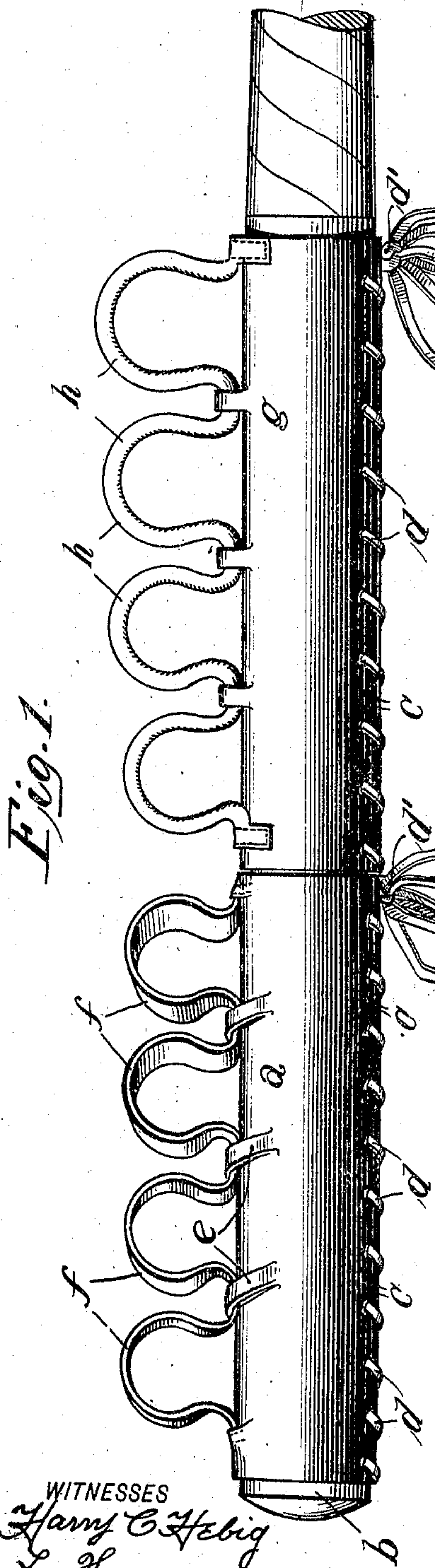


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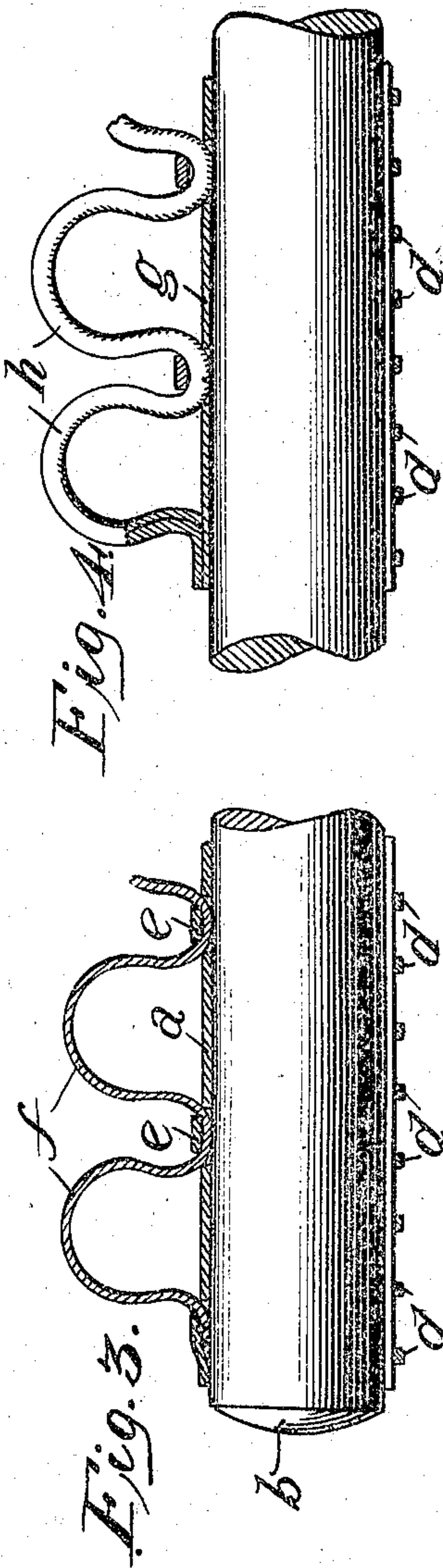


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM R. ORTHWEIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Golf-Clubs, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to improvements in clubs, sticks and the like, and particularly to sticks used in games for striking a ball or like object, as in the games of golf, hockey, polo, etc.; and an object of my invention is to provide a stick of this character with means for giving the player a firm grip upon the stick and for keeping the hands in the same relative position during play.

In the drawings illustrating the principle of my invention and the best mode now known to me of applying that principle, Figure 1 is an elevation of the upper end of a golf club embodying my invention; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same; and Figs. 3 and 4 are sectional details hereinafter referred to.

Two separate hand-holds or grips are provided, one for the fingers of each hand. The upper hand-hold is made up of a body-portion *a* which is wrapped around the upper end of the golf club *b* and both edges of which (only one edge being shown in the figure) are formed with eyes *c* through which is threaded a lace *d* in the same manner as in an ordinary lace shoe. The ends of the lace *d* are tied together, as indicated at *d'* in Fig.

1. By slitting the body portion *a*, it is provided with integral straps or bands *e* beneath which is passed a strip of leather or other suitable flexible material the ends of which are anchored or secured to the body portion, as by stitching, and the portion of which intermediate the ends is formed into finger loops *f*. The lower hand-hold or grip *g* is secured by lacing to the golf club in a manner entirely similar to the upper hand-hold and is provided with a series of finger loops *h*.

It will be obvious that the grips may be

used with clubs of different sizes and are readily removable for purposes of repair and replacement, when worn. Any suitable material, such as leather or fabric, may be used.

I claim:

1. A stick of the character described having secured thereto a plurality of finger loops each of which is of a size and shape adapting it to fit snugly a finger of the player.

2. A stick of the character described having secured thereto a hand-hold provided with a plurality of finger loops each of which is of a size and shape adapting it to fit snugly a finger of the player.

3. A stick of the character described having a hand-hold provided with finger loops and lacing for holding said hand-hold in place.

4. A stick of the character described having secured thereto two series of finger loops, one for each hand; said loops serving to maintain the hands of the player in the same relative position.

5. A stick of the character described having secured thereto a hand-hold provided with a strip formed into a series of loops each of a size and shape adapting it to fit snugly a finger of the player.

6. A stick of the character described having a hand-hold and a lacing which secures said hand-hold in place; said lacing serving to adapt the hand-hold to different sizes of sticks and enabling the hand-hold to be readily removed therefrom.

7. A stick of the character described having secured thereto a pair of hand-holds each of which is provided with a strip for holding the fingers.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twenty third day of February, A. D. 1907, at said St. Louis in the presence of the two witnesses undersigned.

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