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Fig. 1.

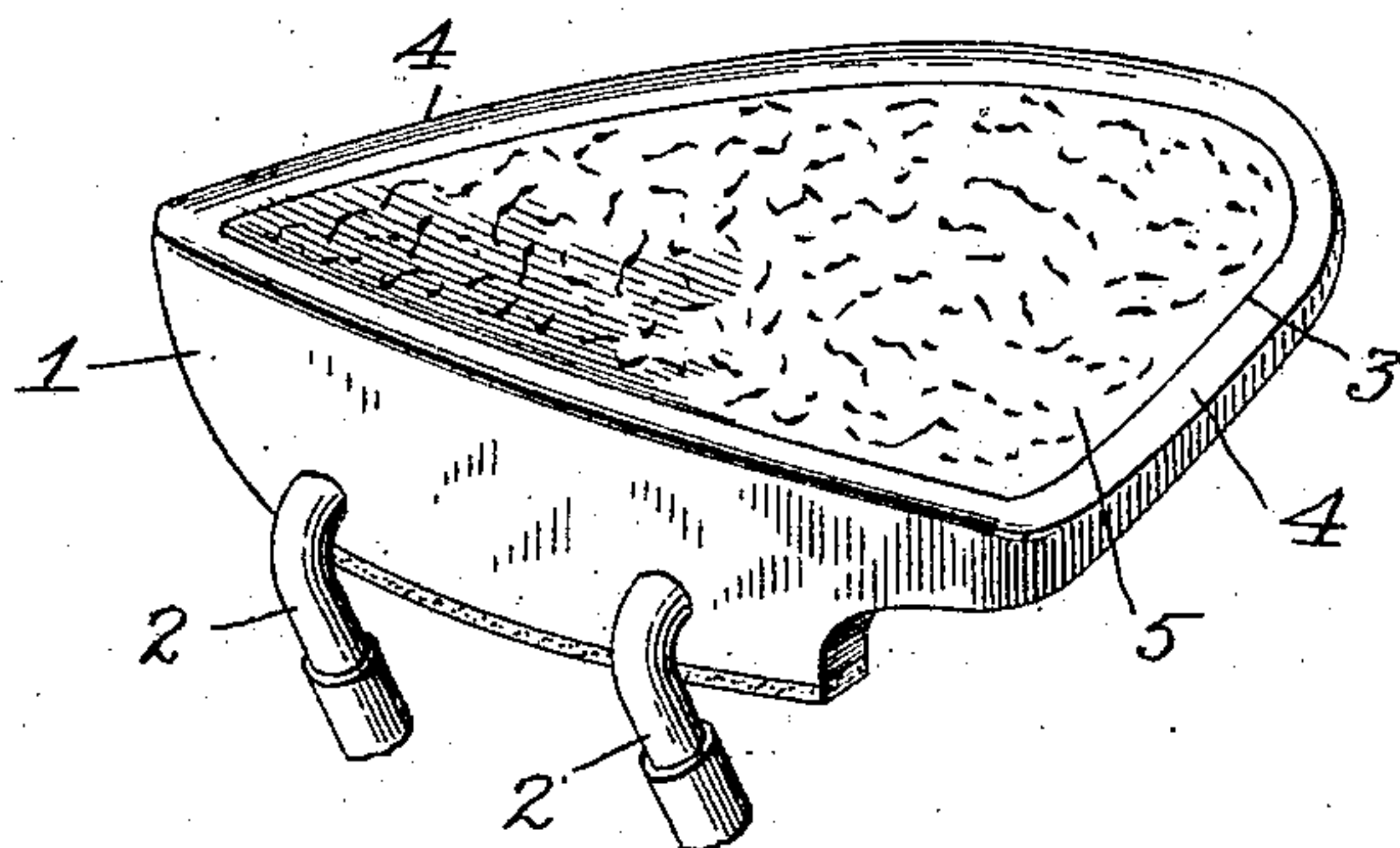


Fig. 2.

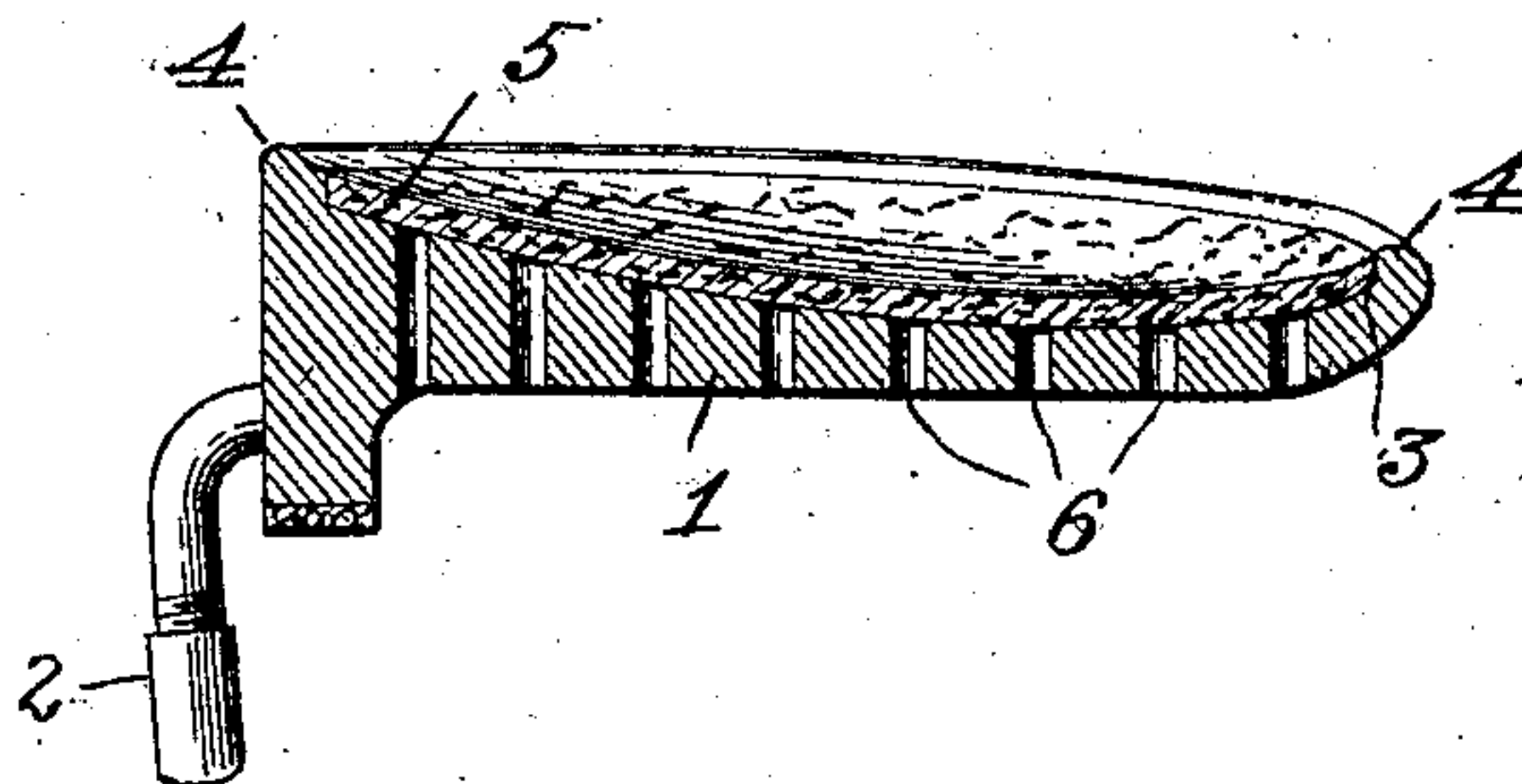
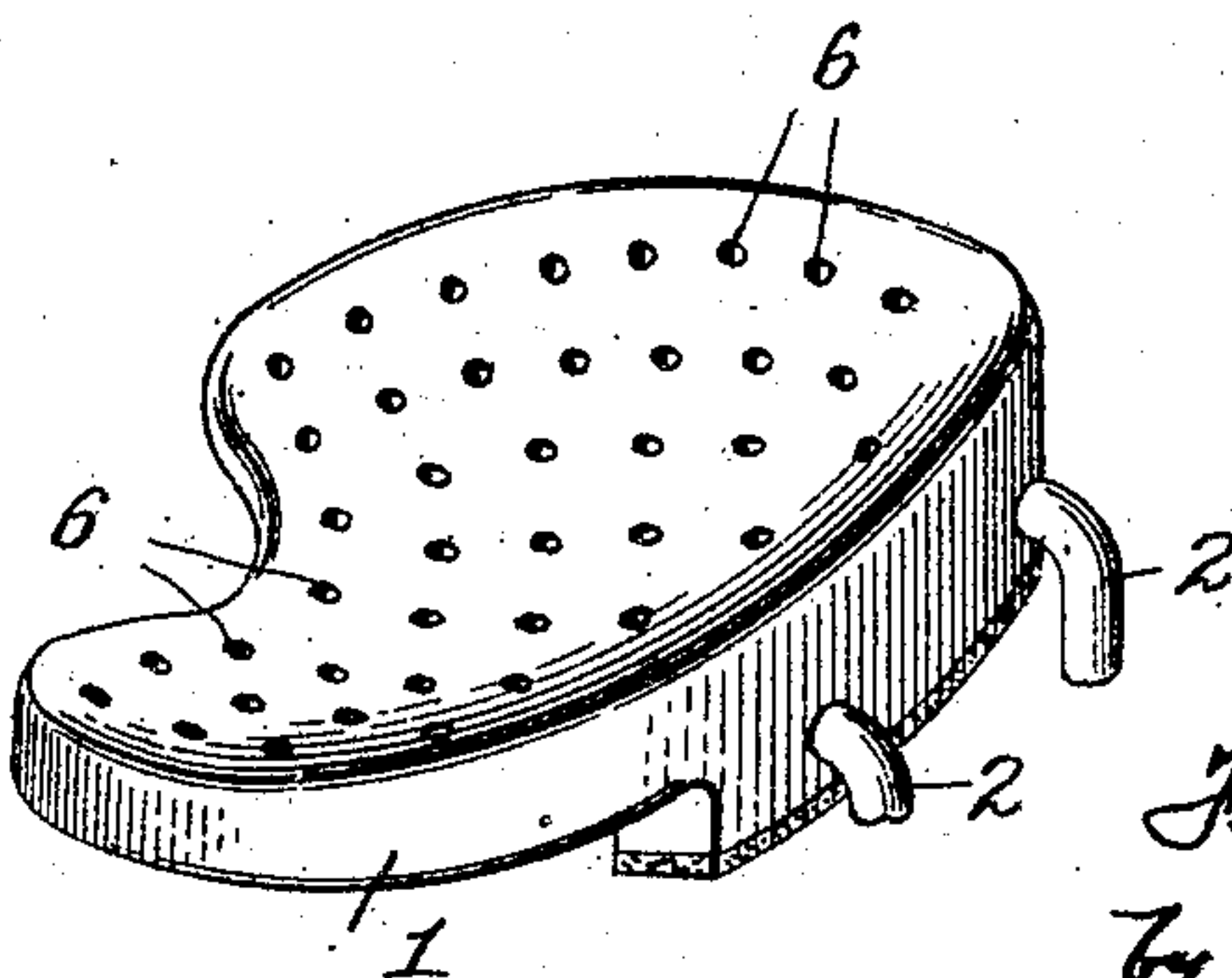


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK W. BECKER, a citizen of the United States, residing in the borough of Manhattan, city of New York, State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Violin Chin-Rest Plates, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to chin-rests for violins, and has for its objects, first, to provide an improved construction of the same whereby a porous absorbent antislipping surface will be presented to the chin of the user, and, secondly, to provide means for ventilating said plate. These objects I accomplish in the manner and by the means hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a violin chin-rest plate embodying my improved construction. Fig. 2 is a central vertical sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a slightly-modified construction.

Similar numerals of reference denote corresponding parts in the several views.

In the said drawings, referring more particularly to Figs. 1 and 2, the reference-numeral 1 denotes the chin-rest plate proper, the same having attached thereto in the usual manner any suitable clamping means 2, the latter being shown broken away. The upper surface of said chin-rest plate 1 is suitably concaved, as shown, to fit the configuration of the chin of the user and is recessed at 3 throughout said surface and to within about one-eighth of an inch of the edge thereof, leaving an annular rim 4, as shown. Seated within this recess 3 is a layer 5 of moisture-absorbent antislipping material, preferably cork, the same being of a thickness to lie flush with edge 4, thus forming a smooth un-

broken top surface. The whole body of said chin-rest plate lying beneath said layer 5 is provided with a series of small apertures or holes 6, as shown in Fig. 2.

From the above description it will be understood that the layer 5 not only provides a moisture-absorbent surface for the chin of the user, but also provides a slightly-yielding antislipping surface, while the apertures 6 serve to ventilate the under side of said layer 5 without in any way interfering with its functions.

In Fig. 3 I have illustrated a modified construction wherein the recess 3 and layer 5 are dispensed with, the apertures or holes 6 alone being employed. With this construction the apertures or holes 6 serve not only to prevent slipping, but also act to admit air to the chin of the user.

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

1. A violin chin-rest plate, embodying a body portion having a plurality of apertures therethrough from top to bottom, and a covering of yielding absorbent antislipping material on the upper surface of said body portion.

2. A violin chin-rest plate, embodying a body portion having its upper surface recessed and having a plurality of apertures through said recessed portion, and a layer of yielding absorbent antislipping material fixed in and filling said recess.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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