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Fig. 1.

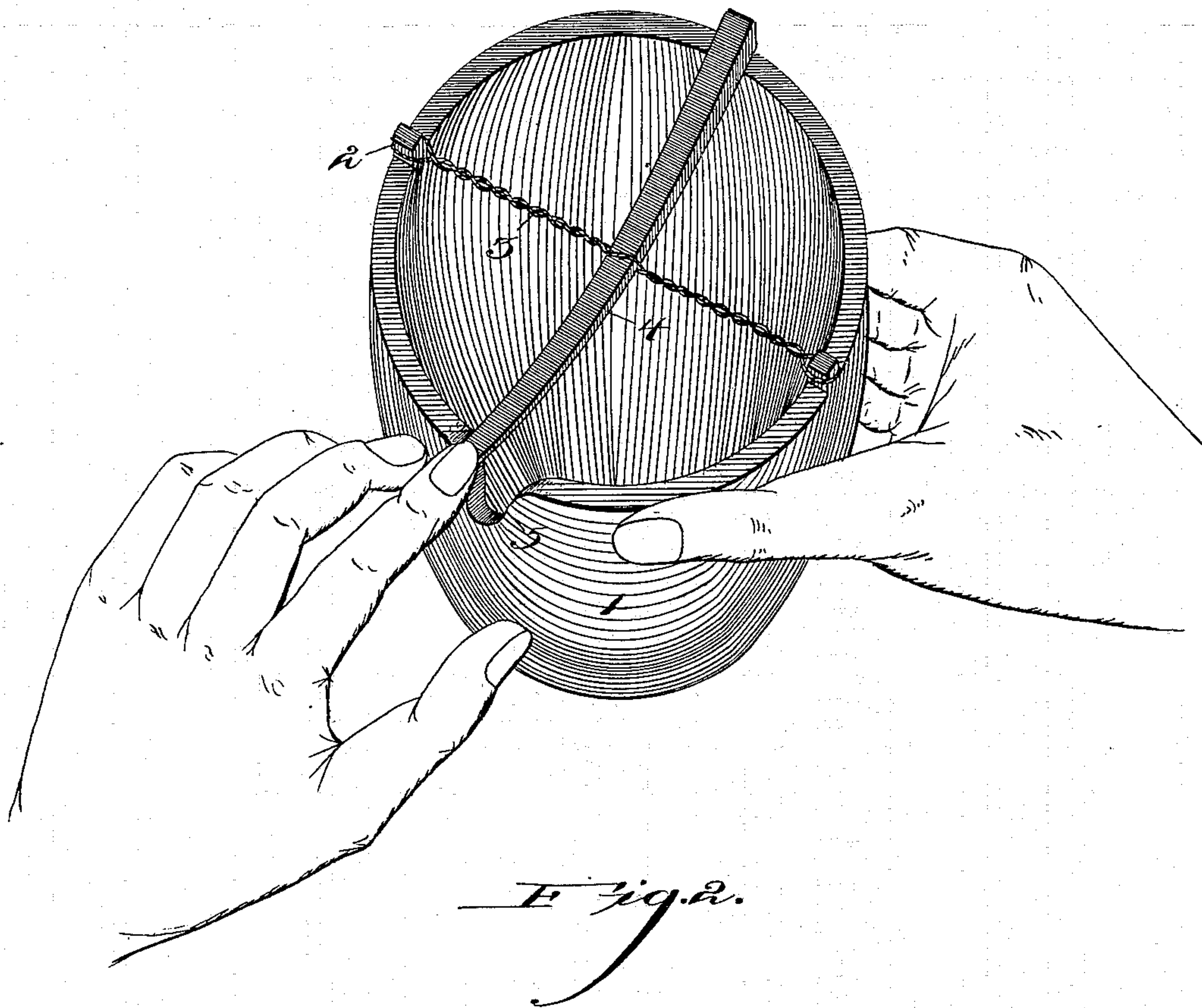
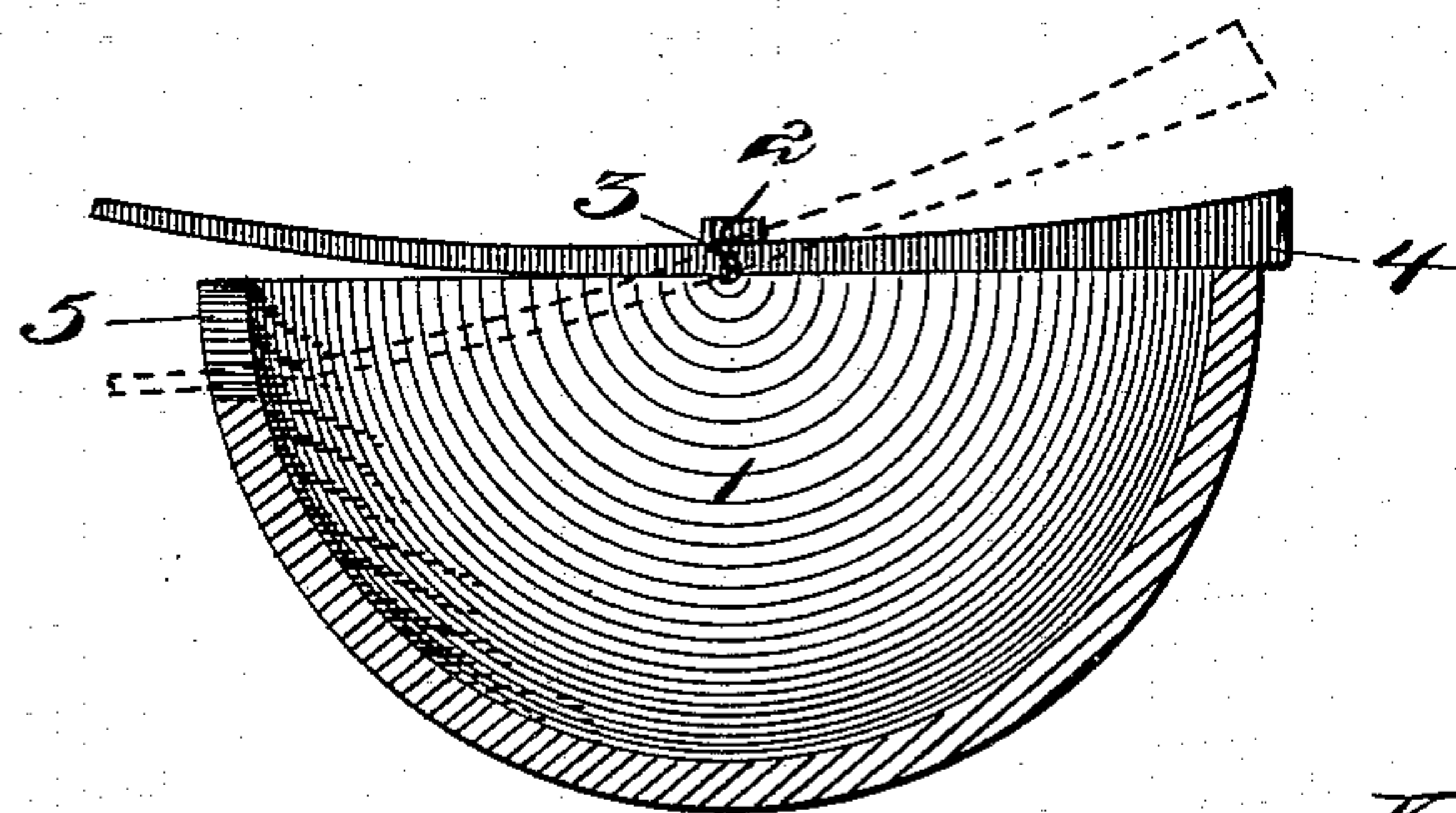


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VICTOR SEKINGER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Jeannette, in the county of Westmoreland and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sounding Toys, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

10 This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in musical toys, and has for its object to construct a toy which will produce a musical sound and is designed especially to amuse children.

15 With the above and other objects in view the invention finally consists in the novel construction, combination, and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more specifically described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

20 In describing the invention in detail reference is had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification and wherein like figures of reference indicate similar parts throughout both views, in which—

25 Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved toy. Fig. 2 is a sectional view of the same.

Referring to the drawings, 1 designates the 30 body portion, which is the half of a hollow sphere and is provided diametrically opposite with lugs 2, to which is secured a cord 3. Said cord 3 is doubled and twisted, as shown in Fig. 1, and engages and holds in position

35 a bar 4, one end of which is somewhat heavier than the other. Said body portion is provided with a cut-away portion 5 to permit the bar to be operated.

40 The operation and construction are as follows: The cord is secured to the lugs 2, when

the bar 4 is placed between the two parts of the cord and is twisted until a tension is produced to hold the bar normally against the edge of the body portion and to produce a sound. One end of the bar is forced down 45 into the cut-away portion 5 and then released. When the bar 4 comes in contact with the body portion, a sound is produced.

The hollow hemispherical wooden body is peculiarly adapted to reinforce and make 50 resonant the sounds caused by impact of the bar. Furthermore, the structure is the strongest possible, because the integral lugs take the strain of the twisted string and are themselves supported and braced apart by 55 the two arcs formed by the edges of the hemispherical body, which edges, it will be seen, lie substantially in the plane of the strain.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters 60 Patent, is—

In a musical instrument consisting of a hollow hemispherical wooden body portion and provided with a cut-away portion in the edge of one side, lugs formed integral with 65 said body portion and being diametrically opposite each other, a twisted cord engaging said lugs and carrying a bar, said cord normally holding the bar in engagement with the edge of the body portion, and to return the 70 same when one end is depressed into the cut-away portion, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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