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The following is the decision rendered by Judge Grier on the twenty-second (22) day of September, 1870, in the United States Circuit Court at Philadelphia. The case was argued three days by Charles A. Keller of New York, H. F. Lucas and S. A. Purviance of Pittsburgh, for defendants, and George Harding of Philadelphia, and George H. Christy, of Pittsburgh, for plaintiffs.

OPINION OF JUDGE GRIER.

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

The complainant has exhibited a patent dated 25th of April, 1864. This is a patent for a "torpedo," and the patent is void, as the burden of proof that the patent is valid is on the complainant.

I need not repeat my remarks in the case of Gooden v. Day (2 Wall. C. C. Rep. 229), 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 the complainant's patent of April 25, 1864.

"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 procuring the patent for his invention.

After he had established his great utility and value, and "when his genius and patient perseverance, in spite of sneers and scoffs," were completely successful, that Hood, 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 of the complainant's torpedoes, he applied on the 1st of November, 1867, for a patent for substantially the same combination of parts and devices as those contained in the complainant's patent.

On the 18th 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 defrauding him of the fruits. They have perverted, 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 decree for the respondents to take an account according to the prayer of the bill.

R. C. GRIER, Judge.

NOTE.—The passage referred to by Judge Grier in his former decision, 3 Wallace, p. 229, adopted as applicable to this case was as follows:

"It is nearly the case, when any valuable discovery is made, or any new machine of great utility is invented, that the attention of the public has been turned to that subject previously, and that many persons have been making researches and experiments. Philosophers and mechanics may have in some measure anticipated in their speculations the possibility or probability of such discovery or invention; many experiments have been successfully tried, coming very near, yet falling short of the desired result. They have produced nothing beneficial. The invention when perfected may truly be said to be the culminating point of many experiments, not only by the inventor, but by many others. It 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 the point of the successful inventor. It is when speculation has been reduced to practice, when experiments have resulted in discovery, and when that discovery has been perfected by patient and continued experiment, when some new compound, art, manufacture, or machine has been thus produced which is useful to the public, that the party making it becomes a public benefactor and entitled to a patent."

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LEAVES OIL CITY.

MIXED TRAIN leaves Oil City 2:10 p.m.; Reno, 2:30 p.m.; Two Mile Run, 2:45 p.m.; Franklin, 3:00 p.m.; Sandy Lake, 3:15 p.m.; Waterloo, 3:30 p.m.; Raymont, 3:45 p.m.; Coal Branch, 4:00 p.m.; Stonyboro, 4:15 p.m.; Clark's Mills, 4:30 p.m.; Hadley's, 4:45 p.m.; Salem, 5:00 p.m.; A & G W Crossing, 5:15 p.m.; Jamestown, 5:30 p.m.

MAIL leaves Oil City 9:00 a.m.; Reno, 9:10 a.m.; Two Mile Run, 9:20 a.m.; Franklin, 9:30 a.m.; Sandy Lake, 9:40 a.m.; Waterloo, 9:50 a.m.; Raymont, 10:00 a.m.; Coal Branch, 10:10 a.m.; Stonyboro, 10:20 a.m.; Clark's Mills, 10:30 a.m.; Hadley's, 10:40 a.m.; Salem, 10:50 a.m.; A & G W Crossing, 11:00 a.m.; at Jamestown 11:10 a.m. FRANKLIN ACCOMMODATION leaves Oil City 4:00 p.m.; Reno, 4:15 p.m.; Two Mile Run, 4:30 p.m.; arrives at Franklin 4:50 p.m.

ARRIVE AT OIL CITY.

MIXED TRAIN will leave Jamestown, 6:50 a.m.; A & G W Crossing, 7:15 a.m.; Salem, 7:30 a.m.; Hadley's, 7:45 a.m.; Clark's Mills, 8:00 a.m.; Coal Branch, 8:15 a.m.; Stonyboro, 8:30 a.m.; Raymont, 8:45 a.m.; Sandy Lake, 9:00 a.m.; Waterloo, 9:15 a.m.; Franklin, 9:30 a.m.; Two Mile Run, 9:45 a.m.; Reno, 10:00 a.m.; arrives at Oil City 10:10 p.m.

MAIL leaves Jamestown, 1:00 p.m.; A & G W Crossing, 1:15 p.m.; Salem, 1:30 p.m.; Hadley's, 1:45 p.m.; Clark's Mills, 1:55 p.m.; Coal Branch, 2:10 p.m.; Stonyboro, 2:20 p.m.; Sandy Lake, 2:35 p.m.; Raymont, 2:45 p.m.; Waterloo, 2:55 p.m.; Franklin, 3:05 p.m.; Two Mile Run, 3:15 p.m.; Reno, 3:30 p.m.; arrives at Oil City 3:40 p.m. FRANKLIN ACCOMMODATION leaves Franklin, 8:00 a.m.; Two Mile Run, 8:15 a.m.; Reno, 8:30 a.m.; arrives at Oil City 8:50 a.m. Mail and west will stop at all stations except Two Mile Run, Summit, Coal Branch, Clark's and Salem, and at these stations to leave passengers, and on signal to take passengers. Mixed trains will stop at all stations.

CHARLES F. HATCH, Gen. Supt. GEO. H. MONTYKE, Supt.

Philadelphia & Erie R.R.

SUMMER TIME TABLE

On and after Monday, May 30th, 1870, the trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad will run as follows:

WESTWARD. Mail Train leaves Philadelphia, 12:30 p.m.; leaves Corry, 6:00 p.m.; arrives at Erie, 7:30 p.m. Erie Expr. leaves Philadelphia, 10:00 a.m.; leaves Corry, 2:50 a.m.; arrives at Erie, 7:25 a.m. Warren Accommodation leaves Warren, 8:45 a.m.; leaves Corry, 9:45 a.m.; arrives at Erie, 11:30 a.m.

EASTWARD. Mail train leaves Erie, 8:30 a.m.; leaves Corry, 10:40 a.m.; arrives at Philadelphia, 6:30 a.m. Erie Expr. leaves Erie, 9:45 a.m.; leaves Corry, 10:45 p.m.; arrives at Philadelphia, 4:45 p.m. Warren Accommodation leaves Erie, 4:00 p.m.; leaves Corry, 5:00 p.m.; arrives at Warren, 7:30 p.m.

Express, Mail and Accommodation, East and West, connect at Corry, and all West bound trains and Mail and Accommodation East at Jamestown with Oil Creek and Allegheny River Railway. W. M. A. BALDWIN, Gen. Supt.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY R.R.

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GOING SOUTH. Oil City, Franklin, Parker's, ar. Erie, 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Day Expr. 2:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Night Ex. 9:30 p.m. 10:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m. 5:00 a.m.

GOING NORTH. Pittsburgh, Parker's, Franklin, ar. Oil City, 7:00 a.m. 1:40 a.m. 1:55 p.m. 2:50 p.m. Day Expr. 7:30 a.m. 4:25 p.m. 6:25 p.m. 7:50 p.m. Night Ex. 9:00 p.m. 6:00 a.m. 2:50 a.m. 6:50 a.m. SILVER PALACE SLEEPING CARS on Night Express trains both ways between Pittsburgh and Corry.

J. J. LAWRENCE, Gen. Supt. THOS. M. HINN, Asst. Supt.

BUFFALO, CORRY AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.

NORTHWARD TRAINS. Corry, Buffalo, Buffalo, Corry. Express, 9:25 a.m. 11:25 a.m. 1:55 p.m. 1:55 p.m. Mail, 11:55 a.m. 3:35 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m. Way Freight, 5:55 p.m. 8:20 a.m. 10:50 a.m.

SOUTHWARD TRAINS. Buffalo, Corry, Buffalo, Corry. M. P., 6:05 a.m. 8:35 a.m. 10:30 p.m. Express, 11:55 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Accommodation 4:30 a.m. 7:35 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Way Freight, 4:40 a.m. 7:35 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Monday, May 30, 1870.

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