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Fig. 1.

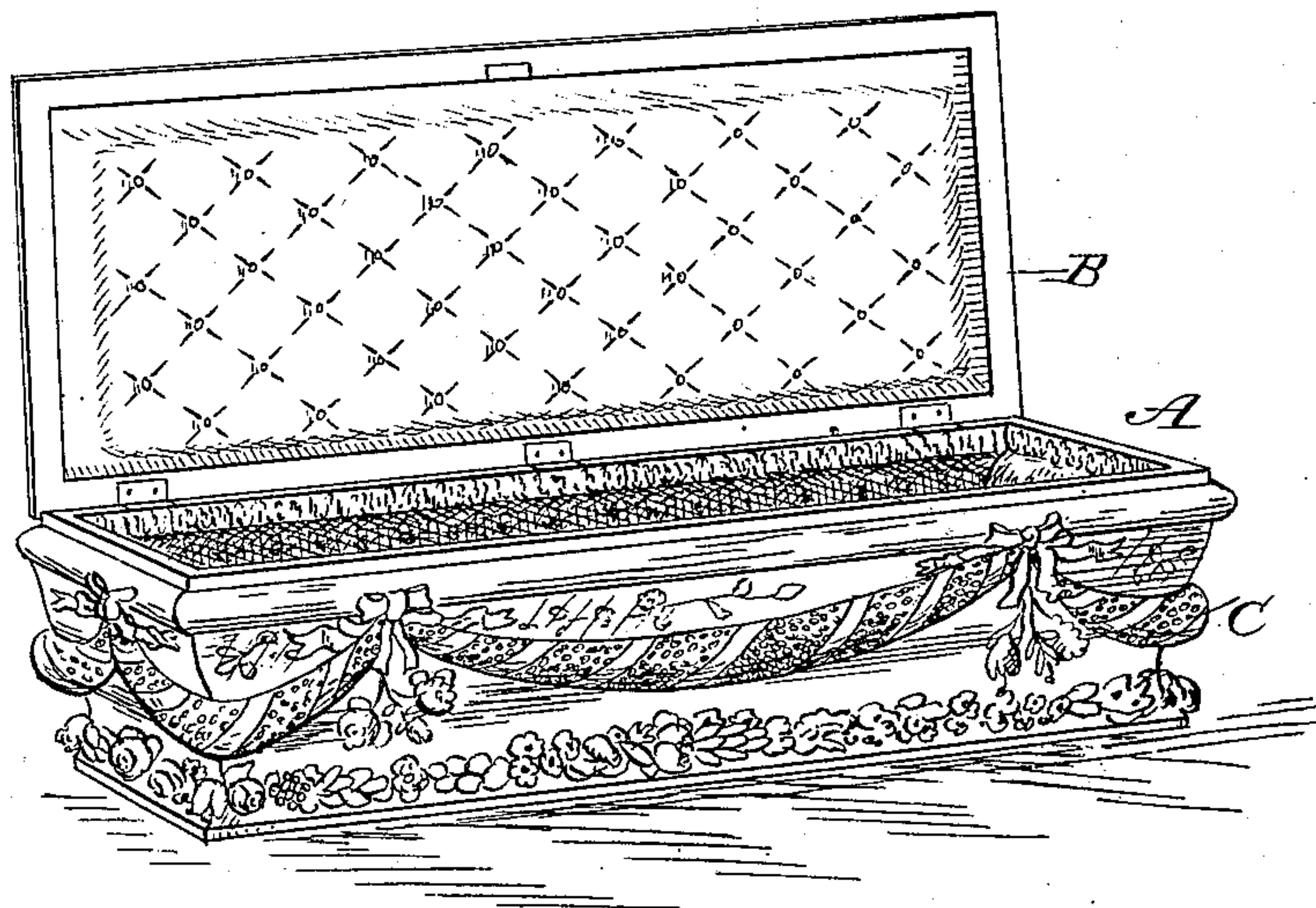
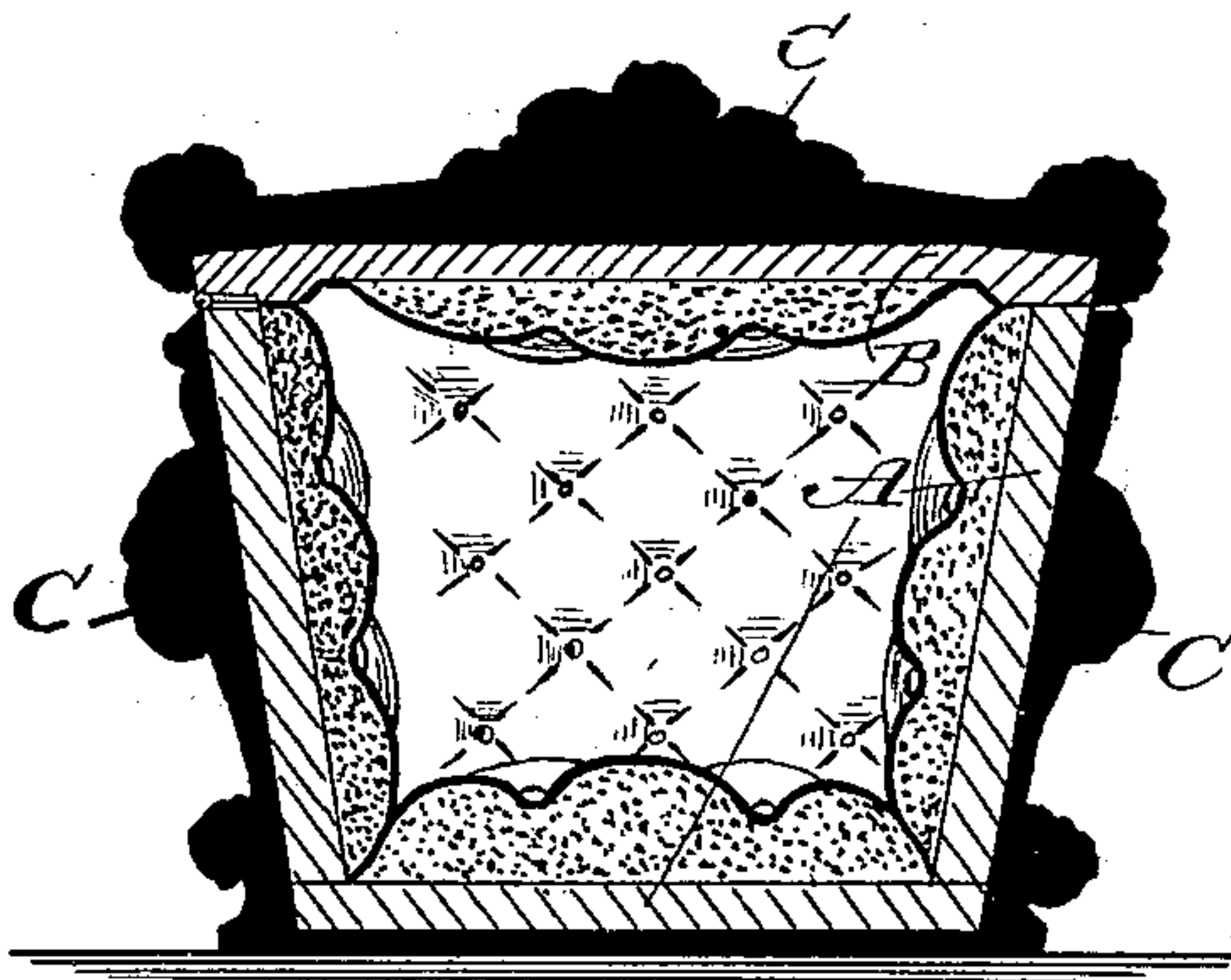


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN C. MEYER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Burial-Casket, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved burial-casket which is simple in construction, elegant in appearance, strong, durable, and cheap.

The invention consists in a box and lid provided with an exterior coating of plastic material, on the outer surface of which ornaments are produced in relief.

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 improved burial-casket. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view of the same on a larger scale.

The body of the casket A is formed of side, end, and bottom boards secured together in any well-known suitable manner. It is provided with a hinged cover, B.

The casket and the cover or lid are provided with an exterior coating, C, of plastic material, which hardens when dry, and is pressed on the sides and ends of the casket, and on the lid by suitable molds, which are shaped to produce ornaments of different kinds in high relief on the outer surfaces of the said coating of

plastic material. The plastic covering adheres securely to the casket and lid, and covers the outside of the same perfectly.

The exterior of the covering can be ornamented according to any desired design, and can be colored or provided on its outer side with a covering of paint, bronze, or a galvanoelectric coating of metal applied in the well-known manner.

The plastic material may be composed of a mixture of whiting, glue, shellac, and like binding material, or any other suitable plastic mass that hardens may be used.

The casket and cover are provided with an interior upholstery-lining. The plastic covering not only ornaments wooden caskets, but also acts as a protector against moisture, &c.

If desired, the casket may be provided with a metal lining.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a burial-casket consisting of a box and cover provided with an exterior covering of plastic material on the outer surface of which ornaments are produced in relief, substantially as herein shown and described.

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