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BURIAL CASKET.

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Fig:1.

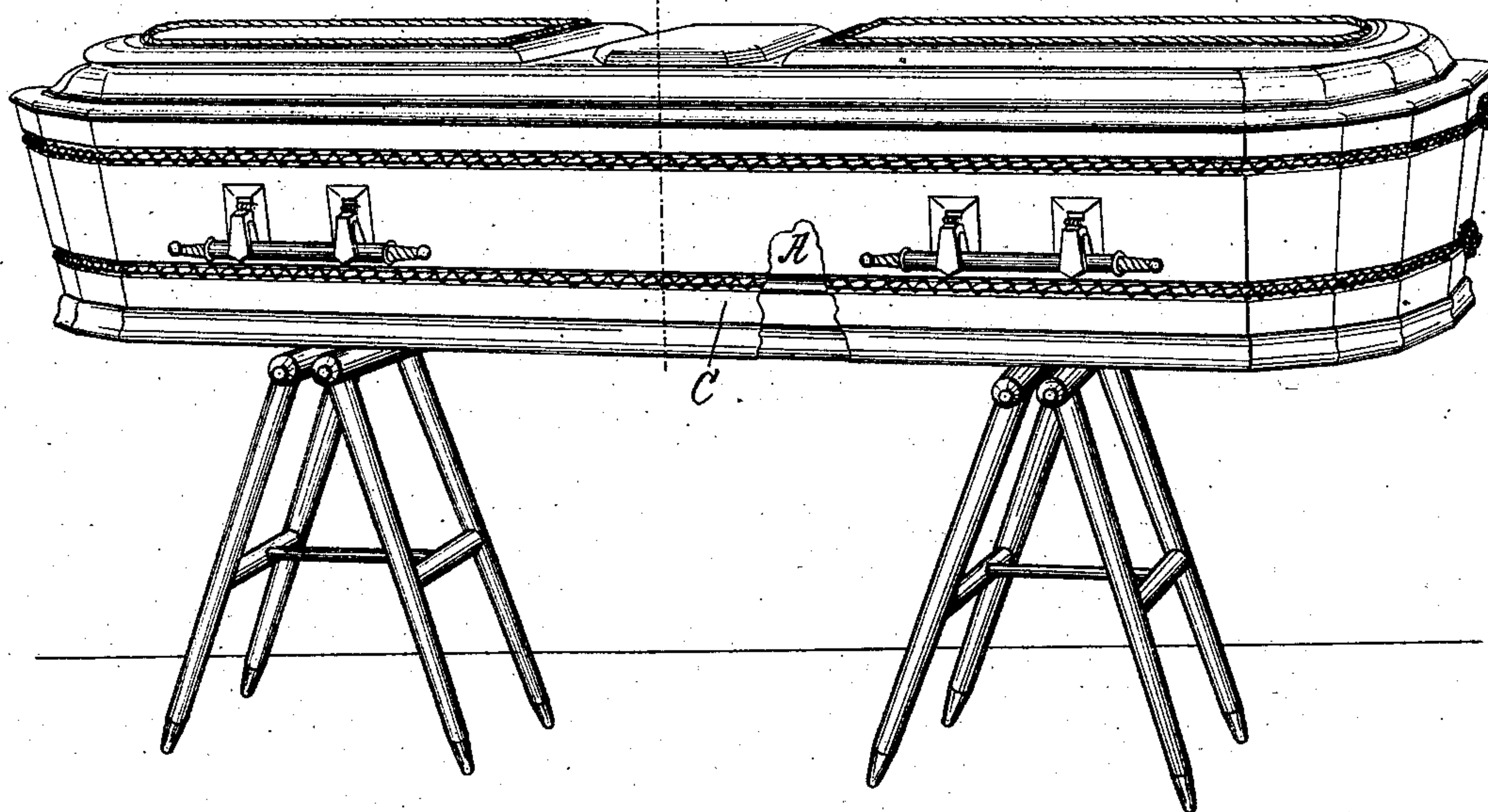
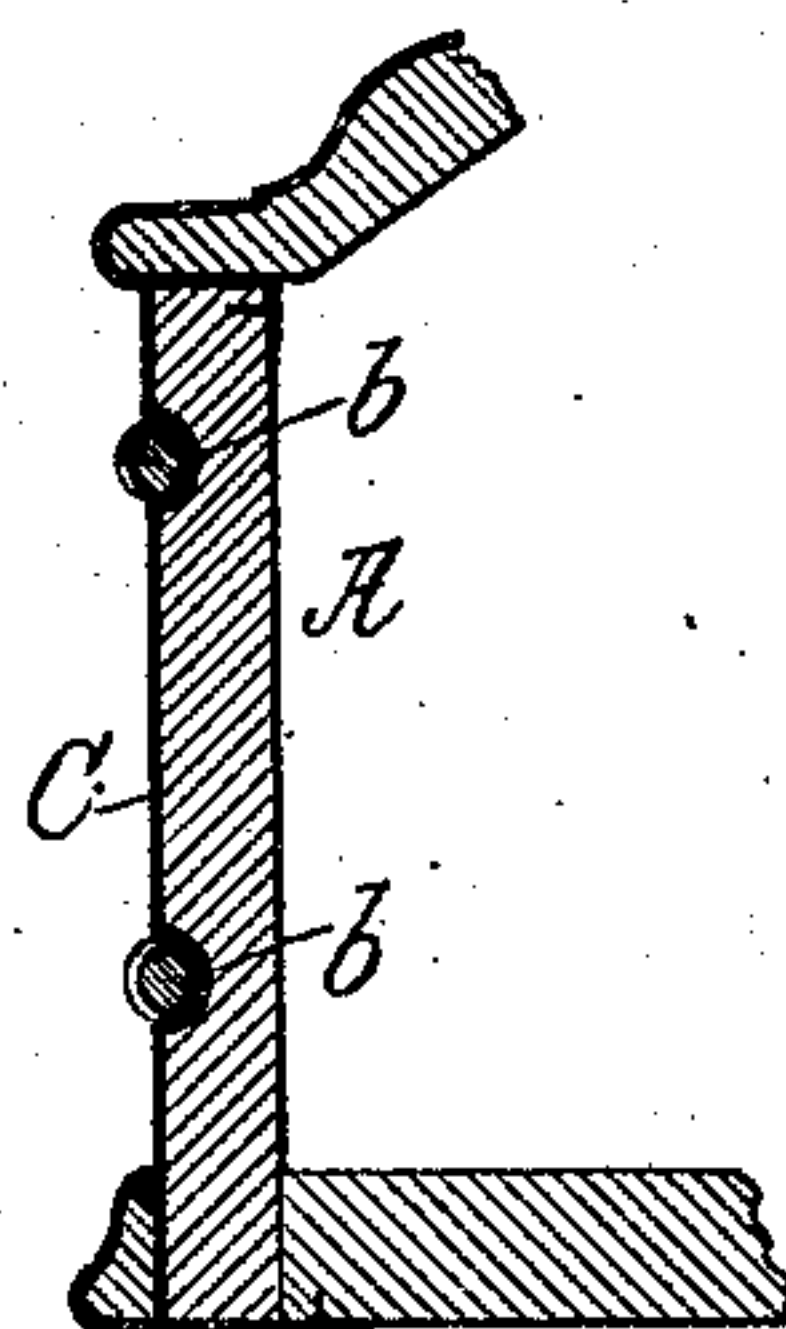


Fig:2.



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BURIAL-CASKET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN A. FIELD, of Everett, county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Caskets, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings representing like parts.

This invention in caskets has for its object improvements in the manner of applying ornamental cords upon the body of a cloth-covered casket, whereby the use of nails or tacks may be obviated and the cloth be kept in shape.

The invention herein contained consists in a casket provided externally with one or more grooves, and covered with a flexible material or cloth, combined with heavy ornamental cords, which aid in holding the said covering in the said grooves, the latter preventing the cords from vertical movement and obviating the employment of tacks or nails, which would be necessary to hold the cord if the grooves were omitted.

Figure 1, in side elevation, represents a casket constructed in accordance with my invention; and Fig. 2 is a partial section thereof.

The body A of the casket, which latter may be of any suitable or usual shape or size, is provided externally with, as herein shown, two longitudinal grooves, *b*. The cloth covering C is wrapped about the body part A and fastened as usual, and then the cords D, pref-

erably from three-eighths to one-half of an inch in diameter, and preferably of silk, are drawn about the cloth-covered casket, as shown in the drawings, opposite the said grooves, and the ends of the cord are fastened to the said body. The grooves *b* receive and retain the cords and prevent them from moving vertically on the body of the casket, and avoid the driving of nails or tacks into the wood or other material of which the casket is composed. The omission of tacks from the cord enables it to stand out more prominently and uniformly than were tacks used to retain the cords in place.

I claim—

A casket-body provided externally with one or more longitudinal grooves, *b*, and a cloth or flexible covering applied to the said body, combined with cords applied outside the flexible covering and drawn into the said grooves, the said cords being retained by the said grooves from vertical movement on the said body, all substantially as and for the purposes described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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