Subject: Re: More on old instruments
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Wayne,The shorter neck and lower pitch was because of the very soft tension strength of pure gut strings used at the time. Todays strings are much stronger and can be made tighter. Tighter means louder, with brighter being a side effct.BTW, I stated todays standad pitch as 450Hz. That was a typo. It should have read "440Hz".Dave