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Dear Alick,

Once in a while I come across an unidentified cleek-maker's mark. May I ask for your help in trying to identify them? You will find them on the enclosed sheet.

I am particularly interested in the Tong mark.

The putter that I found it on must be some 100 years old. It has a blackthorn shaft, a smooth face and no other marks than what it says on the sheet.

I am still waiting for your book on cleek-marks.

How far is it?

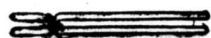
Looking forward to your reply and thanking you in advance for your help I am, with kind regards

*Yours very faithfully
Steven*

Steven J.H. van Hengel

Enclosure

UNIDENTIFIED CLEEK-MAKER'S MARKS



'Tong Brand' (Putting Cleek)



F.O.R.D.



LEFT-FACED MASHIE



H.E. Gregory
Special

'THE CHICK'
warranted hand forged
Made in Scotland

Children's clubs

Mr Steven Van Hengel,

4-1-84

Dear Steven, (If I may be so bold!)

Many thanks for your letter and enclosure of 14th Dec. It is with apologies I reply; I should have done it sooner, but having spent a bit of time in Scotland (doing some recordings with George Colville of Musselburgh, and the brothers Collie, old clubmakers of North Berwick) also now penning a few articles for Golf Monthly, I've been pretty tied up. Hopefully you'll excuse me, just as I ask your tolerance re: the book of cleft-marks. This is nearly completed as far as the details are concerned, and the writing is being vetted, but I still require a good

artist who will make a nice job
of the marks. Hopefully, I am to get
it out for July, before the Open Champion-
ship.

Regarding the cleeck-marks you sent me,
I return them with as much details
as I have: - I hope it helps.

I'm pleased to see you have an iron
with the 'Tong' mark - there's not many
about.

Hoping you will be visiting this country
again soon, and particularly at the
"Open", I look forward to another chat.

I head for North Berwick, Gullane
and St Andrews next week, it's great
fun "ferreting" around.

Wishing you a Healthy & Happy
1984; and do write whenever you feel
inclined. Yours very sincerely
Dick