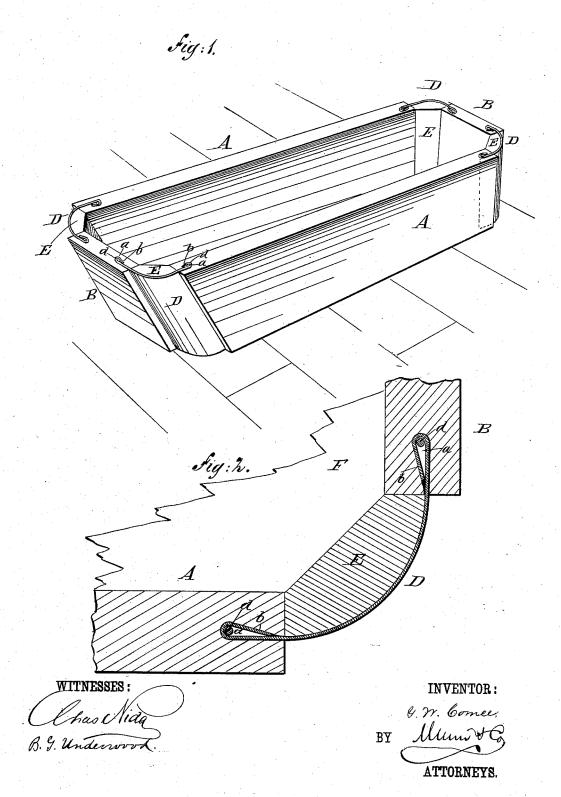
G. W. COMEE. BURIAL CASE CORNER.

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BURIAL-CASE CORNER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. COMEE, of Waseca, in the county of Waseca and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Burial-Cases, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a wooden burial-case having metallic corners; and it consists of the method of securing the sheet metal in the ends or edges of the side and end pieces of the case.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my new and improved burial-case, and Fig. 2 is a detailed sectional plan view of one of the corners of the case.

A A represent the side pieces, and B B the
20 end pieces, of the case, which are of wood, and
D D represent plates of sheet metal, which
unite the side and end pieces at the corners, as
shown. The ends or edges of the side and end
pieces to be united in this manner are first
25 formed with the tapering or dovetailed groove
a, as shown in Fig. 2. The edges of the corners D are first folded or lapped over, as shown
at b b. These folded edges are then slipped
into the grooves a a and then the rods or pins
30 d d are forced down between the laps b b and
the main parts of the sheets of metal, which
swell or force apart the folded edges of the
sheets and cause them to fill the grooves a a,
and thus securely lock the plates in the grooves.

Inside of the plates D are placed the corner-

blocks E E, which fill out the case upon the inside at the corners and cover the metal, as shown clearly in the drawings.

The bottom F is cut off at the corners and fitted between the lower edges of the side and 40 end pieces and lower ends of the corner-blocks, and secured in place by gluing, or with nails or screws, in the ordinary manner.

A burial case constructed in this manner is very strong, and is thus made with rounded 45 ornamental corners at comparatively small cost.

I am aware that the employment of rounded corner-pieces for coffins, secured to the ends and sides of the latter, is old, as is also the employment of cast-metal corner-pieces having enlargements at their vertical edges fitting in grooves in the sides and ends of the coffins.

Having thus fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters 55 Patent—

In a burial-case, the combination, with the sides A A and the ends B, provided with tapering grooves a and the blocks E, of the corner-plates D, having their vertical edges 60 formed into loops or eyes inserted into the grooves a of the ends and sides, and the rods or pins d d, forced into the eyes or loops of the corner-plates D, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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