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OPINION OF JUDGE GRIER.

As I write with difficulty I can only state the conclusions to which my mind has come after examination of this case.

The complainant has exhibitted a patent dated 25th of April, 1865. This is prima facie evidence of a good title, and puts on the respondents the burden of proof that the patent is void or worthless.

I need not repeat my remarks in the case of Goodyear vs. Day (2 Wall, C. C. Rep. 289,) but now adopt them as affording a rule of decision which applies clearly to the present case.

As the infringement of the patent is admitted, the only question will be as to the validity of complainants patent of April 25, 1858.

"It was after speculation had been reduced to practice," and after repeated experiments, that the complainant succeeded in overcoming the prejudice and ignorance of the people on the subject, and persuading the public that his invention was useful; after he had established its great utility and value, and "when his genius and patient perseverance, in spite of sneers and scoffs," were completely successful, that Reed, who had before made experiments on the same subject, and was unsuccessful, imagined that he had the best right to the invention, and after purchasing one or more complainant's patent. On the 15th of September, 1867, Torpedoes, he applied on the 1st of November for a patent for substantially the same combination of devices and machine contained in complainant's patent. On the 15th of the same month the respondents formed themselves into a company or corporation called "The Reed Torpedo Company," for the purpose of pirating the complainant's invention, and supporting the expense of litigation, and thus defraud him of the fruits. They have succeeded, even after the preliminary injunction very properly granted by the District Judge.

Let a decree be entered for complainant for a perpetual injunction, and a Master appointed to take the account according to the prayer of the bill.

R. C. GRIER, Judge.

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"It is usually the case, when any valuable discovery or any new machine of great utility is made, or any new machine of great utility is invented, that the attention of the public has been directed to that subject previously, and that many persons have been making researches and experiments. Philosophers and mechanicians may have some measure anticipated in their specifications discovery or possibility or probability of such success; many experiments have been unsuccessful, tried, coming very near, yet falling short of the coveted result. They have prodigies nothing benefi- al. The invention when perfected may truly be is to be the culminating point of many expected- nus, not only by the inventor, but by many others, He may have profited indirectly by the unsuccessful experiments and failures of others, but it gives them no right to claim a share of the honor of profit of the successful inventor. It is when culation has been reduced to practice, when ment has resulted in discovery, and when that discovery has been perfected by patient and continexperiments, when some new compound, art, facture, or machine has been thus produced is useful to the public, that the patentee by making it becomes a public benefactor and entitled to a patent. and yet when genius and patient perseverance at length succeeded, in spite of sneers and s, some valuable invention or discovery, how- m is it followed by reward! Envy robs him e honor, while speculators, swindlers, and pirobrob him of the profits. Every unsuccessful discoverer who did or did not come very making a discovery now claims it. Every one can invent an improvement or variation, in its form, a right to pirate the original discovery. We not summons Morse, or Blanchard, or Woodto prove that this is the usual history of every at discovery or invention.

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