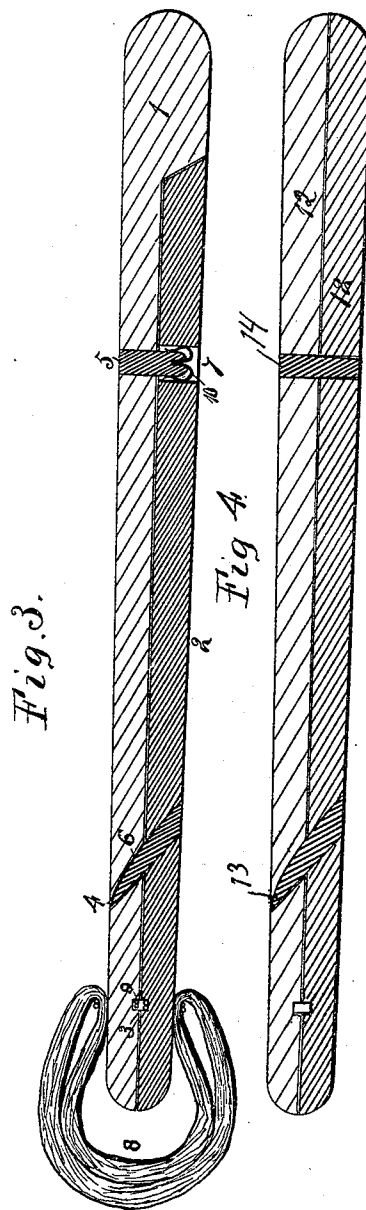
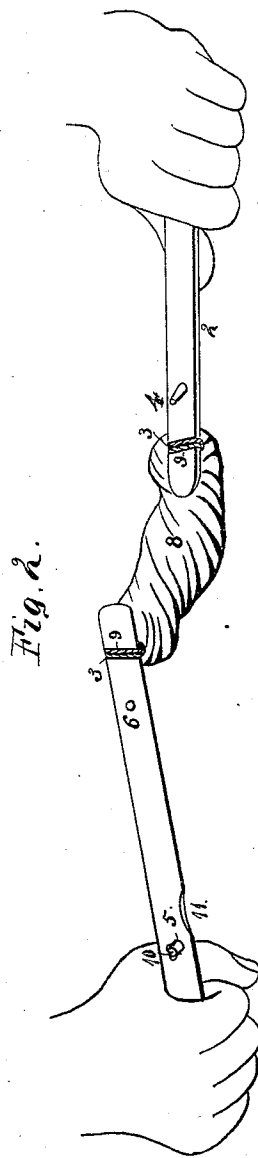
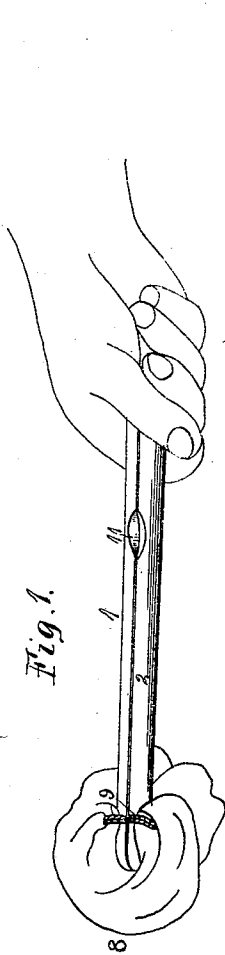


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRIET F. WHEELER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Freeport, in the county of Stephenson and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dish-Mops, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to construct a dish mop in which deep dishes can be washed on the inside without inserting the fingers, and the mop wrung without soiling the fingers or hand, and consists in a two part handle held together when in use by dowel pins and capable of being separated for wringing the mop.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1, is a perspective view of my improved dish mop in its closed position. Fig. 2, is a perspective view in the act of wringing the mop. Fig. 3, is a lengthwise section in its closed position. Fig. 4, is a lengthwise section showing a modification of my improvement, the handle in two halves or cut lengthwise.

The handle in this instance is constructed of wood and is of cylindrical form, consisting of the handle proper 1, and the removable portion 2, each of semi-cylindrical form, their flat faces lying in contact, the free ends of both sections on their flat faces are provided with a groove 3, and from the flat face of the removable section extends an inclined dowel pin 4, and from the flat face of the main portion of the handle extends a dowel pin 5, each of these dowel pins entering holes 6 and 7 respectively. To the lower end of the sections is secured a dish cloth 8, by a cord 9, lying in the grooves 3, and passing around the cloth as shown at Fig. 3. To the end of the dowel pin 5, is secured a spring 10, which, when the detachable section of the handle is in its closed position will press against the walls of the opening 7, holding the parts together.

In use the detachable section of the handle is held in its closed position by the inclined dowel pin 4, and the spring 10, which will allow the flat faces to lie in contact producing

a smooth exterior surface. The notches 3, allow the cord to lie flush with the flat faces of the sections. The cloth is gathered around the free ends of the handle in the form of a ball as shown at Fig. 1, and in such position is ready for use. By separating the removable portion of the handle from the main portion, a section may be taken in each hand, and one or both revolved or twisted in opposite directions which will twist the cloth after a wringing fashion as shown at Fig. 2, squeezing the water therefrom. The removable section of the handle may again be placed in position for use and the operation repeated.

I have cut away a portion of the meeting faces of the sections as shown at 11, in order that the section may be easily separated by the use of the thumb.

The dowel pins prevent the sidewise separation of the sections of the handles.

At Fig. 4, I have shown a modification of my improvements in which the handle portion is composed of two like halves 12, connected by an inclined dowel pin 13, and a transverse dowel pin 14, the front ends of the halves being provided with the transverse grooves 15, for securing the cloth in position.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a dish mop, the combination of two sections, a spring secured to one section engaging the other section, and a dish cloth connected to one end of each of the sections.

2. In a dish mop the combination of a main handle, a removable portion connected to the main portion by an inclined dowel pin, and a dish cloth connected to one end of each of the sections.

3. In a dish mop the combination of a main handle, a removable portion connected to the main portion by an inclined dowel pin, and a spring secured to one of the sections engaging the other section, and a dish cloth connected to one end of each of the sections.

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