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Burial-Case.

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Fig. 1.

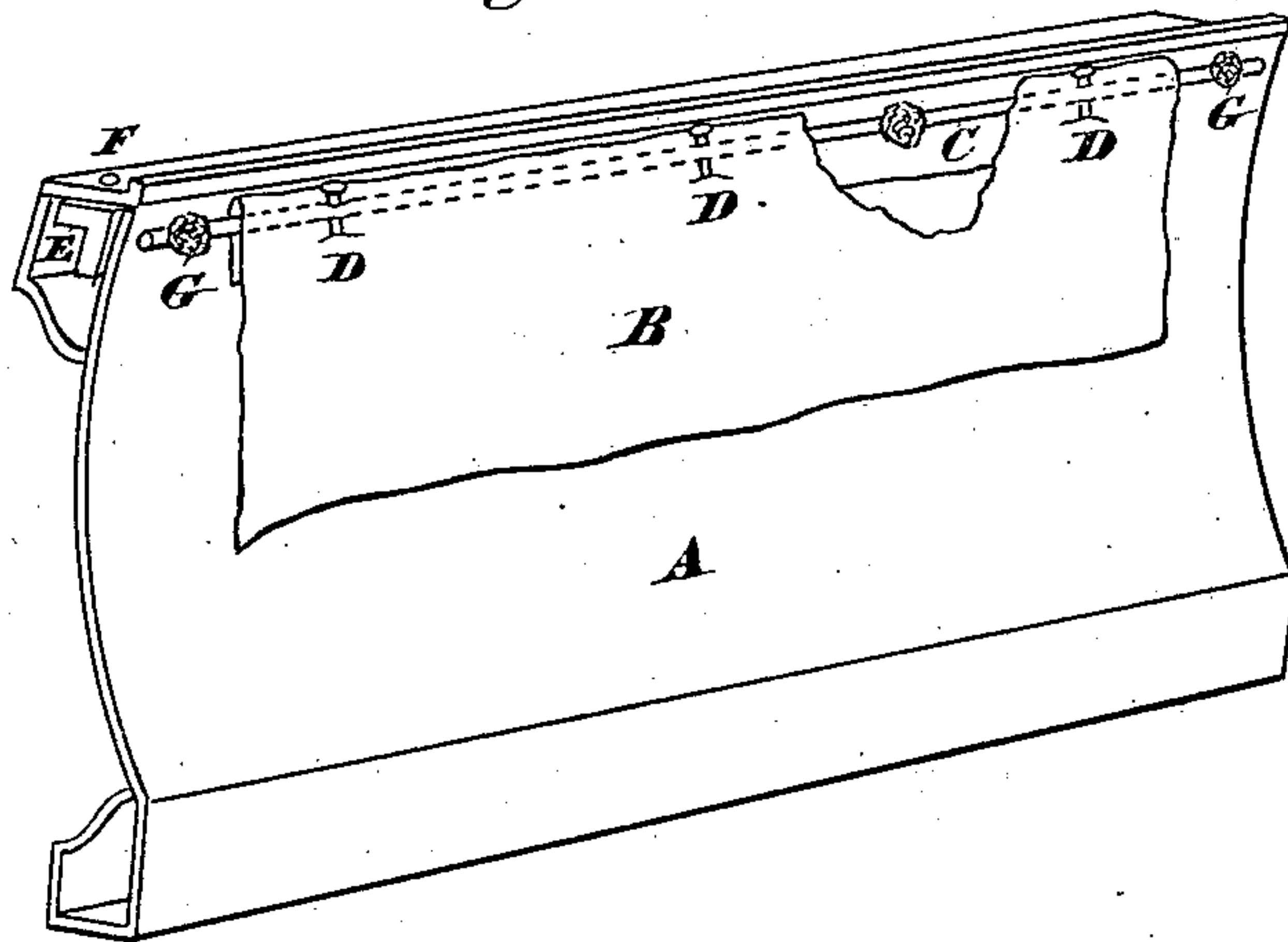
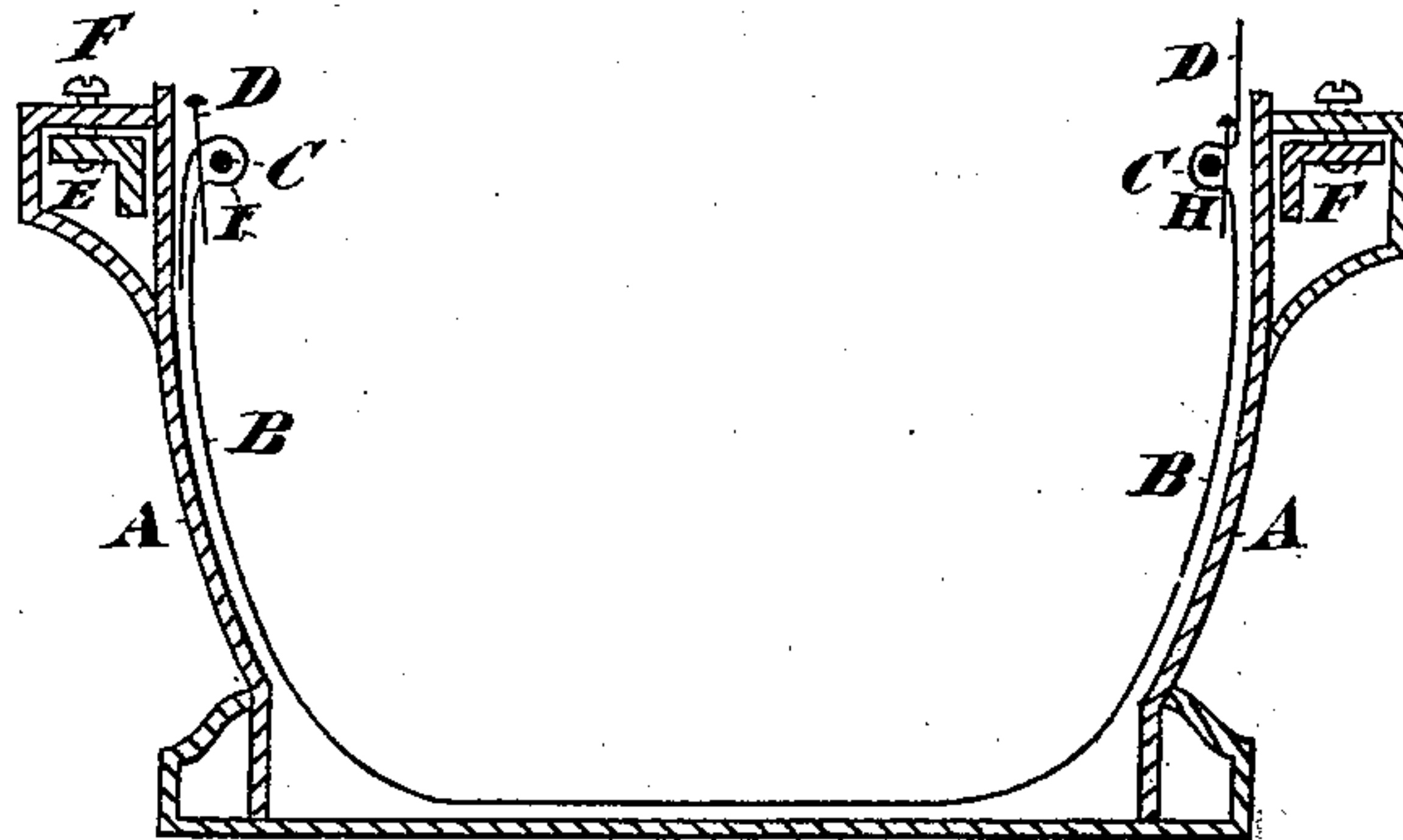


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM PATTERSON, of the city of Louisville, in the county of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in the Manner of Fastening the Lining in Burial-Cases; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a section of one side of the case, showing the wire and manner of fastening the lining thereto. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the case, taken near the center, showing the wire, the lining, and pins by which it is fastened.

This my invention relates to a certain new and useful improvement in the manner of fastening the lining in burial-cases, consisting, first, in a small wire secured at intervals to the inside of the case, near the top thereof, in such a manner as to spring out sufficiently to permit a pin to pass between it and the case. The lining is then laid against the wire and pins are inserted, passing behind the wire and through the parts of the lining, as shown, or through both parts of the lining when turned down behind the wire without passing behind it.

The object of this my invention is to provide a means of fastening the lining in burial-cases that will be neat, cheap, and easily accomplished, and at the same time be easily removed without damage when it becomes necessary to change it, which is frequently the case, but which cannot be done under the ordinary process of fastening without greatly damaging the material, and in many instances rendering the material almost worthless; but by the use of this my invention no damage is sustained and much time saved.

This my invention will be more fully illustrated in detail, in perspective views, Fig. 1, and sectional view, Fig. 2, of the drawings, in which A represents the body of the case, which is made of metal and in any of the known forms. C is a small wire, secured at intervals by means of solder to the inside of the case, near

the top, in such a manner as to permit it to spring out sufficiently to admit a common pin between it and the case. B is the lining, which may consist of any suitable material, and is put in the case somewhat as shown, and secured to the wire C by first laying it up against the wire and inserting pins through it and back of the wire, as shown at H, Fig. 2, when the edge is afterward turned down over the back of the wire, as shown at I, Fig. 2; or it may be fastened by turning the edge of the lining over the back of the wire and inserting pins through both parts below and in front of the wire, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. D D are the pins by which the lining is secured to the wire. E is the angle-bar, to which the lid secured. F F are the screws, and G G is the solder that holds the wire C in its place around the entire inner edge of the case, as described.

I am aware that many devices have been adopted for fastening the lining in burial-cases, such as wooden bars, to which it is glued or tacked, or metal bars, to which it is clamped or otherwise fastened; but all such devices have proved a failure or unsatisfactory, being too costly and liable to damage the lining in case it has to be changed; but so far as I am aware the wire-and-pin fastening adopted by me has never before been known or used. Therefore I make no claim to any of the above-named devices now in common use. Nor do I claim as my invention anything embodied in Patent No. 93,832, or any others having wooden or metallic bars or bands secured to the sides of the case by means of screws or otherwise; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent in burial-cases or coffins, is—

In combination with the metal sides of a coffin, the wire C, secured at intervals by solder, and serving for the attachment of the lining by means of pins D D, all arranged substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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