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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 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 Good-year vs. Day (2 Wall, C. C. Rep. 120.) but will 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 complainant's patent of April 25, 1865.

I was after speculation had been added to practice, and after repeated experiments, that the complainant succeeded in overcoming the prejudice and ignorance of the people on the subject, and convincing the public that his invention was valid after he had established its great utility and value and "when his agents and patent attorneys, in spite of sneers and scoffs," were completely successful, that Lord, who had before made experiments on the same subject, and was unsuccessful, and after having one or more complainant's torpedoes, he applied on the 1st of November, 1867, 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 a company with a company of their own, called "The Red Torpedo Company," for the purpose of putting the complainant's invention, and supporting the expenses of litigation, and thus defrauding him of the fruits. They have preserved, even after the preliminary injunction very properly granted by the District Judge.

Let a degree be entered for complainant for a perpetual injunction, and a Master, appointed to take an account according to the prayer of the bill, as R. C. GIDDEL, Judge.

NOTE—The passage referred to by Judge Greiner in his former decision, 5 Wallace, p. 299, 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 the attention of the public has been invited to that subject previously, and that many persons have been making researches and experiments. Philosophers and mechanicians 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 which perfected may truly be said to be the culminating point of many efforts, 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 benefit of the profit of the successful inventor. It is when speculation has been reduced to practice, when experiment has resulted in discovery and when that discovery has been perfected by patient and arduous experiments, when such a new compound, or manufacturing process, or machine has been 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 scoffs, some valuable invention or discovery, the reward is followed by reward! Every citizen of the honor, who speculates, awakes, and pursues no object of his life, but every unsuccessful experimenter who did or did not come very near making a discovery now claims it. Every one who can invent an improvement or vary its form, claims a right to share the original discovery. We need not summarize Morse, or Blanchard, or Wood worth to prove that this is the usual history of every great discovery or invention."

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