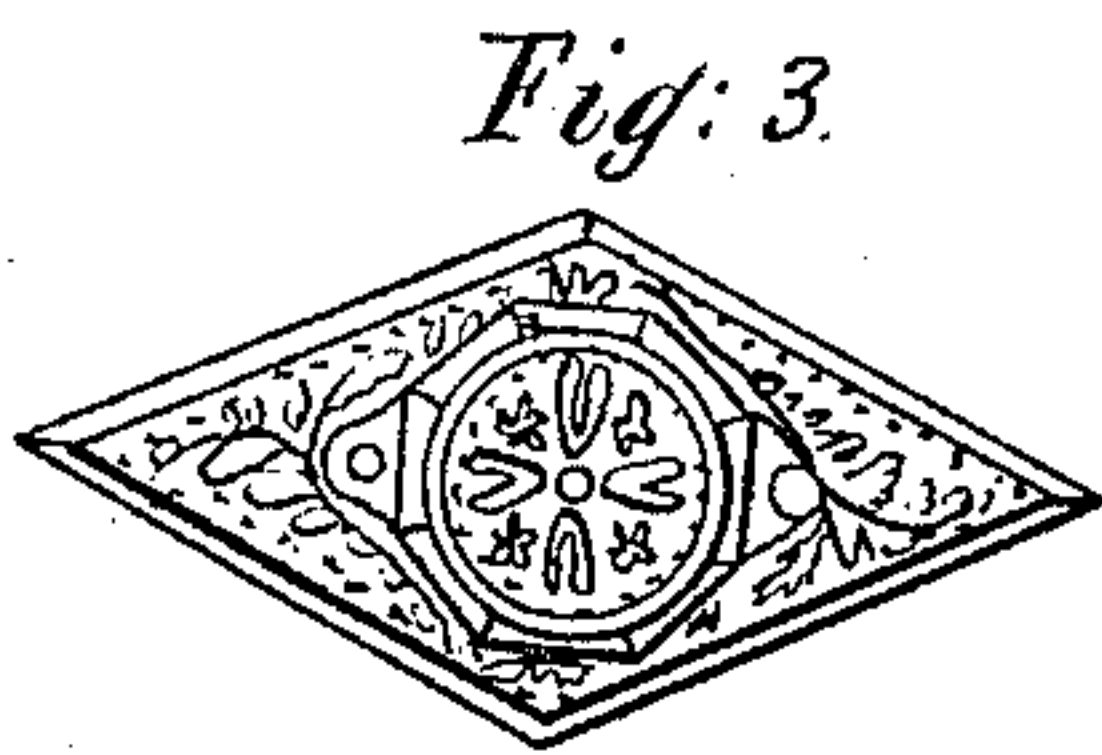
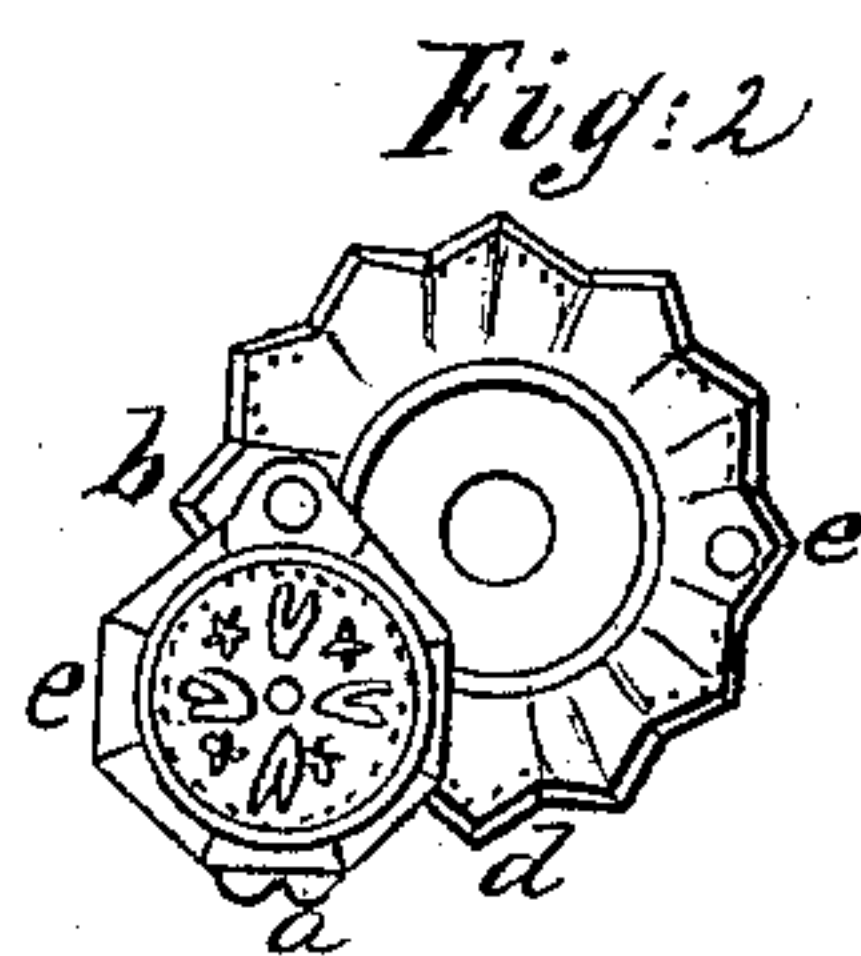
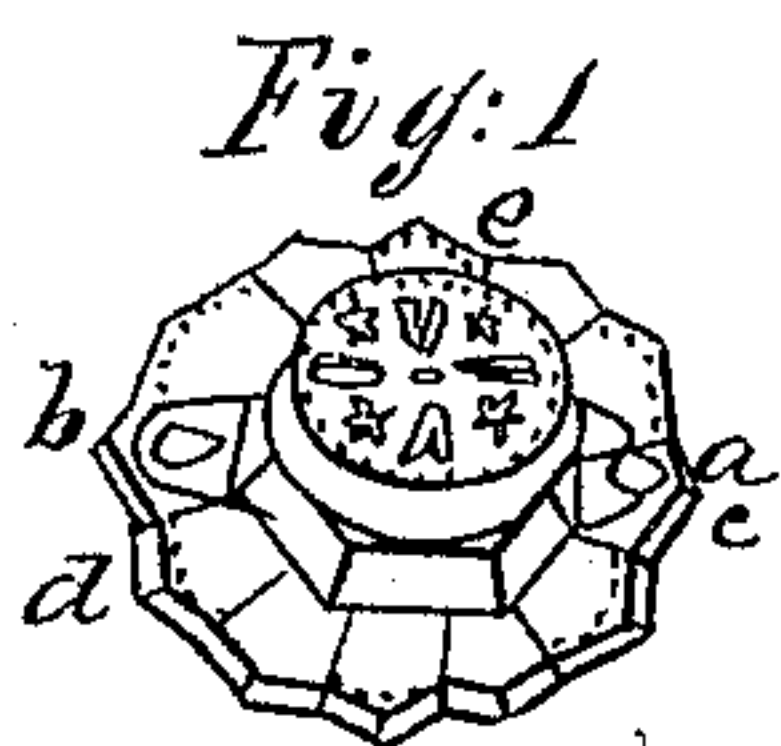


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IMPROVEMENT IN CAPS FOR COFFIN-NAILS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STEPHEN A. BARKER, of the city and county of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Coffin-Trimnings; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a coffin-trimming, with my improvement attached.

Figure 2 represents the same when opened, or with cap turned off.

Figure 3 represents another pattern, with the same improvement attached.

In the accompanying drawing—

d and *e*, fig. 1, represent a well-known coffin-trimming; *d*, the face-plate, and *e*, the cap or cover. *d* is made with a countersunk hole for a screw, the common way of fastening, as shown in fig. 2.

One side of the cap or cover, *e*, is connected to plate *d* by the pivot or pin *b*, so it can be turned, fig. 2.

On the opposite side of *e*, fig. 2, is formed the notched lip *a*, for the purpose of locking *e* to the stud *c*, as shown in figs. 1 and 3.

To use my invention, the cap *e* being flexible when turned to cover the centre of plate *d*, the notch in lip *a* is sprung and clasped to stud *c*, thus locking the cap *e* to its place.

The advantage of my invention is, the notched lip *a* can be used on any-shape cap, as in turning the cap *e*, it describes a circle, the pivot *b* as the centre. The lip *a* is made a suitable width from the plane of cap *e*, on which it is formed, to avoid the interfering of a corner with the stud *c*, which interference would occur if it were not so arranged.

I desire it to be distinctly understood that my invention relates wholly to the mode of attaching the ornamental screw-cap to the main plate.

I therefore claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The improvement in ornamental coffin-trimmings herein described, which consists in providing the screw-cap with a notched lip *a*, arranged to spring vertically into holding-contact with the stud *c* upon the main plate, for the purpose specified.

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