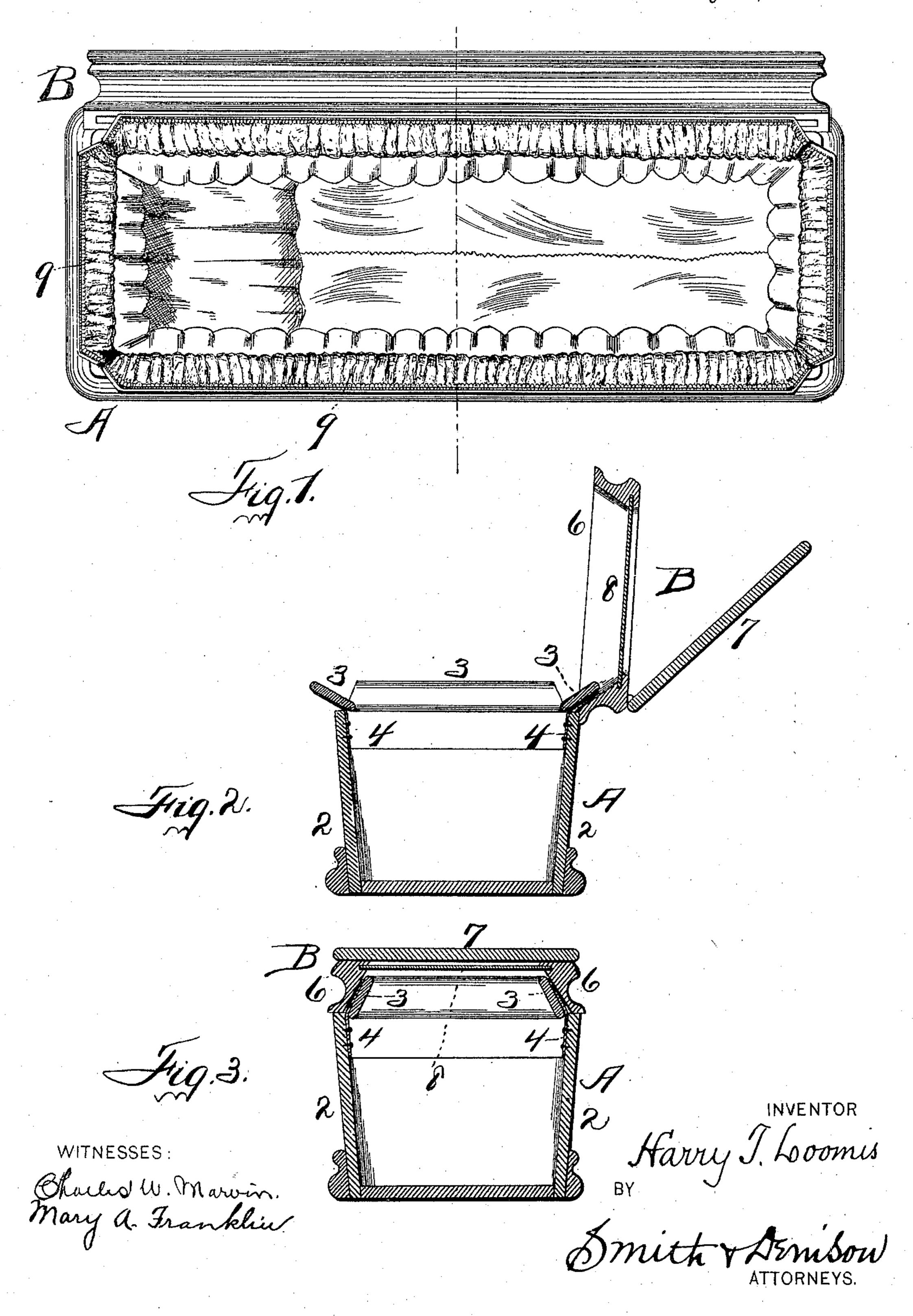
H. T. LOOMIS. BURIAL CASKET.

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BURIAL-CASKET,

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY T. LOOMIS, of Oneida, in the county of Madison, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Burial-Caskets, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to burial-caskets.

My object is to produce a casket comprising a suitable body, leaves suitably hinged thereon for folding inwardly or opening outwardly, a suitable solid cove interiorly beveled to fit over and inclose the inwardlyfolded leaves and suitably mounted upon said body to constitute a part of the exterior of the casket, a glass mounted in said cove, and a lid mounted upon the cove to cover or uncover the glass therein. Normally the cove holds the leaves in their folded-in position and when removed in any manner releases said leaves to be opened outwardly.

It is constructed as follows, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a top plan of the casket open and the leaves opened out. Fig. 2 is a cross-section thereof on the dotted line, showing also the top opened. Fig. 3 is a like view showing the casket closed.

A is a suitable body consisting of suitable panels 2 (sides and ends) and a suitable bottom. Upon these panels and ends suitable leaves 3 are suitably hinged, as at 4, so as to be adapted to be opened outwardly, as in Fig. 3, or folded in, as in Fig. 3, their meeting ends being suitably mitered to permit them to bear against and support each other while

B is the cover, consisting of the cove 5 and 10 lid 6, suitably hinged or otherwise connected together. The cover is interiorly beveled to fit over, inclose, and more or less bear against the leaves when they are closed or folded in, and it is also hinged or otherwise suitably connected to the body, so as to be opened or removed. These leaves or folding strips operate to cover the joint or connection between the cove and the body of the casket and to cover also the upper exposed edge of the 50 body of the casket when the lid is opened. A suitable glass 8 is suitably mounted in said cove.

The cove can be exteriorly ornamented in form or decoration, or both, as may be desired, and constitutes a part of the exterior 55 of the casket. The puffing 9 is suitably secured upon the leaves as a part of the interior decoration or trimming, and their exterior can be covered with any suitable material or decorated in any suitable manner. It 60 will be evident that said leaves, cove, and lid can bear any desired ratio or proportion to the length of the casket, and that when of less than full length part of the cover can be of any suitable construction.

I am aware of the construction shown and described in the patent to W. Hamilton, No. 581,155, in which the cove consists of sections hinged to the casket-body, forming a part of the exterior of the casket when closed 70 in and adapted to be opened outwardly upon their hinges.

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

1. A casket comprising a body, combined with leaves hinged thereon, and a solid cove mounted upon said body, and when closed inclosing said infolded leaves, and when opened releasing said leaves to be opened 80 outwardly to cover the cove connection and the upper edges of said body.

2. A casket comprising a body, leaves hinged thereon, to stand at an angle thereto, and a solid cove mounted upon said body and 85 interiorly beveled to inclose said infolded leaves, and when opened to release them to be opened outwardly to cover the cove connection and the upper edges of said body.

3. A casket comprising a body, leaves 90 hinged thereon to stand at an angle thereto inwardly or outwardly as desired, a solid cove mounted upon said body and interiorly beveled to inclose said leaves and when opened to release them to be opened to flare outwardly 95 beyond the body and cover its edges and the cove connection thereto, a glass mounted in said cove, and a lid to cover said glass.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 6th day of May, 1897.

HARRY T. LOOMIS.

In presence of— T. F. Hand, J. A. Babcock.