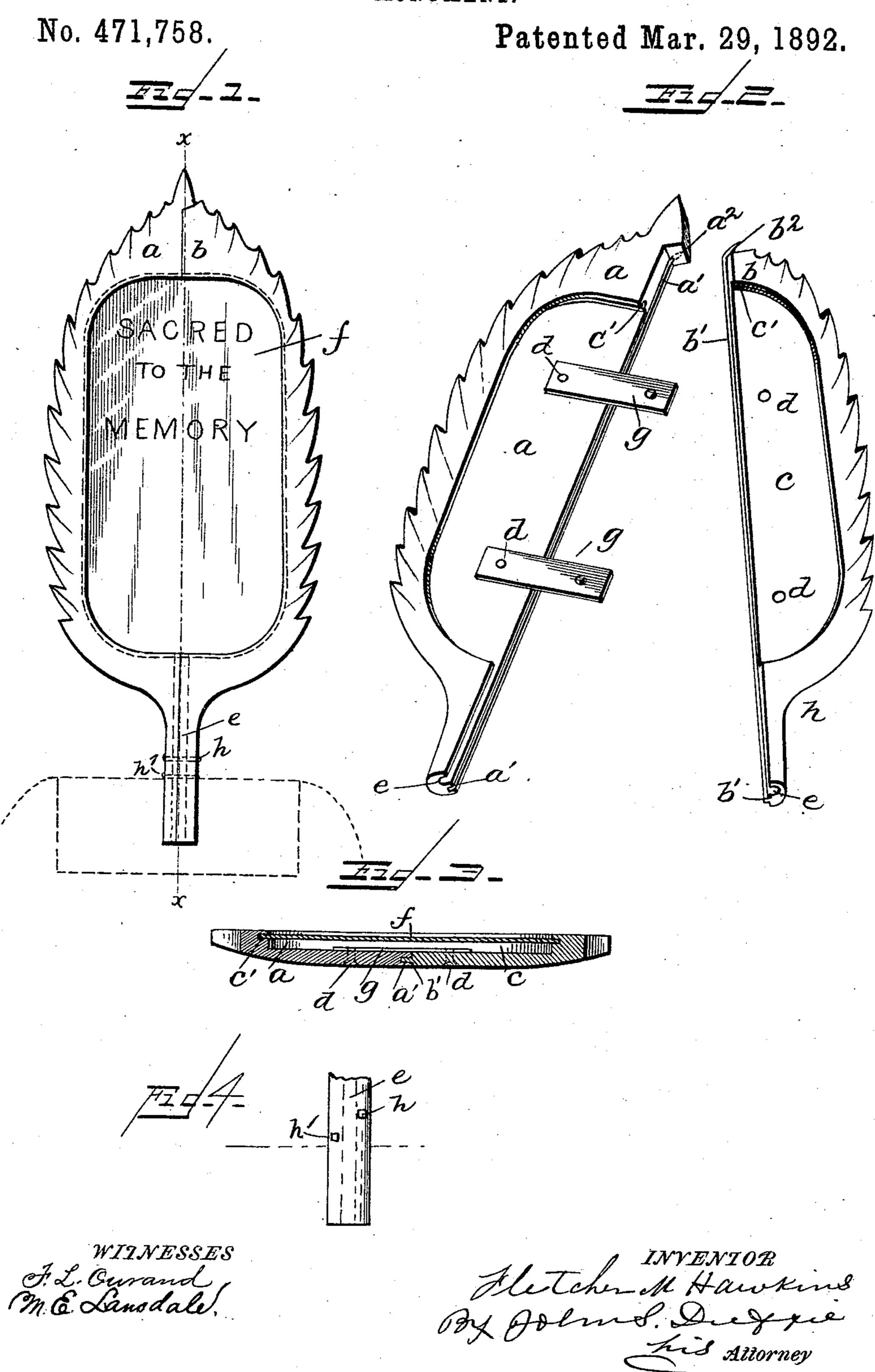
F. M. HAWKINS. MONUMENT.



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MONUMENT

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To all whom it may concern:

Beit known that I, FLETCHER M. HAWKINS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Scotland, in the county of Van Buren and State of Arkansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvement in Tombs; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part to thereof.

My invention has relation to monuments; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of its parts.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a face view of my invention set in a stone. Fig. 2 are details. Fig. 3 is a cross-section cut on the line x x of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is an edge view of the stem.

My invention is made to represent a leaf 20 with its stem inserted in a proper base. It is preferably made of cast-iron, but may be made of any material.

The body of the tomb is made of two parts, a and b. The part a is provided on its straight 25 edge with a groove a', having at its upper end a socket a^2 . The part b is provided on its straight edge with a tongue b' to fit in said groove, and at its upper edge with a point b^2 to fit in said socket. The two parts a and b 30 are provided each with a recess c on their front sides, and in the walls of said recess are grooves c'. Said parts a and b are provided with corresponding perforations d. The halfstems of said two parts are each provided with 35 a groove e. In the face of the monument and fitting in the grooves c' is a glass f. The two halves a and b are held together by means of the point b^2 , fitting in the socket a', the crosspieces g being bolted to said parts through 40 the perforation d and the bolts h and h' passing through the stem of the leaf. When the parts are all put together, the grooves e form a channel, through which plaster-of-paris or other suitable material is forced into the in-45 terior in rear of the glass plate f. The bolt h in the stem is in front of the channel and the

bolt h' is in the rear of the same, so that both edges are held firmly together.

The plate-glass has inscribed on its inner sides, not exposed to the weather, a proper 50 inscription. The inside of said plate may be painted any color. The whole tomb when completed has all its crevices puttied or cemented until perfectly air and water tight and is then painted.

I do not confine my tomb in shape to any particular leaf. Indeed, it is not necessary that it be in the shape of a leaf.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters 60 Patent, is—

1. The combination of a part a, provided with a groove a', terminating in a socket a^2 , groove e in the stem of said part, recess c and groove c' in the walls of said recess, part b, 65 provided with the tongue b' and point b^2 , groove e in the stem of said part, recess c and groove c' in the wall of said recess, plate-glass f, adapted to fit in the said groove c', and bolts h and h', substantially as shown and described, 70 and for the purposes set forth.

2. The combination of the part a, provided with the groove a', terminating in a socket a^2 , groove e in the stem of said part, recess c, having the perforations d, and groove c' in the 75 walls of said recess, part b, provided with the tongue b' and point b^2 , groove e in the stem of said part, recess c, provided with perforations d, and grooves c' in the wall of said recess, perforated cross-pieces g, adapted to be 80 bolted to said parts, plate-glass f, adapted to fit in the said groove c', and bolts h and h', passing through the stem, substantially as shown and described, and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

FLETCHER M. HAWKINS.

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