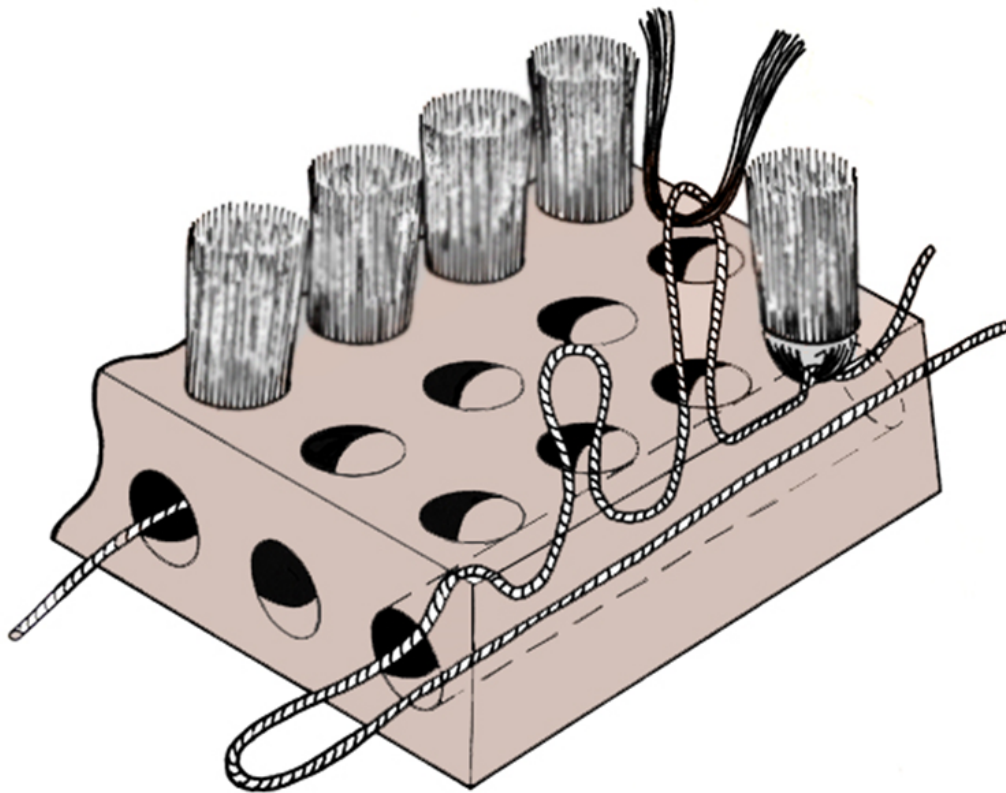


# Figure 5 Trepanned Bristle Attachment



After bristle holes were drilled part way through the front of the stock, a tunnel was bored from the front to the back of the stock. This tunnel intersected the bristle holes. Linen or silk thread or even wire was run through the trepanned tunnel and used to gather and secure the bristles. The stocks of trepanned brushes have a smooth back. The trepanning holes at the finished end of the stock were then filled with wax or cement (Mattick 2010).