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Fig 1

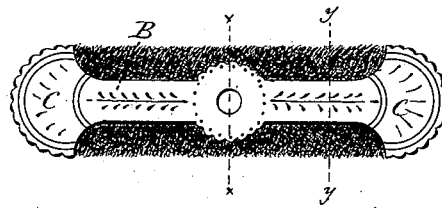


Fig. 2

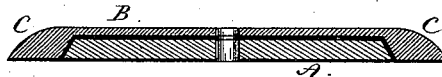


Fig. 3

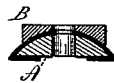
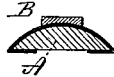


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OLIVER McCARTHY, of Meriden, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Coffin-Screw Plates; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, a top view; Fig. 2, a longitudinal central section; Fig. 3, a transverse section on line *xx*; Fig. 4 a transverse section on line *yy*.
This invention relates to an improvement in the construction of the plate or rose used as a base for ornamental screw-heads in securing the top of coffins, the object of the invention being a construction which will permit the introduction of a fabric-covered base as a part of the plate; and it consists in constructing a base shorter than the extreme length of the plate, which base is covered with a fabricated material combined with a metallic plate longer than the base, recessed upon its under side to receive the covered base, but the plate narrower between its two projecting ends than the base, and so that the plate lying upon the base will leave the surface of the base exposed at each side.

A represents the base, which may be made of wood or other suitable material, in length shorter than the finished plate, its upper surface of any desirable form—here represented as convex in transverse section. This base is covered with a fabric like velvet, silk, plush,

or other desirable material, indicated in solid black in Figs. 2, 3, and 4.

B is a cap or plate longer than the base and recessed upon its under side to receive the base, as seen in Fig. 2, the recess being in depth equal to the thickness of the base. The cap projecting beyond the base at each end terminates in an ornamental tip, C, the extreme width of which is such as to inclose the end of the base. Between the two ends the plate B is narrower than the base, and so as to leave the sides of the base exposed, as seen in Fig. 1, the plate forming a central metal bar over the fabric-covered base.

By constructing the plate in the form of a central bar over the base, with the ends expanding so as to embrace or cover the ends of the base, the necessarily-unfinished ends of the base are covered, and a neat finished and highly ornamental article is produced.

I claim—

The herein-described coffin-screw plate, consisting of the base A, covered with a fabric, combined with the metal cap consisting of a longitudinal central bar, B, narrower than the base, extending beyond the base at each end and there expanded to form the tips C, the cap recessed upon its under side to receive the said base, the ends of the said base embraced by the said tips, and the sides of the base exposed on each side of the bar, substantially as described.

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