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Fig. 1. Fig. 2.

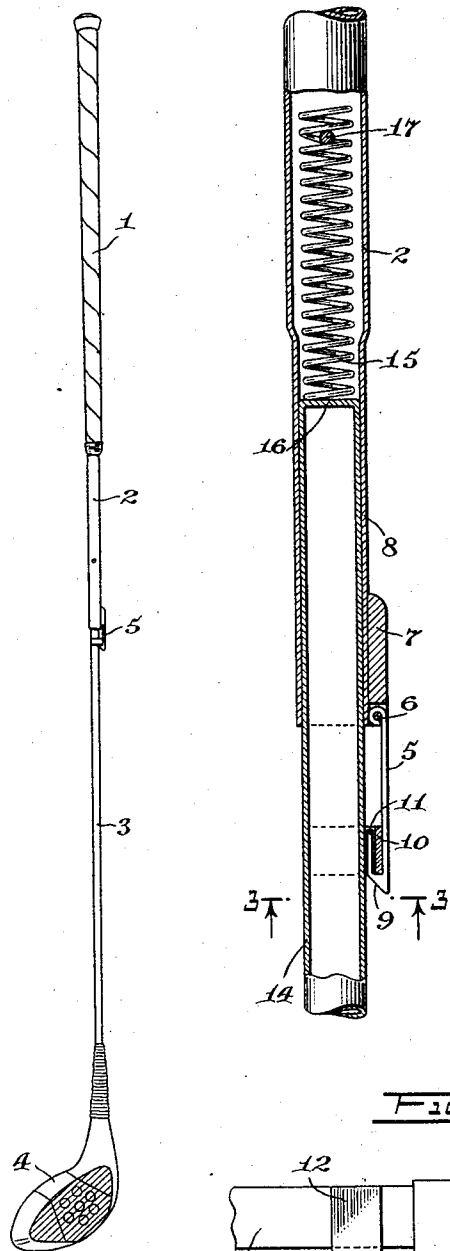


Fig. 3.

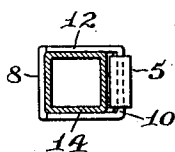
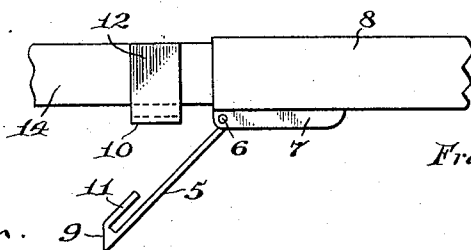


Fig. 4.



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This invention relates to golf clubs and has for an object to provide an improved construction wherein one handle may be used on a number of clubs, the structure being such that the handle may be quickly applied and removed without the use of tools and with very little effort.

A further object of the invention is to provide a golf club with a removable handle with a disengageable rigid connection between the handle and club section, the connection being preferably small with the parts arranged to be substantially rigidly held in place through the action of a spring.

In the accompanying drawing—

Figure 1 is a side view of a complete club disclosing an embodiment of the invention.

Figure 2 is an enlarged fragmentary sectional view through the fastening means, and part of the club and handle shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a sectional view through Figure 2 on line 3—3.

Figure 4 is a side view of the fastener structure shown in Figure 2.

Referring to the accompanying drawing by numerals, 1 indicates a handle provided with a tubular extension 2 coacting with the extension 3 of the club 4. The extension 3 of club 4 in this description will be termed the club section, while the remaining part will be termed the handle, the same being connected to the club section by a fastener herein-after fully described. When the parts are as shown in Figure 1, the entire club is ready for use. When it is desired to remove the club section and substitute a new one, the handle 1 and the club section are both grasped and pushed toward each other with the swinging catch 5 on the under side. As soon as this takes place, the swinging catch will be moved to a disengaged position and drop down by gravity so that the section may be separated and a new club section substituted. The catch or fastening structure includes the catch member 5 which is pivotally mounted at 6 on the block 7, which block is welded, riveted, or otherwise rigidly secured to the squared tubular extension 8 of the section 2. The catch member 5 is provided with

beveled end 9 which is adapted to strike the link 10 and ride thereover when the parts are being forced together, after which the hook portion 11 slips underneath the link 10 as shown in Figure 2 whereby the parts are properly connected together.

The link 10 is provided with downwardly extending projections 12 riveted, welded, or otherwise rigidly secured to the square hollow portion 14 on section 3, which square hollow portion telescopically fits into the portion 8 so that the spring 15 may act on the club end 16 thereof and on pin 17 for continually urging the club section away from the handle.

When it is desired to remove the club section, the club is preferably held horizontally with the hook member 5 on the underneath. The two parts are then forced toward each other against the action of spring 15 whereupon the catch member 5 will swing downwardly by gravity as shown in Figure 4, and then the sections may be separated. The handle is then turned over, and either the same club section or another club section is inserted and forced into the position shown in Figure 2. After the link 10 passes the catch member 5, it will strike the beveled end 9 and raise the catch member, after which the catch member drops downwardly so that the extension 11 will be in line with the space between the link member 10 and portion 14. The handle is then released and spring 15 will quickly move the parts to the position shown in Figure 2 whereupon the entire club structure is ready for use.

I claim:

1. A golf club including a handle and a club section formed independent of the handle, part of said club section telescoping into part of said handle, a spring carried by said handle for urging said club section away from the handle, a pivotally mounted catch pivotally connected with said handle, said catch having a hook portion and a beveled end and a link fixedly connected with said club section and positioned to interlock with said catch when the parts are in operative position, said beveled end acting to guide the

catch over said link when the parts are being assembled.

2. A golf club including a handle and a club section formed independent of the handle, part of the club section telescoping into part of the handle, a pivotally mounted catch pivotally connected with said handle, said catch having a hook portion, and a link fixedly connected with said club section and positioned to interlock with said catch when the parts are in operative position, said hook having an extension for guiding the hook portion into interlocking relation with the link.

3. A golf club comprising a handle section and a club section, said club section having a stem squared at one end, said handle having a tubular section normally telescoping over the squared part of said club section, said tubular section being square in cross section, a spring carried by said handle section and acting on the club section for urging the club section away from the handle section and a catch structure carried respectively by said sections, said catch structure including a swinging hook and a fixed link, hook and link being on different sections and when engaged acting to prevent said spring from separating the two sections.

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