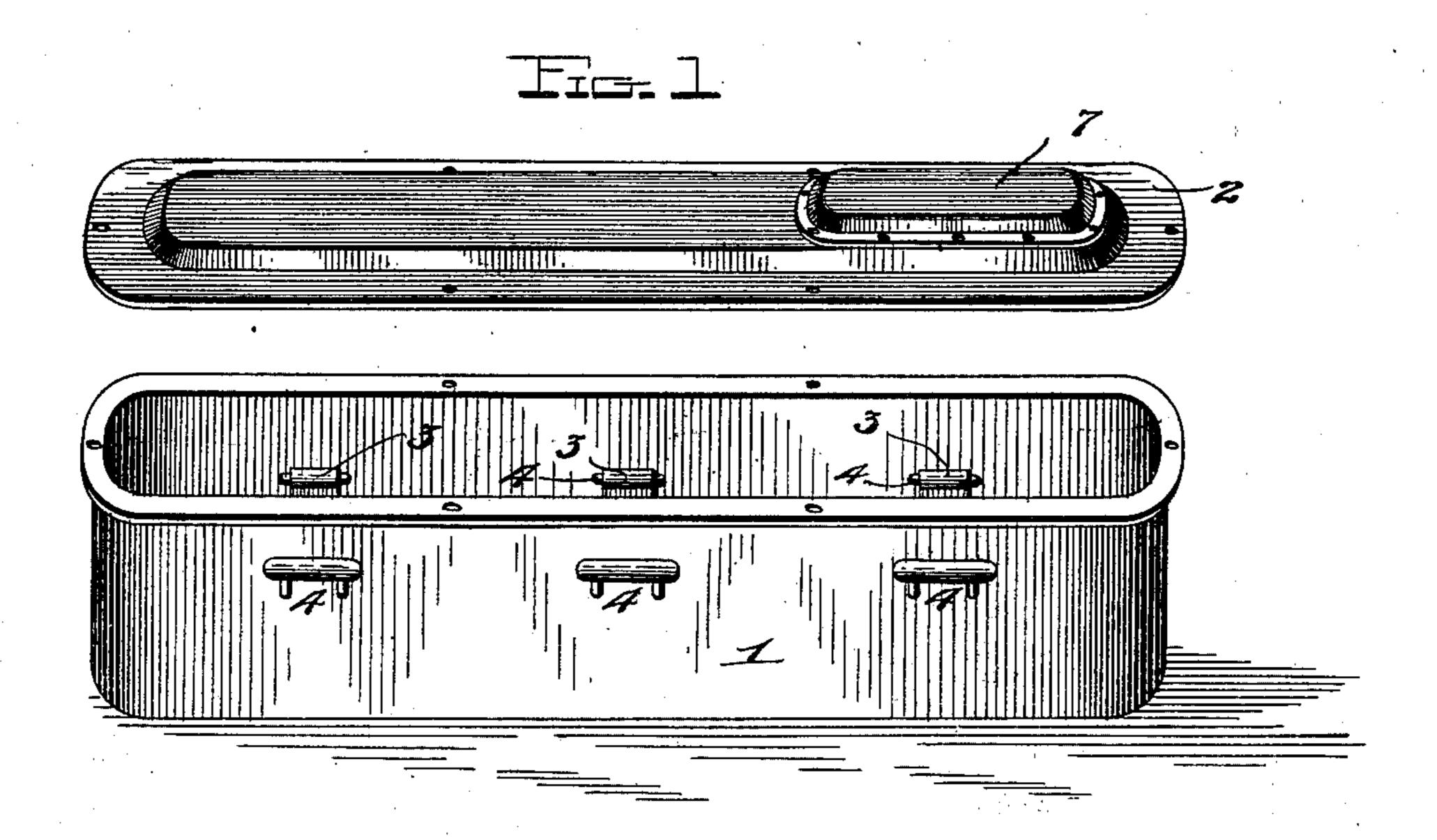
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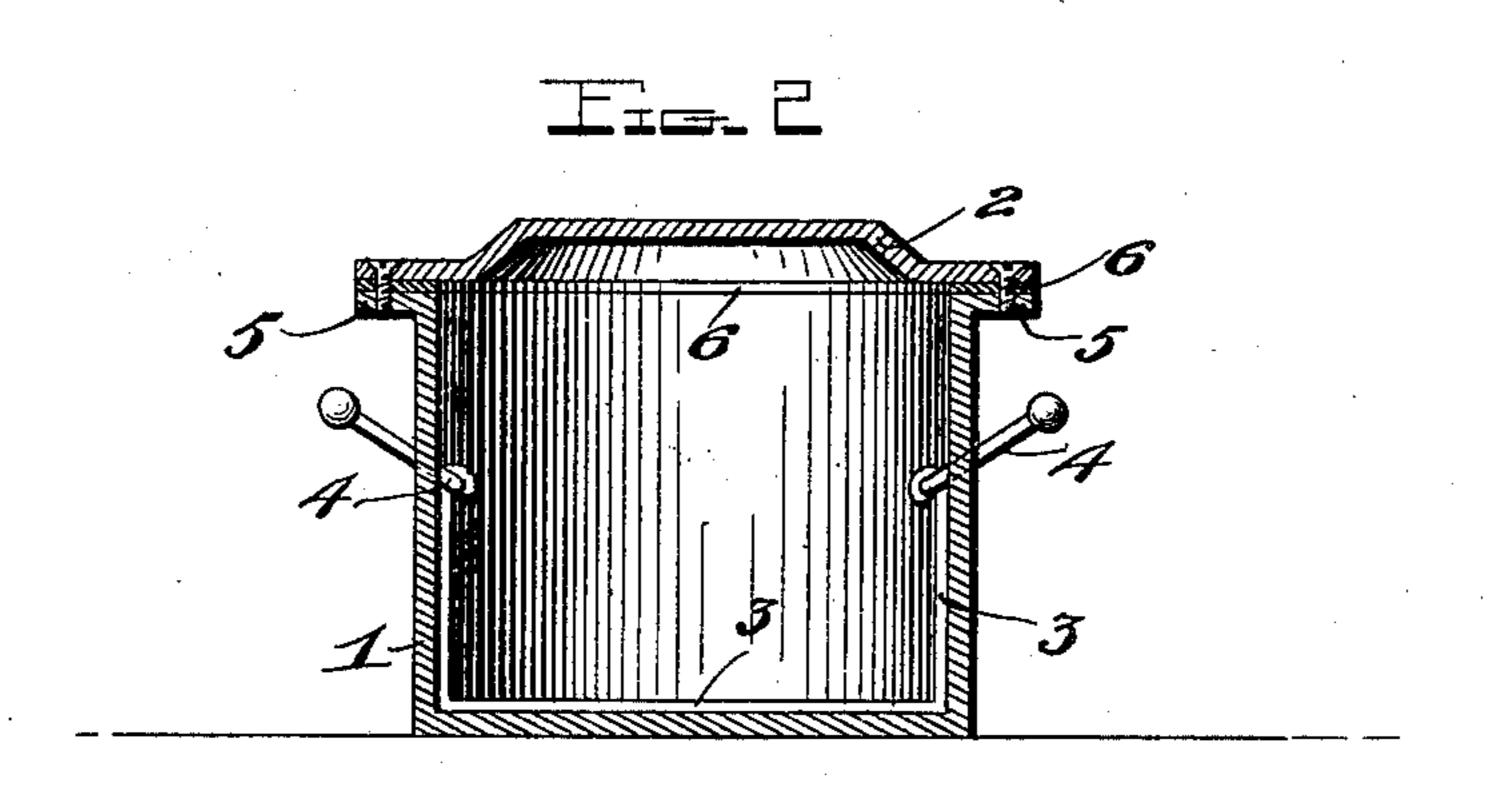
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BURIAL-CASKET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Devine, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cambria, in the county of Hillsdale and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Burial-Caskets; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The invention relates to burial-caskets.

The object of the invention is to provide an indestructible water and vermin proof burial-casket which shall be simple of construction and comparatively inexpensive of production.

With this and other minor objects in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved burial-25 casket, showing the cover separated therefrom. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view of the burial-casket with the cover attached thereto.

1 denotes the casket, and 2 its cover. The casket is preferably made of sheet metal, gal30 vanized iron, or steel, and is provided with interior metallic braces or strengthening-pieces
3, which are riveted in place and to the upper ends of which the handles 4 are secured.
The upper edge of the casket is provided with
35 a flange 5 to receive the flanged edge of the cover 2, and between these flanges is placed a packing 6. The cover is secured to the casket-body by screws or similar fastening means and is provided with a cap 7 to cover the glass
40 in the cover. This casket may be painted in

imitation of any of the woods employed in the construction of caskets or may be otherwise ornamented or draped to suit the taste of the purchaser, and is intended when placed in the ground to be entirely inclosed within 45 a metallic box, vermin and water proof.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and advantages of my improved burial-casket will be readily under-50 stood without requiring a more extended explanation.

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

1. A metallic casket comprising a body portion and a cover secured thereto, said body portion being provided with interior strengthening-strips and handles having their shanks inserted through the sides of the casket and 60 connected to the ends of said strips, substantially as set forth.

2. A burial-casket comprising a body portion provided with interior strengthening-strips which extend across the bottom of said 65 casket and up against the sides thereof and are located within said casket and have their ends formed with hooks, handles having bail-like shanks which extend through the sides of the casket and are engaged with the hook 70 ends of said strengthening-strips, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

JOSEPH DEVINE.

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