

DESIGN.

W. PARKIN.
Coffin-Plates.

No. 8,453.

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Fig. 1.

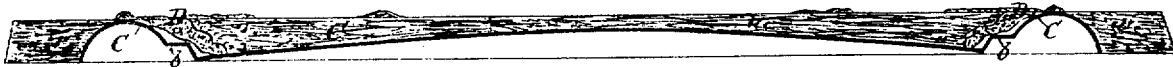
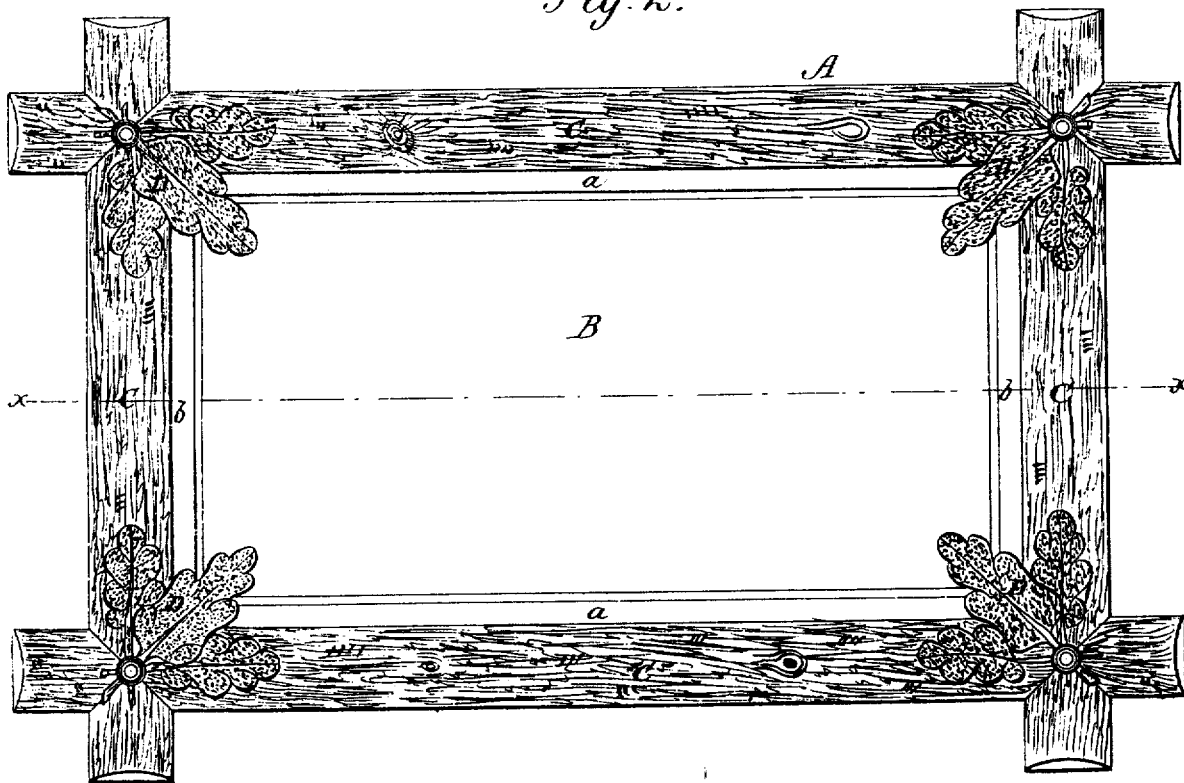


Fig. 2.



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DESIGN FOR COFFIN-PLATES.

Specification forming part of Design No. **8,453**, dated July 6, 1875; application filed May 27, 1875.
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CASE B.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WM. PARKIN, of Taunton, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented a Design for Coffin-Plates, of which the following is a specification:

The invention contemplates a rustic design or novel change in the appearance of the plates now attached to coffins for the purpose of receiving the inscription relating to a deceased person.

The invention will first be fully described, in connection with all that may be necessary to a full understanding thereof, and then pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 is an edge view; Fig. 2, a top view.

A represents the plate, having inscription-face B, made rectangular, and surrounded by four corrugations or convexities, C, each representing a longitudinal section of a trunk, twig, or limb of a small tree, with the bark remaining thereon. These are caused to cross each other, the top and bottom having projections at right angles to the sides, and vice versa. This is the main idea embodied in my coffin-plate; but I also place inside of the cor-

rugations, and as a border to the inscription-plate, the plain raised ledges *a a* at top and bottom, and *b b* at the sides. I also place at each corner, apparently fastened at the front of intersection between the end and side corrugations, three leaves, D, whose stems cross each other, the middle one resting diagonally on the inscription-face, while each of the others lies upon one of the rustic sections or corrugations.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. As a new design for coffin inscription-plates, the crossed corrugations C, ledges *a b*, and corner leaves D, arranged as shown and described.

2. The rectangular face B, ledges *a b*, and corrugations C, representing sections of wood, and arranged with respect to each other as shown and described, to form a new design.

3. The leaves D, arranged at each corner of inscription-face, and on longitudinal corrugations C, as shown and described, for the purpose specified.

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