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Fig. 1.

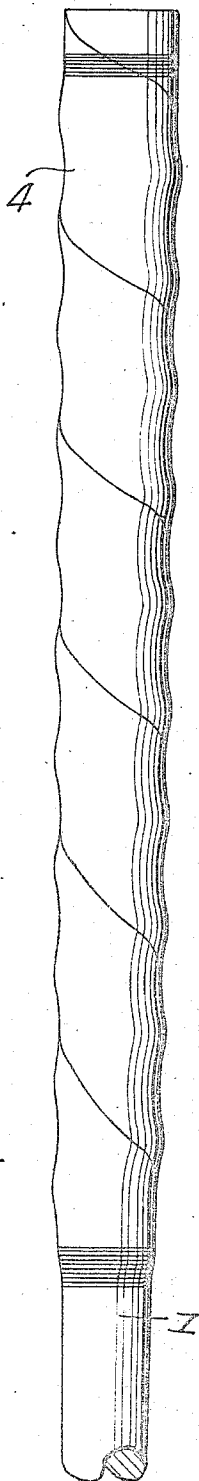


Fig. 2.

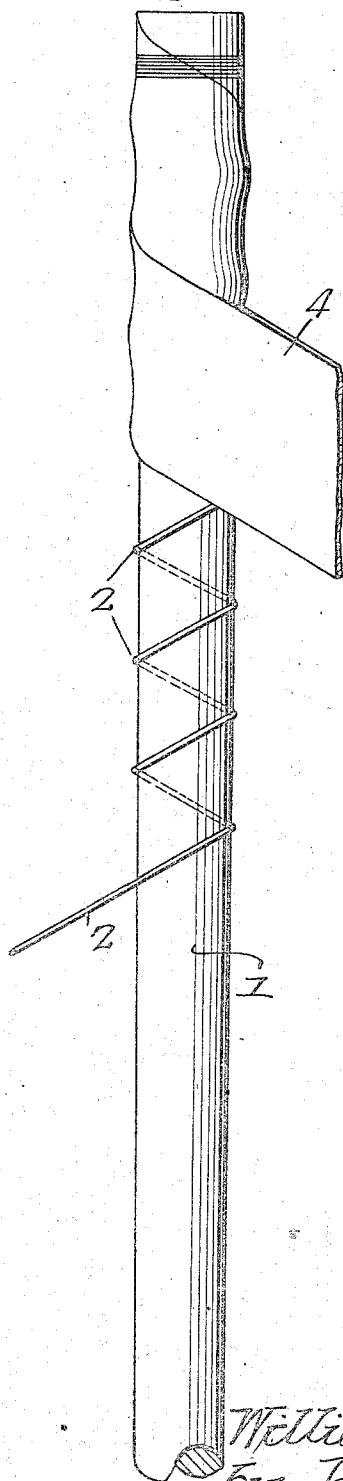


Fig. 3.

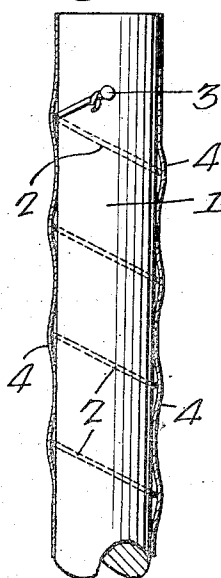
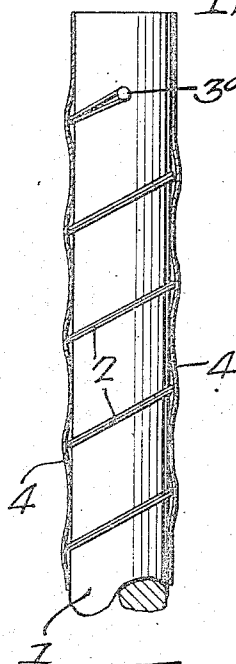


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM G. HALKETT, a citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in Hand Grips for Golf Clubs, &c., of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to certain improvements in hand grips for golf clubs and the like.

The object of my invention is to provide a golf club with a hand grip which shall be more firm than the present style of grip, and which shall be free from the serious objection lodged against the present style of grips that they become so smooth and slippery in use that they cannot be held firmly without straining the muscles of the hands and forearms which curtails the power of the swing and the effectiveness of the stroke.

These objects I attain in the following manner, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1, is a side view of a hand grip of a golf club made in accordance with my invention;

Fig. 2, is a view showing the method of making the hand grip;

Fig. 3, is a sectional view of a portion of the hand grip, and

Fig. 4, is a view illustrating a modification of the invention.

Referring to the drawings, 1 is the shaft of the club. 2 is a cord selected for size, twist and strength which, in the present instance, is fastened at 3 by a tack or other fastening to the shaft. This cord is wrapped around the shaft in one direction as tightly as possible, the convolutions being so spaced as to provide a firm support for the fingers and thumbs, and is then fastened at the lower end by a tack. The cord, prior to being wrapped around the shaft 1, is waxed so that it will adhere to both the shaft and the leather covering. After the cord is firmly in place, a strip of suitable leather 4 is attached to the upper end of the shaft by a small tack, and it is wound

around the shaft over the cord but in a direction opposite to that of the cord. Sufficient tension is applied to the leather to draw it tightly onto the shaft so that the helical rib produced by the cord is thrown up to the outer surface of the leather. The lower end of the leather strip is fastened by a tack and whipped with waxed linen thread in the usual way. The winding of the leather in a direction opposite to that of the cord under tension holds the cord and leather firmly in position.

In Figs. 1, 2 and 3, a single cord is shown, while in Fig. 4 a double cord is illustrated, one end of the cord being looped around a tack 3^a.

It will be understood that the cord may be of any thickness and of as many plies as desired, and the spaces between the convolutions of the cords may be increased or diminished in width to suit different tastes and to accommodate the hands of various players.

While my invention is especially adapted for use as a hand grip for golf clubs, it will be understood that the invention can be used as a hand grip for base ball and cricket bats, tennis and squash rackets, &c., and wherever a firm hold is desired on a handle.

The invention can also be used as a hand grip for the steering wheels of automobiles.

I claim:

1. In a handle, the combination of a helically wound cord encircling the handle and attached at each end thereto; with a strip of leather helically wrapped around the handle and cord in a direction opposite to the winding of the cord, said leather strip being attached at each end to the handle.

2. The combination in a handle, of a waxed cord wrapped helically around the handle; and a strip of leather wrapped helically around the handle and the cord in a direction opposite to the winding of the cord and fastened at both ends to the handle.

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