

DESIGN.

F. A. FIELD.  
Burial Casket.

No. 8,338.

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Witnesses.

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## DESIGN FOR BURIAL-CASKET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN A. FIELD, of Everett, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improved Design for Burial-Casket, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my design is fully represented in the accompanying photographic illustration, to which reference is made.

The sides *a* of the casket are straight, but the end is made heptagonal; and the central member or face *b* of the heptagon is placed at the extreme end of, and at right angles to, a longitudinal line drawn through the center of the casket; and at each side of this central face *b*, and between it and the sides of the casket, are three other sides, *b*<sup>1</sup> *b*<sup>2</sup> *b*<sup>3</sup>. The molding *c* is also made heptagonal, and at the lower end of the sides *b*, &c., is a molding, *d*.

I am aware that burial-caskets have had the heads made with three sides, which contract

too much the head-space; and I am also aware that the head has had five sides; but in such case the sides are of such size as to present too much the appearance of the old-fashioned three-sided end, whereas with seven sides the ends are caused to more nearly assume a curve, which is always a relief to the eye, and yet by the seven small sides the effect on the eye is more pleasing than if a regular curve.

I claim—

The design for a burial-casket in which the ends are heptagonal, and composed of flat straight sides, as described.

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

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