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[54] **GOLF PUTTER COVER AND TOWEL**

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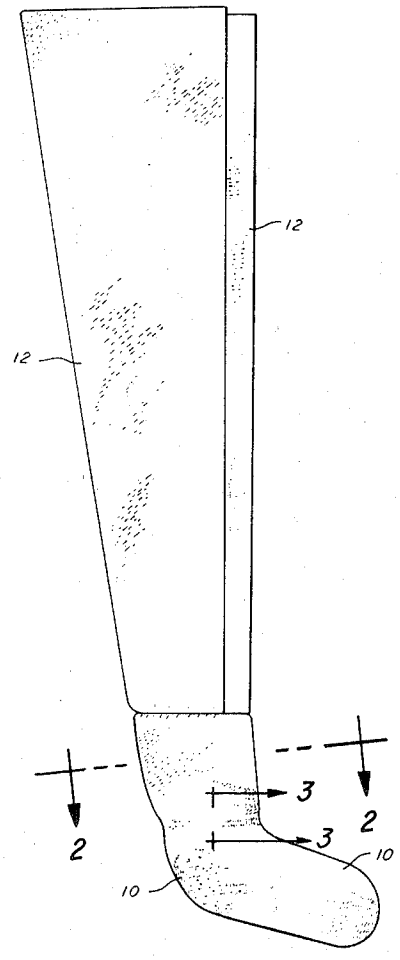
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A boot-like sheath for covering the head of a putter has secured thereto a towel extension for cleaning and wiping a golf ball.

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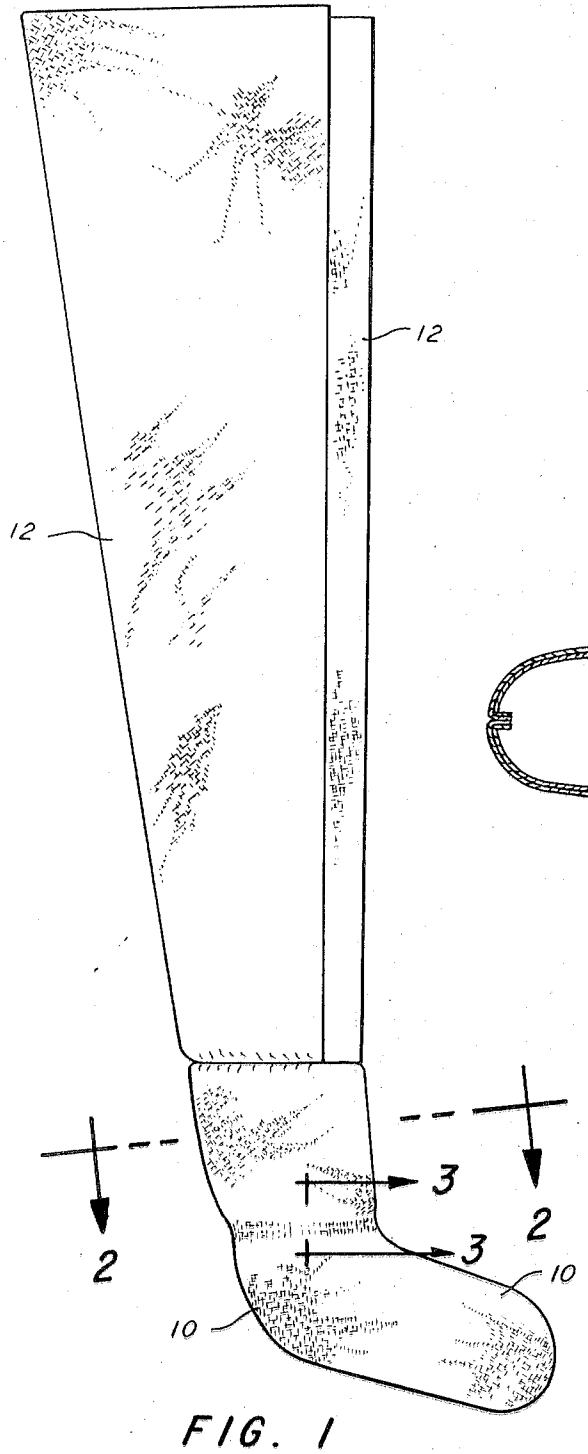


FIG. 1

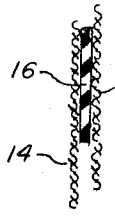


FIG. 3

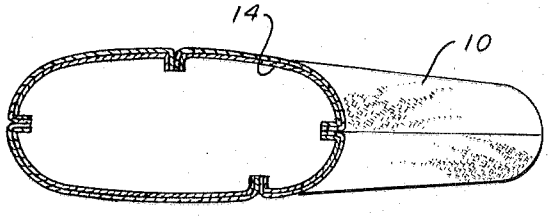


FIG. 2

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GOLF PUTTER COVER AND TOWEL

This is a continuation of application Ser. No. 44,314, filed June 8, 1970, and now abandoned.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to sporting equipment, and more particularly to golfing equipment.

A common practice of golfers is to protect their putters during non-use by covering the same with a soft pliable sheath. It is also a common practice of golfers to attach a towel to their golf bag to use in cleaning their clubs and their golf balls, such as when the golf ball is on the putting green.

The putter covers now being used are frequently lost, since they are a relatively small item and must be removed from and replaced on the putter at each hole. The towels now being used are also frequently lost due to the fact that they are usually either attached to the golf bag, or, for convenience, simply draped over the bag. As the player carries his golf bag over the course, the towel can easily slip from the bag unnoticed.

It is therefore an object of this invention to present a combined golf ball putter cover and towel.

DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

FIG. 1 of the drawing is a cross-sectional view of the combined golf putter and golf towel of this invention.

FIG. 2 of the drawing is a cross-sectional view taken along lines 2—2 of FIG. 1.

FIG. 3 of the drawing is a cross-sectional view taken along lines 3—3 of FIG. 1.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Looking now at FIG. 1, the golf putter cover of this invention includes a boot-shaped sheath **10** having suitably secured, such as by sewing about the peripheral edge of the leg portion thereof a towel means **12.** The sheath and the towel means may be of the same material, such as soft pliant absorbant Terry cloth, or may be of different materials.

Looking now at FIG. 2, in some instances the boot-shaped sheath **10** can include an inner lining **14** of soft material for further protection of the putter head and, as can be seen in FIG. **3,** can also include an elastic band **16** for aiding in the retention of the putter sheath on the putter head.

Towel means **12** may be of any suitable length; for instance, the length thereof may be substantially equal to that of the shank of the putter so as to also offer protection for the shank. For ease of inserting the sheath over the putter end and removing it therefrom, towel means **12** is not secured around the entire peripheral edge of the leg portion of sheath **10.**

In operation, the golfer puts the combined golf putter cover and towel over the head of the golf putter and inserts the putter in his golf bag. Upon reaching the green with the golf ball, the golfer then removes the combined putter cover and towel from the putter and uses the towel to clean the golf ball as needed. As will be appreciated, the combination of the putter cover and the towel helps to prevent the loss of both items, and insures that a towel means is available each time cleaning of the ball is needed, without requiring the golfer to return to the golf bag.

In the detailed description of the preferred embodiment, specific language has been used for the sake of clarity. However, it is to be understood that the words used are not words of limitation and include all equivalents which operate in a similar manner to produce a similar purpose. For example, the towel extension, although described as being secured to the leg portion of the sheath, could obviously be secured to other parts thereof.

What is claimed is:

1. A combined gold putter head cover and towel comprising:

a sheath portion having a peripheral edge defining an opening, said sheath substantially encapsulating the head of said putter; a towel of pliable, absorbent material, means for attaching one end of said towel partially around said peripheral edge to provide a slit along the longitudinal length of said towel.

2. A golf putter as in claim **1** wherein said sheath includes an inner lining and an elastic band for retaining such sheath to said putter.

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent are hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 2, line 33, "gold" should be "golf"

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