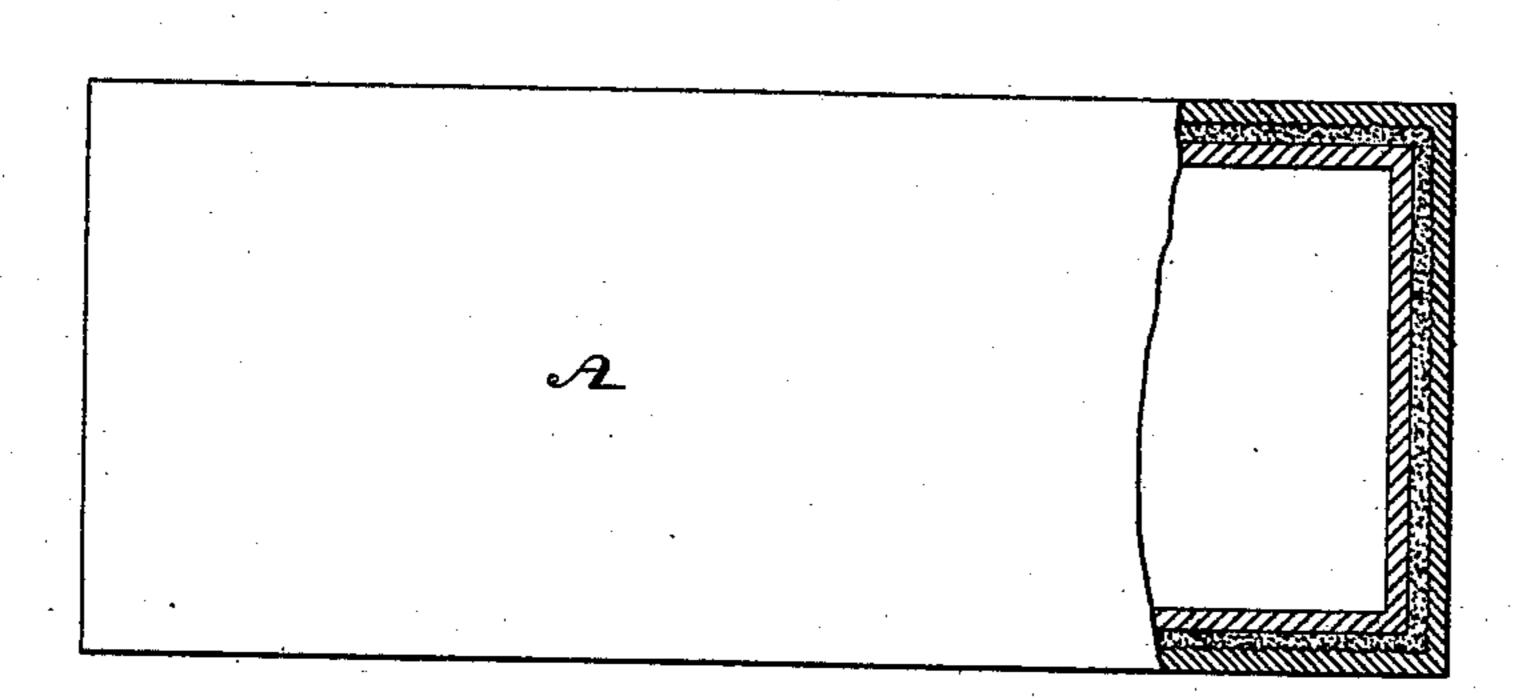
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD S. EARLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Penn-5 sylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Burial Caskets, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawing, in which the figure represents a partial top view and partial horizontal section of a burial casket embodying my invention, this consisting of a burial casket constructed in a light, inexpensive, and durable manner, as will be hereinafter fully set forth and claimed.

Beferring to the drawing, A represents a burial casket of well-known shape, the same being formed, in accordance with my invention, of wood, which is saturated or coated with asphaltum or other similar preservative material, with a sub-coating of cement, artificial stone, or similar material, which is spread over the asphaltum surface, completely cover-

ing the same.

It will be seen that the wood is primarily protected by the asphaltum, and the sub-cov-

ering of cement, artificial stone, &c., produces all of the advantages of a solid mass of cement or natural stone without the weight and expensiveness of the same. The asphaltum also prevents the destructive action of the acid of 30 the cement, &c., on the wood, and thus the latter will be well preserved.

The surface of the asphaltum is roughened or notched, to cause the sub-coating to take firm hold of the same.

I am aware that it is not new to coat a burial-casket with asphaltum; neither is it new to provide a burial-casket with a lining of artificial marble or stone, and such I do not claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I 40 claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

An improved burial case or casket, consisting of a body, A, of wood, with coating of asphaltum and a sub-coating of cement or artificial stone, substantially as described.

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