

PRIORITY OF A PATENT

Which Involves the Ownership of Nearly Five Million Dollars.

THE MORSE GUN SUIT IS IN COURT.

Several Skippers Say That the Assateague Light Was Not Good.

A MINGO JUNCTION BOND REDEEMED

(FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—A suit was brought in the Court of Claims to-day against the United States, which involves a sum of \$4,500,000 and some very interesting points of law.

Morse's heirs are suing the Government for infringing his patent of a breech-loading rifle. He has undoubted evidence of the validity of his claim of priority on the patent, but the Government hopes to outlaw his claim by proving that Morse was disloyal to the Union during the war.

INVENTION OF THE BREECH-LOADING

Morse invented the first breech-loading gun, containing the breech-block by which the cartridge would be forced into the breech, and after being discharged would eject the shell.

The case has been before the Court of Claims for many years, and at each hearing Morse claimed that he was not disloyal, did not sympathize with the confederates, and did not furnish arms to the Southern army.

THE BAR TO MORSE'S SUCCESS.

Were it not for this damaging evidence it is thought that Morse would secure a large judgment against the Government. When the Department of Justice called on the Patent Office a few days ago for the models of Morse's gun it was discovered that he invented the breech-loading rifle in 1842.

An interesting feature of this case is that shortly after the war the Patent Office refused to extend the patents on the Morse rifles on the grounds of his aiding the Confederate army. A year or two after this action a Democratic Congress passed a bill extending the patent of Morse, and although he and his representative have been steadily manufacturing the guns the United States has also been making the Springfield rifles, based upon the Morse inventions, and should the suit for \$4,500,000 fail it is believed that the heirs of Morse will be able to get a large royalty from the Government for the use of his patent since Congress passed the bill extending it, as, of course, the question of disloyalty cannot now be entertained, the action of Congress settling his right to have the patent extended.

A TWO-COLORED LIGHT

CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN THE CAUSE OF THE DESPATCH'S WRECK.

Evidence Adduced to Prove That the Assateague Light Was Unreliable—Lieutenant Noel Backs Up Lieutenant Cowles' Testimony in Fall.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—At the Despatch Court of Inquiry, this morning, Lieutenant Cowles testified that he had had no notice of any change in the position of the winter quarter to show the light. Lieutenant Noel, executive officer of the Despatch and navigating officer at the time the course was changed, recited in detail the incidents in the course of the vessel from the time she left New York. At 1:50 A. M., while on deck, the lookout reported to him a red light, and a few minutes thereafter, he saw the light himself. He asked the quartermaster of the vessel if it was a red light, and the reply was in the affirmative. As a red light is required to be shown at the winter quarter lightship, he supposed that what he saw was the winter quarter lightship.

He then changed the course of the vessel south 80 degrees west. He looked carefully around to see if the winter quarter light was visible, but there was none. The light he saw was visible 1 1/2 points to the starboard. The course determined upon by him would carry the vessel in the direction of the winter quarter light ship. As the red light turned out to be the Assateague Light, the winter quarter light ship, he was said, either off station, or it showed no light, or, as a careful examination had assured him that there was no other light in sight. At 2 o'clock he was relieved by Lieutenant Mulligan, to whom he explained the situation and told him in reaching what he supposed was the winter quarter lightship to head the vessel or Cape Charles lightship. He then retired, but shortly before 3 o'clock he was awakened by the ship grounding. Going on deck, Lieutenant Noel saw the red light, and he could not therefore imagine how the vessel could be ashore.

Lieutenant Noel said although he had not seen the Assateague light show so red then as the time of the wreck, yet it always had a peculiar appearance, and never showed a clear, white light. Several statements of skippers of vessels touching upon the Assateague light were then read to the effect that the white light there often appeared red, even under favorable circumstances. One skipper regarded it as particularly unreliable.

All the Latin Republics in Line.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The mails from the river Plate bring the Diario Oficial, of Paraguay, containing the passage of a law by the Congress of that country, authorizing the President to accept the invitation to participate in the World's Columbian Exposition. The President is also authorized to use from the public funds a sum of money necessary to enable Paraguay to make a proper exhibit of her resources and products. This acceptance completes the list of Latin American Republics, all of which have formally signified their intention to participate in the exposition, and in most of them appropriations have been made.

More Medals for the Mint.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The director of the mint to-day received from the United States Minister at Havana three bronze medals which were struck by the Province of Friesland in 1782, in recognition of American independence and in commemoration of a treaty of commerce and navigation between that country and the United States. They will be added to the Cabinet of Medals, etc., at the Philadelphia mint.

A Mingo Junction Bond Redeemed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The amount of 4 1/2 per cent bonds redeemed to-day was \$20,650, making the total redemptions to

date \$20,757,450, and leaving outstanding \$4,754,250. Among the bonds redeemed was a \$1,000 coupon bond burned to a crisp in the recent railroad accident at Mingo Junction, and the character of which the Treasury experts discovered to-day.

Fish in the Yellowstone Park.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The United States Fish Commission reports that the experiments made by the commission in 1889 and 1890 with trout in the waters of the Yellowstone National Park have proved successful.

FARE FIXED AT 5 CENTS.

The Carrette Line to the Parks Will Be in Operation by Next Spring.

Already it is conceded on all sides that Pittsburgh and Allegheny excel in rapid street railway transit other cities of the Union. Notwithstanding this, a new company has been organized which will establish a line of carrettes to traverse the principal thoroughfares of the two cities. J. C. Alles is Treasurer of the concern which is styled "The Carrette Company of Pittsburgh." Any one who visits New York cannot but notice the carrettes which run up and down Fifth avenue and through Central Park. They are very liberally patronized, as there is no street car line laid on that great artery. The idea is to place four of these large vehicles in Schenley Park to carry passengers from one end to the other. Each one will have a seating capacity of thirty passengers, the furnishings and upholsterings to be on the most elaborate and luxurious scale. These will have spiral steps which allow those who care to ride up on top of the carrette. This is on the plan and the fashions of the present well-known Springfield rifle, which is used by the United States army and navy. The Government holds that Morse's disloyalty to the Government disbars him from having recourse, financially or otherwise, against the United States.

The case has been before the Court of Claims for many years, and at each hearing Morse claimed that he was not disloyal, did not sympathize with the confederates, and did not furnish arms to the Southern army. Since the last hearing the Department of Justice has caused a search to be made of the war department records and has found that Morse addressed a number of letters to President Jefferson Davis, offering these arms to the Southern army; that he proposed to blockade Red river against the Federal fleet, and save forces up that stream for the Confederates. The records show also that he furnished large amounts of arms from time to time to the Southern army, and they were made at his gun factory at Harper's Ferry.

Stealing Copper Pigs.

Three robbers entered the works of the Keystone Manufacturing Supply Company early yesterday morning and tried to blow open the safe. Failing in this, they loaded into a wagon seven pigs of copper prepared for the United States mint and each valued at \$141. Watchman Thomas Flannigan frightened them away. While driving rapidly around a corner the wagon struck a post and was demolished. But the men escaped, carrying two pigs of copper with them.

DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

General Salazar, of Ecuador.

The Bureau of American Republics has received from Quito intelligence of the death of General Salazar, on September 21, from an attack of yellow fever. General Salazar was the government candidate for President of Ecuador, and would have been elected had he lived. He was for many years General in Chief of the Armies of Ecuador, which position he resigned to accept a place in the Cabinet of President Flores as Minister of Foreign Affairs. Upon his nomination for President of the Republic, he was one of the best informed men in the Republic, was 60 years of age, and was a conspicuous figure in the government of the country for more than 40 years.

Miss Emma Altar.

Miss Emma Altar died at the residence of J. J. Dean, in New Castle, at an early hour yesterday morning, aged 24 years. Miss Altar's home was in Ft. Madison, Ia., and she was in New Castle on a visit. She was in the terrible wreck at Chatsworth, some years ago. Her father, mother and one sister were killed in this wreck, and she contracted a cold from exposure which ultimately settled on her lungs and produced consumption.

Obituary Notes.

WILLIAM FIELD, an architect of wide reputation, died on Monday from a complication of heart and kidney troubles, at the Seney Hospital, Brooklyn, where he had been taken two weeks ago.

Mrs. LUCIUS L. CHANDLER, mother of Louise Chandler-Moulton, the well-known poetess, died at Putnam, Conn., Tuesday morning at her home, aged 79 years. Mrs. Moulton is on her way home from Europe.

J. H. SHEWELL, a young actor very well known, died Sunday in Kentucky. He was the son of L. R. Shewell, the country manager and dramatist, and was the husband of Mrs. Durfee, the actress, who died several months ago.

SALLIE SINGLETON, an actress who was somewhat celebrated a quarter of a century ago, died recently in New York. She was one of the Singletons, sisters, who retired from the stage about 1870. She left a son who is an actor. She had been twice married.

ELDER IRVING BAILEY POTTER died at his home in Danbury, Conn., Monday night, after a year's illness, aged 40 years. He was well-known throughout New York and New England as an evangelist and missionary, in which work he was engaged about 40 years.

Mrs. JULIA BENSON, familiarly known as "Grandma" Benson, died at the Bridgeport, N. Y., Hospital, yesterday of old age. On October 14 she celebrated her 100th birthday at the hospital. She was a native wife for many years, and the festivities of the day proved too much for her.

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California is the most attractive and delightful section of the United States, if not of the world, and its many beautiful resorts will be crowded with the best families of the East during the entire winter. It offers to the investor the best open opportunity for safe and large returns from its fruit lands. It offers the kindest climate of the world to the feeble and debilitated; and it is reached in the most comfortable manner of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad. Pullman vestibule sleeping cars leave Chicago by this line every day in the year and go without change or transfer through to San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego. This is a feature not offered by any other line. Write to Charles T. Apple, Traveling Passenger Agent, Room 303, Bank of Commerce Building, Pittsburg, Pa., if you desire any further information as to the country and the accommodations for reaching it.

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Marriage Licenses Issued Yesterday.

Table with columns: Name, Residence. Includes entries for Robert Wright, Helen Schmitt, Frank Mala, etc.

DIED.

BARBOUR—On Tuesday, October 27, 1891, at 12:30 P. M., Mrs. ELIZABETH, widow of David M. Barbour, aged 69 years. Funeral from her late residence, No. 221 Dinwiddie street, on FRIDAY, October 30, at 10 A. M. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

BRADLEY—At her residence, Biddle avenue, Wilkinsburg, on Tuesday, October 27, at 12:40 P. M., EMMA, wife of Walter Bradley, in her 51st year. Funeral services at the residence of her father-in-law, William Bradley, No. 11 Marshall street, Allegheny, on THURSDAY, October 28, at 2 P. M. Interment private.

DUNSTRUP—On Monday, October 26, 1891, at 10:30 A. M., at her residence, No. 211 Ohio street, Allegheny, MARY DUNSTRUP (nee Roberts), in her 29th year. Funeral on FRIDAY, October 30, 1891, at 8:30 A. M. Requiem mass at St. Mary's Church, Liberty street, Allegheny, at 9 A. M.

ERRETT—At the home of her parents, near Mansfield, Pa., on Tuesday, October 27, 1891, at 4 P. M., of scarlet fever, EMILY, only daughter and eldest child of W. K. and Jennie McCullen Errett. Interment private.

FALCK—On Tuesday, October 27, 1891, at 5 P. M., KATIE FALCK, daughter of David and Mary Morgan, of the Ninth ward, Allegheny, in her 23rd year. Funeral from her husband's residence, corner Wylie and California avenues, Allegheny, on THURSDAY AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

FREI—On Tuesday, October 27, 1891, at 5 A. M., Mrs. ANNE wife of Matthew Frei, aged 28 years 1 month 10 days. Interment private.

HUTCHINSON—At Colorado Springs, Col., Wednesday, October 28, 1891, at 10:30 A. M., FRANK C. HUTCHINSON, in his 38th year. Notice of funeral hereafter.

JACK—On Wednesday, October 28, 1891, Mrs. REBECCA JACK, in the 85th year of her age. Funeral from her late residence, Leechburg, Pa., on FRIDAY, at 12 M. Carriages will meet the 7:15 A. M. train, West Penn. Railroad, October 27.

KELLY—On Tuesday evening, October 27, 1891, GEORGE KELLY, on Monday, October 26, formerly of Pine township, aged 33 years. Funeral services at the residence in Adams township, Butler county, THURSDAY, October 29, 1891, at 10 A. M.

META—On Wednesday morning at 11:45 o'clock, October 28, BEATA, wife of Adam Metz, aged 53 years and 2 months. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

MCGREGOR—Of diphtheria, on Wednesday, October 28, at 11:30 A. M., ISABELLA, daughter of Margaret A. and the late William J. McGregor, aged 3 years, 1 month and 11 days. Funeral services at the residence of her grandfather, Douglas Munn, No. 18 Franklin street, on THURSDAY MORNING, October 29, at 10 o'clock. Interment private.

MCMANARA—At his residence, North Canal street, Shadysburg, on Monday, October 26, 1891, at 10 P. M., ANDREW MCMANARA, aged 74 years. Interment private.

MCTAY—On Wednesday, October 28, 1891, at 2 A. M., Mrs. EMMA MCTAY (nee Dunn), beloved wife of Bernard Mctay. Funeral from her late residence, No. 23 Gibson street, Pittsburgh, Pa., on THURSDAY, October 29, at 8 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

PARKER—At his residence in Shaler township, October 28, 1891, GEORGE L. PARKER, aged 25 years 8 months and 24 days. Funeral FRIDAY at 2 o'clock.

RUTH—On Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock, MARY RUTH, widow of the late Henry Ruth, aged 61 years and 10 months. Funeral will take place on THURSDAY AFTERNOON at 2 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 49 Second street, Allegheny. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

STRIGHT—On Tuesday, October 27, 1891, at 12:15 o'clock, MARY STRIGHT, daughter of John H. and Kate E. Stright, aged 2 years and 5 months. Interment private.

YOUNG—On Wednesday, October 28, 1891, at 1 P. M., BESSIE H., only child of James H. and Ella Young, aged 3 years 3 months and 14 days. Funeral services at the residence of her parents, 371 Main street, Lawrenceville, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Interment private at a later hour.

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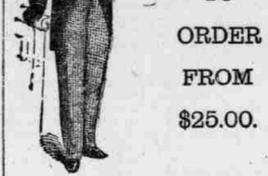
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