

DESIGN.

J. R. REED.
Coffin-Rails.

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Fig 1.

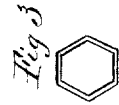
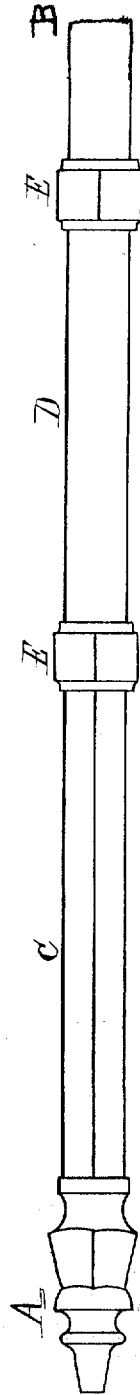
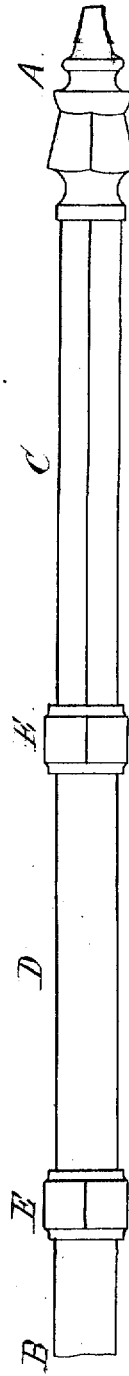


Fig 2.



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DESIGN FOR COFFIN-RAILS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN R. REED, of Westfield, county of Hampden, State of Massachusetts, have originated and designed a Pattern for the Side Rails of Coffins, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making part of this specification.

A A, Figures 1 and 2, represent the ornamented tips of my side rail, the rail being broken at B B for convenience in representing it. C C C are portions of the rail, having the angular external shape shown in the section, Fig. 3, or having more or less angles—that is to say, seven, or five, or four sides, instead of six, as represented. D D are cylindrical portions designed to serve as handles, by which the coffin is carried. Fig. 4 shows a section of the same. E E E E are connecting-pieces

(shown in section in Fig. 5) for uniting the different-shaped parts C and D, which, being made of pipe, are put together in sections.

The tips A A and the connecting-pieces may be changed somewhat in shape without destroying the effect of my design, since the prominent characteristics are to be found in the alternate angular and cylindrical surfaces.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The design for a side rail for coffins, its exterior surfaces being composed of alternate angular and cylindrical portions, connected and tipped, substantially as represented in the drawing.

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