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COMPOUND FOR ASSISTING IN EFFECTING A HAND GRASP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANTHONY T. JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mineola, in the county of Nassau and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Compound for Assisting in Effecting a Hand Grasp; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in compounds and more particularly to that class adapted to be used in connection with the handles of golf sticks, tennis rackets, and similar instruments, and my object is to provide a preparation of this class, whereby when it is applied to the gripping surface of the handles, said handles will be prevented from turning or twisting in the hand.

The compound is prepared in the following manner and in the proportions stated, to wit: To one ounce of glycerin add 10 grains powdered rosin and thoroughly mix the two ingredients together, after which the compound is left standing twenty-four hours before using, the ingredients to be mixed together while in a cold state. The prepara-

tion is then applied to the handle portion of the instrument, and as said instruments are usually covered with leather or buckskin, it will be readily seen that the preparation will be absorbed by the leather, the rosin causing an adhesion between the hand of the user and the handle, thereby preventing the handle from twisting in the hand. This preparation further serves as a moistener that keeps the hands from becoming sore, insures an easy compact grasp, and preserves the leather. This preparation can be quickly applied and its properties are lasting.

What I claim is:

1. A compound consisting of glycerin and powdered rosin thoroughly mixed while in a cold state and substantially in the proportions specified.

2. A compound consisting of a mixture of glycerin and rosin.

3. A compound consisting of a mixture of one ounce of glycerin and ten grains of rosin.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

ANTHONY THOMAS JOHNSON.

Witnesses:

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