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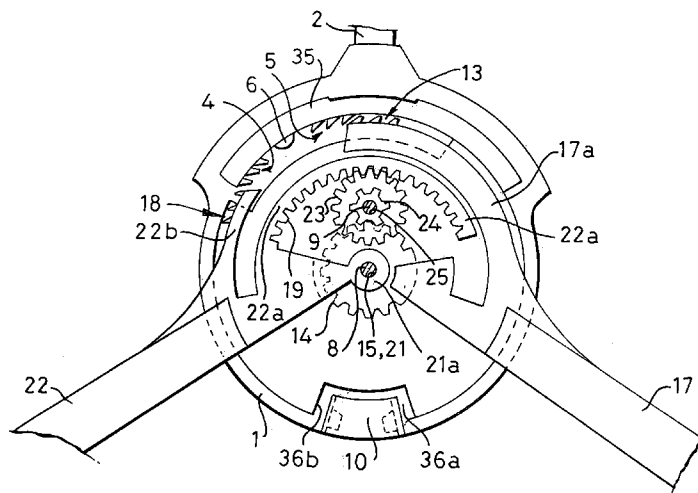
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(57) Abstract: A foldable clothes hanger comprising two foldable arms (17,22) mounted pivotably on a common axis (8), each arm (17,22) having a part provided with a toothed arcuate rack (14,19) engaging a pinion (24,23) that is mounted pivotally on an adjacent parallel axis (9). Each of the arms (17,22) carries a generally arcuate limb provided with arcuately extending latch means (13,18). The hanger comprises arcuately extending catch means (5,4) to engage with the latch means (13,18); means to effect resilient engagement between the latch means (13,18) and the catch means (5,4); and release means (6,28) manually operable to counter the resilient engagement and permit disengagement of the latch means (13,18) and the catch means (5,4). The latch means are provided adjacent one another towards one end of a generally arcuate rib (35) resiliently displaceable in a generally arcuate direction about a relatively fixed opposite end of the rib (35). The rib (35) is mounted upon a carrier member moveable arcuately about said common axis (8).