes hanger according to claim 1, in which said prolongation (14) forms one single piece with the





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