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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 a careful examination of this case.

The complainant has exhibited a patent dated 26th 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. 283,) but now adopt them as affording a rule of decision which applies closely to the present case.

As the infringement of the patent is admitted, the only question will be as to the validity of complainant's patent of April 26, 1865.

"It was after speculation had been reduced to practice "and after repeated experiments, that the complainant succeeded in overcoming the prejudices and incredulity of the people on the subject, and pressing the public mind to the conviction of the utility of his invention, which, after he had established its great utility and value, and "when he got his application perfected, in spite of sneers and ridicule," were completely successful, that Reed, who had before made experiments on the same subject, and was unsuccessful, considered that he had the best right to the invention, and after purchasing one or more complainant's torpedoes, he applied on the 1st of November, 1865, for a patent for a substantially the same combinations of devices and achieved published in complainant's patent. On the 16th 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 persevered, 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 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. 260 adopted as applicable to this case was as follows:

"It is usually the case, when any valuable discovery is made, or any new machine of great utility is invented, that some portion of the public has been slumbering on that subject, gave only, and that many persons have been making researches and experiments. This possesses mechanisms may have made some nearer anticipated in their speculations this possibility or practicability of such discovery or invention; many experiments have been successfully tried, coming very near, yet failing short of the desired result. They have produced nothing beneficial. The inventor who first succeeded may truly be said to be the enlightening point of many experiments, but it is by the inventor, but by many others. He may have profited indirectly by the unsuccessful experiments and failures of others, but it gives him no right to claim a share of the honor of the work of the successful inventor. It is when experimentation has been reduced to practice, when experiment has resulted in discovery and when that discovery has been perfected by patient and continuous experiments 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.

"And yet when genius and patient perseverance have at length succeeded, in spite of sneers and ridicule, in giving valuable fruits to discovery, how seldom is it followed by reward! Envy robs him of the honor, while speculators, swindlers and pirates rob him of the profits. Every unsuccessful experimenter who did or did not come very near reaching a discovery now claims it. Every one who can invent an improvement or vary its form, claims a right to divide the original discovery. We need not summon Whitney or Blanchard or Woodworth to prove that this is the usual history of every great discovery or invention.

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