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- **GARBAGE CAN** [54]
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## CLAIM

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The ornamental design for a garbage can, as shown and described.

## DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the garbage can in accordance with the teachings of the invention; FIG. 2 is a side elevational view of the garbage can of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view of the garbage can FIG. 1; FIG. 5 is an elevational view of the other side of the garbage can of FIG. 1;

FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view of the garbage can of FIG. 1; FIG. 7 is a top plan view of the garbage can of FIG. 1;

FIG. 8 is a perspective view of the garbage can of FIG. 1 with three of the separable containers removed therefrom;

FIG. 9 is a front, side perspective view of one of the separable containers with the handle and lid in open position thereof; shown separately for clarity of illustration;

FIG. 10 is a front perspective view of a second separable container with the lid in open postion thereof, shown separately for clarity of illustration; and,

FIG. 11 is a side, front perspective view of a third separable container thereof with the lid closed.

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Fig. 1

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Fig. 2

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Fig. 5

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# Fig. 6

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