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COFFIN ATTACHMENT.

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Fig. 1

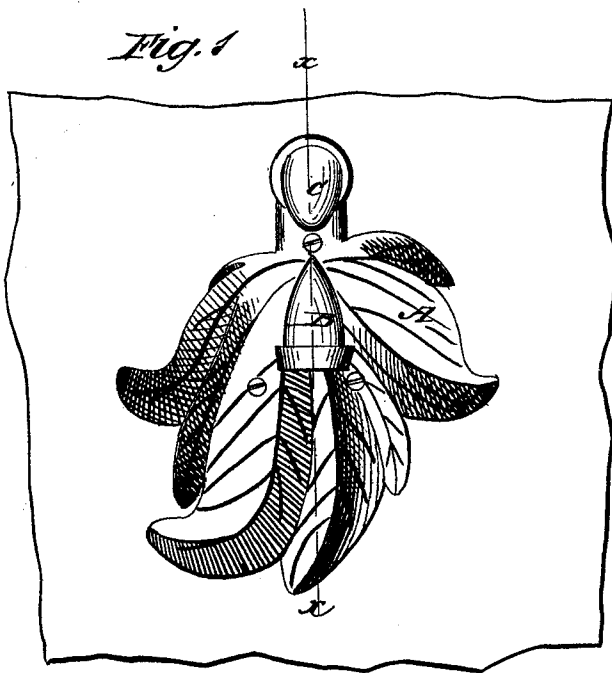
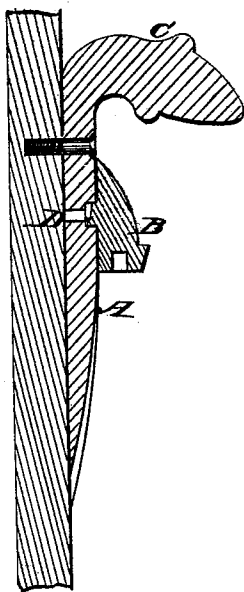


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN COFFIN ATTACHMENTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL A. HUGHES, of Parker's Landing, in the county of Armstrong and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and Improved Coffin Attachment, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of a hook attachment to coffins, for lowering them by the ropes or straps, instead of having the ropes or straps pass under the coffins. The attachment is to be attached to the handle-plates, but may be attached by an independent plate.

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved attachment; and Fig. 2 is a section of the attachment and a portion of the side of the coffin, taken on line *x x*.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the plate, which will be used, in connection with the handle, for an ornament, in

which case the half acorn B will be cast on for a finish to the point of connection of the handle with the plate. C is the hook attachment to the plate, to be used for lowering the coffin by a rope or strap.

As this attachment will sometimes be preferably attached to the coffins independently of the handle, the acorn will not be required. I propose to cast the plate, in that case, without the acorn.

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

The hook attachment mounted upon the handle-plate of coffin, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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