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MIDNIGHT.

NEWS BY CABLE.

Important from Spain—Bishops must take an oath to support the new Constitution—Republicans active—"Death before acceptance of Monarchy"—London Times on the Cuban Question—French Emperor and Empress attend the Races—Challenge for an Ocean Race Large Shipments of Specie for the United States—Revolt in Barcelona Suppressed.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

SPAIN.

MADRID, September 25.—The government intends to compel the Bishops to take the oath of adherence to the new constitution. It is officially announced that a reduction of 5 per cent. is to be made in the salaries of all the colonial officers.

Minister Sickles had a long interview with the Spanish Minister of State, Silvolie.

To-day, intelligence was received of the assassination of the President of the Republican Club of Taragona.

A Republican club in the city has been closed by the government on account of resolutions adopted declaring the members would make armed resistance to monarchy.

Republican meetings are becoming general in the principal cities. At Saragossa Senor Cartelar addressed an audience of 20,000 persons, urging death before acceptance of a monarchy.

At Barcelona an attempt was made to disarm some of the volunteers who protested against the arrest of Gen. Perrad. This exasperated the volunteers and caused a slight insurrection. Barricades were thrown up, and a conflict took place in the streets between the Government troops and volunteers. The fight was a short one. The volunteers were beaten, and seventy were taken prisoners. Among the latter are two deputies to the Cortes. The troops now hold all parts of the city, and it is reported that the revolt has been completely suppressed.

Gen. Pierrad was arrested on Friday and taken to Tarragona.

LONDON, September 25.—The *Times* this morning in a leader on the Cuban question, says: He must be a clever man who can determine the intentions of the United States with respect to Cuba. There are two parties in the States; one favors non-intervention and the other approves Minister Sickles' course, and, finally, there is President Grant, who vibrates between the two. But there cannot be two opinions in regard to the blunder which Gen. Sickles has made. The prospect of the sale or loss of Cuba has caused a general and violent commotion in Madrid. The Spanish Government is bound to be extremely careful not to wound the national susceptibilities. There is no indication as to the readiness of the Spanish to fight, against any odds when honor is at stake. The only question is whether they are in a condition to fight at all, if the possession of Cuba is made a point of honor. Justice will help Spain better than force. Spain must consider whether she has a valid cause in the Antilles. However anxious Europe, not long ago, shrunk in America from what she deemed a just and generous cause. Austria and France may feel a desire to regain the prestige they lost in Mexico; but they must refute the assertions from America that the war in Cuba is carried on in a manner contrary to the principles of humanity. They must incur no risks of complicity in deeds of bloodshed. Nor must they bear out the pretensions of Spain in refusing the rights and reasonable demands of her colonies. Principles of righteousness must prevail over political interests and expediency. The sympathy of the world will be with Spain in proportion as her treatment of her colonies is just.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, September 25.—A new line of telegraph cable, to be laid between Ireland and Nova Scotia, is projected.

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Mr. Loullard, of the yacht Meteor, has issued a challenge for an ocean race, to take place this autumn or next spring, the stakes to be $4,000.

Specie to the amount of £39,000 has been withdrawn from the Bank of England for New York. Large amounts have also been drawn from the Bank of France for the same destination. The steamer Chins, which sailed yesterday, took out £164,000 in specie. One firm here has sent a quarter of a million pounds of specie to New York during the past week.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Sept. 25.—Prince Napoleon has returned to Paris, and was to day received by the Emperor.

PARIS, September 25.—The Emperor presided at the Council of Ministers to-day.

The Emperor and Empress to-day attended the races at Bois de Bologne.

The departure of the Empress, for the East, is fixed for the 30th inst.

An official denial is given to the report in circulation that Marshal Canrobert is about to leave the command of the First Army Corps, which is stationed in and around Paris.

PRUSSIA.

BERLIN, September 25.—The question raised in regard to the Catholic University of Fulda is probably to be settled by a new educational bill to be submitted to the Diet.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—*Eve.*—Consols, for money, 92¾; on account, 92¾@92¾. Five-twenty bonds: '62s, 82¾; '67s, 81¾; Ten-forties, 75¼; Erie, 76¼; Illinois, 93¾. Atlantic & Great Western, 27¾. Stocks quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 25.—Cotton firmer; middling uplands at 12¼@12¾; New Orleans at 12¼@12¾; sales 18,000 bales. California white wheat 10s 8d; red western 9s 4d@9s 5d. Western Flour 24s. Corn, mixed, 29s 9d. Oats 3s 6d. Peas 45s. Pork 112s. Beef 89s. Lard 75s. Cheese 62s. Bacon 65s 6d. Produce unchanged.

LONDON, September 25.—Tallow 47s 3d @47s 6d. Sugar 39s 6d@39s 9d. Calcutta Linseed, 62s 6d@62s 9d.

ANTWERP, Sept. 25.—Petroleum firm at 45f.

HAVRE, Sept. 25.—Cotton 145¼.

PARIS, Sept. 25.—Bourse dull. Rentes 70f 55c.

FRANKFORT, Sept. 25.—U. S. Bonds closed active and firm at 87@87¼.

HAVRE, Sept. 25.—Cotton closed quiet and unchanged.

FRANKFORT, Sept. 26.—U. S. Bonds flat. Five-Twenties, 86⅞.

CINCINNATI.

Monument to General McPherson—Railroad Accident—Senator Sherman on the Stump—Exhibitions.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CINCINNATI, September 25.—General Sheridan, Hazen, Buckland, Leggett and Hickenlooper, in connection with Gen. McPherson's brother, spent yesterday and to day examining plans for the McPherson Monument. Sixty-two models and drawings were presented. Two premiums had been offered for the best and second best plans. The second premium was awarded to Lewis Valk, of Chicago, and the first to T. D. Jones, of Cincinnati. The plan of the latter was adopted. It is a bronze equestrian statue in pedestal, Quincy and Scotch granite. The total height from the base of the pedestal to the top of the hat is twenty feet six inches, of which the pedestal is nine feet. The cost will be $20,000, of which $15,000 is now in the Treasury. The casting will be done in the United States.

The express train from Baltimore due here at four o'clock this morning was delayed five hours at Chillicothe, on the Marietta road, by the locomotive of the freight running into the rear of another freight at that place, and obstructing the track. The engineer, Mr. West, on the locomotive, was dangerously injured. The locomotive and freight cars were considerably damaged.

Rain commenced at eight o'clock this morning and is still falling. Thermometer 74 noon. The races to-day were consequently postponed till Monday.

Gen. Sherman spoke at Marietta to-day.

A successful Industrial Fair closed at Ripley yesterday.

The Cincinnati Horticultural Society closes its fair to-night. It has been very successful. The receipts have been large and the exhibition fine. Monday night it gives a grand ball at Pike's Hall.

About five hundred people responded to the call for a meeting of those favoring the expulsion of the Bible from common schools. The meeting was disorderly, resolutions favoring the expulsion of the Bible were presented, and the vote was so near a tie that the chairman could not decide. A division was called for, still the chairman could not decide, and the resolutions went by default. The prospect that the Board of Education, to-morrow night, will prohibit the reading of the Bible in the schools, amounts to almost a certainty.

The Union Cricket Club started to Indianapolis to-night to play to-morrow.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Postal Telegraph—Commercial Excursionists—Money Matters—International Immigrant Union — Postponement — Base Ball—Death of Commander T. K. Porter.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

SAN FRANCISCO, September 25.—At a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night, a resolution favoring the postal telegraph and requesting our Congressional delegation to advocate the same, was adopted.

The Cincinnati Commercial party were present and were warmly welcomed. Messrs. Hosea and Buchanan addressed the meeting. The former presented a resolution from the Cincinnati Chamber, congratulating the people of California on the completion of the Pacific railroad, etc.

Leading citizens are endeavoring to effect the organization of an International Immigration Union.

The banks still refuse to sell gold. Telegraphic transfers and express companies charge five per cent. transport. Gold legal tenders are selling at 75.

The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows postponed the consideration of the amendment to the constitution, changing the title of the Grand Lodge to Supreme Grand Lodge, until the next session.

Considerable excitement prevails among base ball players since the arrival of the Red Stockings. About two thousand spectators visited the grounds today to witness the match with the San Francisco Eagles. There were nine innings—Red Stockings 35; Eagles 4; and Stockings four home runs.

T. K. Porter, commander of the steamship Continental, hence from a Mexican port, died at sea September 15th. Porter was first officer of the rebel steamer Shenandoah at the time of her destruction.

The United States Court to-day granted an injunction against several dentists in the Goodyear rubber patent suits.

Election in Nashville.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NASHVILLE, September 25.—The municipal election to-day passed off quietly. The returns are incomplete, but the majority for Morris, Conservative candidate for Mayor, will be about 2,500. The Conservative ticket for aldermen and councilmen is also elected by a decided majority.

Rain at Philadelphia.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

PHILADELPHIA, September 26.—Heavy rain storms have prevailed here since last night. This is the first rain of any duration since June. The wind is strong from the south-east.

—The motion for a rehearing in the case of Wm. Kriel, who murdered his wife in March, 1868, in Louisville, has been overruled by the Court of Appeal and the mandate quashed. Kriel will be hung on the 7th of October, unless the Governor respites him.

—The Master Tailors of Boston acceded to the demands of the journeymen for an increase of wages.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE CAPITAL.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, September 25, 1869.

APPOINTMENTS.

Rear Admiral Henry K. Hoff is ordered to duty as a member of the Board of Examiners at Washington, Commodore John L. Worden to be Superintendent of the Naval Academy. Nathan Patten was appointed Collector of Customs for the District of Texas.

ADDITIONAL GOLD SALES.

The Secretary of the Treasury has authorized the Assistant Treasurer at New York to sell one million of gold each Tuesday and Friday till November 1st, commencing Tuesday next; also to purchase two millions of bonds each Wednesday till November 1st. These sales and purchases are in addition to sales and purchases on account of the sinking fund, which will be continued, and without change of the existing mode.

MONETARY.

Receipts fractional currency for the week, $,024,500; shipments, $937,447; mutilated bank notes burned, $187,300; bank currency issued, $241,580; actual circulation, $1,299,768,410; fractional currency reduced, $264,700; internal revenue receipts, to-day $408,287; total for the month, $10,818,326.

PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS.

Mr. F. E. Debille, accompanied by Secretary Fish, repaired to the Executive Mansion and presented his credentials as Minister from Denmark. He had for some time previous been Charge d'Affairs of that Kingdom.

TIME EXTENDED.

The time for the election in Mississippi has been extended one day, and will commence on Wednesday, December 1st.

THE ARCTIC REGION.

Return of Dr. Hall—Interesting Relics Supposed to Have Belonged to Sir John Franklin's Expedition.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NORWICH, CONN., September 26.—The whaling schooner Cornelia, Capt. Baker, has arrived at New London from Cumberland Inlet. She brings as passengers three men belonging to Dr. C. F. Hall's expedition in search of Sir John Franklin.

Dr. Hall is a passenger on board the ship Ansel Gibbs, for New Bedford. He has a number of articles belonging to Sir John Franklin, including some spoons and a chronometer box.

He was also successful in finding skeletons of many of his men and the remains of several of their boats. The skeletons and other relics were found at King William's Land.

The Cornelia brought an anchor found at the extreme North, marked E. S., 1776, which is supposed to have belonged to the first explorers.

Dr. Hall found a native who claims to know all about the party. He says the ship was stove, and the crew took to their boats and went ashore, where their provisions were exhausted and they died from starvation.

Ice and snow prevented Dr. Hall from making full explorations. He will return next summer and still further prosecute the search.

Ansel Gibbs will arrive at New Bedford in a day or two.

Arrival of Dr. Hall after an Absence of Five Years—He Brings with Him Five Esquimaux and Many Interesting Mementos of the Ill-fated Franklin Expedition—He will soon Publish the Result of his Explorations and Return in the spring to Push his Journeyings to the North Pole.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., September 26.—Dr. C. F. Hall, the distinguished Arctic explorer, with Ebierbung and Tookoolits, two Esquimaux, and three daughters, arrived at this port to-day in the ship Ansel Gibbs, from Repulse Bay, August 22d.

Dr. Hall brings as among the results of his five years' residence in the Arctic regions, most interesting intelligence in regard to the death of Sir John Franklin, and his companions, and conclusive proof that none of them ever reached Montreal Island. He saw natives who were the last to look upon Crozier and his party.

The Doctor also brings with him the remains of a young man who belonged to that ill-fated band of explorers, and also various relics of the explorations.

He has prepared a report, addressed to his friend Henry Grinnell, of New York, which will soon be given to the public, through the press.

Dr. Hall is by no means tired of exploration, and purposes next spring to start anew, and push his journeying to the North pole. He regards his experience of the last ten years as invaluable to him as preparation, and aid in the future.

In the report alluded to, he says: "Wherever I found that Sir John Franklin's companions had died I erected a monument, fired salutes and waved the star spangled banner over them, in memory of the discoverers of the North-West passage.

Counterfeiters Arrested and Committed.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BINGHAMPTON, September 25—H. Malter alias Oscar A. Bush, arrested in this city for aiding and assisting to sell counterfeit money, was yesterday brought before United States Commissioner Hall. The evidence and admission of the prisoner showed his connection with an extensive gang of counterfeiters operating along the line of the Erie Railway. He was held to bail in $5,000 to appear for trial at the October term of the United States Circuit Court at Albany, and in default was committed.

Still Another Bank Defaulter.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sept. 26.—A defalcation has been discovered in the National Exchange Bank, of this city, and the cashier has been arrested and held to bail. The amount so far discovered is about $25,000. The surplus of the bank will cover all probable deficiency. Bank Examiner Niggatt was instrumental in ferreting out this delinquency.

NEW YORK CITY.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, September 25, 1869.

The Episcopal Convention of New York meets next Wednesday, when it is understood the subject of the recent introductions of several ritualastic features a: St. Allins, will be brought before the convention. The complaint comes from the high church men themselves.

Bonner denies that Dexter is to trot for the benefit of the Avondale sufferers.

Solomon Mahler, a gold broker, committed suicide this morning.

Of the four or five men who attempted to ravish a woman at Green Point this morning, two named Quinn and Roe were shot, wounded and captured by the police.

The jury in the case of McDonald, indicted for the murder of Thomas E. Corwin, at the Rosendale Hotel, brought in a verdict of manslaughter. McDonald was sentenced to three years in prison. Mrs. Andrews, indicted as an accessory, was discharged.

The steamer Union, from Bremen, arrived to-night.

Carlotta Patti gave the opening concert to-night of a series to be extended through the country, at Steinway Hall.

A special cable dispatch dated London, September 25th states that the advices from Spain are interesting. Information coming from most reliable sources in Madrid has been received in refutation of the rumors which have been circulated to the effect that the United States Government has communicated with Minister Sickles, directing him to withdraw his note on the subject of a Cuban, sale or transfer, if the terms of the missive were not acceptable to the Spaniards. What Mr. Sickles did convey to Serrano and to the other Ministers of Spain, really amounted to this, that the Government of the United States may withdraw the offer of a friendly mediation on the part of the American people between Spain and the Cuban revolutionists leaving the responsibility of the consequences, as well as the consequences which may ensue, on Spain herself.

NEW YORK, September 26, 1869.

The steamships City of New York and City of Paris, from Liverpool, have arrived.

The First National Bank of Washington, N. J., was entered by burglars on Friday night, and yesterday the bank officers could not get into their vault, and were not able to ascertain the amount of the loss. It is said, however, the amount of funds on hand was small, that the standing of the bank will not be seriously affected.

Gunboat No. 1 of the Spanish Mosquito fleet, of thirty small boats, had a trial trip up North River yesterday afternoon. She ascended the river to West Point, her engines working well, and her success for war purposes being complete.

A south-east rain storm, accompanied by high winds, commenced here about 4 o'clock this morning and has continued all day. The rain this evening has been quite heavy and there is no prospect of its clearing off.

Judge Perris, of New York, Hon. Geo. A. Halsey, of New Jersey, Hon. A. F. Stevens and Dr. Ayer, of New Hampshire, Hon. John F. Asper, of Missouri, and Judge Loughridge, of Iowa, will leave Chicago Wednesday the 29th inst., accompanied by their ladies for California. Colonel N. G. Ordway, Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, and family, will leave Washington on Monday to join the party at Chicago. This is entirely a pleasure trip taken by the parties for the purpose of visiting the Pacific coast, and not a Committee of Congress, although several of the excursionists are members of that body.

In pursuance of the policy of the Administration in regard to Texas politics, W. B. Moore has been appointed Assessor, and Philip Branbach Collector of the Third District, Texas, vice Hays and Lane, suspended.

Secretary Fish left Washington last night for New York and will return there towards the close of the week.

The Gold Exchange Bank has declared its intention of settling all claims on last Friday's transactions at ten o'clock to-morrow. In making up its statements, the bank to-day threw out of consideration the parties who had failed to effect their clearances, and those who fail to do so by half-past ten to-morrow morning will not in future be allowed to have any transactions with the bank. It is believed that one well-known house has failed by the operations of last Friday.

Among the passengers by the steamship City of Paris, from Liverpool, were F. O. Lyman, A. Burnham, G. Bass, S. W. Rice and G. Fish, of the Harvard crew.

CUBA.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HAVANA, Sept. 24.—The Havana press, reviewing the situation, concludes that a majority of the Cubans are loyal. They cite in proof the solicitude of the Cuban Junta in New York to enlist American filibusters to fight the battles of the rebellion. The rebel officers here being unable to obtain recruits among the natives, the Spanish element in the Island is unanimously of the opinion that the Washington Government has no right to interfere in their affairs.

The officers of the Volunteer to-day had an interview with the Captain General and stated that they and the men under them, insisted on taking the field for active service. The Captain General replied that he did not need their services.

It is reported that General Jordan has written a letter to the Captain General proposing to surrender with his whole command upon being paid a certain sum of money, and that De Rodas refused the proposition.

Attempt to Throw a Train off the Track.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

ROCHESTER, September 26.—An attempt was made this evening to throw the westward bound Albany and Rochester accommodation train from the track between Newark and Palmyra, by means of a tie thrust down between the timbers of the bridge, and others across the track, the first was broken in two, and the train proceed slowly. The other ties were removed without accident. No trace of the miscreants was discovered.

CHICAGO.

Heavy Rain Storms—Vast Amount of Grain and Hay Destroyed—Democratic Nominations—Fight with Indians—A Woman Attempts to Shoot her Brother-in-law.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

CHICAGO, September 26.—A despatch from St. Paul says a deluge of water fell on Thursday and Friday nights, and the Mississippi river is again on the rise. All the bottom lands of the Minessota river are overflown, and the hay crop in that region, as well as on the large prairies, is ruined. Farmers from different sections claim that fully one-half of the grain crop, not threshed and harvested at the time of the previous storm, is ruined. Oliver Dalrymple, the largest wheat grower in the State, estimates the loss on his crop at 20,000 bushels. Good judges say the damage to the wheat alone by the late great storms throughout the State cannot be less than five million bushels, while two-thirds of the hay crop is worthless. The Anokah river has risen rapidly, carrying away the remaining logs belonging to Dean & Co., of Minneapolis.

The following are the nominations complete, made by the Minnesota Democratic State Convention: Govenor, George L. Otes, of Ramsey county; Lieutenant Governor, J. A. Wisewell, of Blue Earth county; Secretary of State, T. G. Pladeland, of Fillmore county, Auditor General, Louis A. Evans, of Stearnes county; Attorney General, Seagrove Smith, Dakotah county; State Treasurer, Casper Babrich, of Brown county; Chief Justice, Chas. E Hrudran, of Hennepin county; Clerk of the Supreme Court, W. T. Branewell, of McLeod county.

A special from Omaha says that reports received at headquarters from the Pawnee Reservation represent that quiet is restored. The Sioux, after a lively skirmish with the Pawnees, fled before the arrival of the cavalry, who pursued them nearly thirty miles. One Pawnee was killed and several wounded. The Pawnees claim to have killed and wounded have a dozen Sioux.

Mrs. Mary C. Smith, in connection with her husband, keeping a second hand store at 243 Madison street, yesterday morning went to the apartments of her brother-in-law, Wm. G. Casper, in Morrison Block, South Clark street, a dealer in pianos, and deliberately discharged three barrels of a seven shooter at him, and would have continued the same amusement until the whole seven shots had been expended had she not been forcibly prevented by the inmates of the building. One ball only took effect, inflicting a serious but it is believed, not a dangerous wound. Family troubles are at the bottom of the tragedy.

ST. LOUIS.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

Mistake Corrected—New Telegraph Rates—Visitors to the Fair—Overcoats in Demand—Heavy Damages.

ST. LOUIS, September 25.—The paragraph telegraphed a day or two ago, regarding the sale of the Mississippi Valley Telegraph lines, contained one of two errors. The amount of paper protested was only thirty thousand dollars instead of one hundred and fifty thousand, and the sale was made to the Pacific and Atlantic, instead of Atlantic and Pacific Company. The western Union Telegraph Company will put a new tariff system into effect on October first, based on air lines distances, which will equalize and greatly reduce rates between all points, especially in the South and Southwest, and do away with any apparent discrimination against small places.

A large party of ladies and gentlemen of Batesville, Arkansas, have chartered a steamboat for the purpose of visiting the great fair to be held here during the first week of October.

The weather changed suddenly, last week, and to-day light overcoats have been required for comfort.

Mrs. Elvina C. Huffman obtained twelve thousand dollars damages from the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company at Macon, Missouri, on Thursday, for injuries received about three years ago.

ST. LOUIS, September 26.—John T. Sayers was brought here Friday from Wellsville, Missouri, by the Marshall of this city, charged with being in complicity with two confederates in passing a large amount of counterfeit greenbacks, and drawing money on raised checks upon banks in Austin, Texas. Sixteen thousand dollars was realized in this way. Sayers and his confederates, one of whom, Pepper by name, was arrested and turned State's evidence. About thirty thousand dollars in counterfeit notes and a large quantity of raised drafts were found on the men. Sayers was taken to Texas yesterday in charge of B. M. Orden, who came here with a requisition from the Governor of Texas for the prisoner.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—There were thirty-three deaths in Memphis during the past week.

—There were thirty-nine deaths in Louisville during the past week.

—St. Louis has appointed ten delegates to the National Irish Immigration Convention to be held in that city on the 8th proximo.

—Messrs. Witt & Alford's planing mill at North Adams, Mass., was destroyed by fire Saturday. Loss $20,000; insurance $5,000.

—The dwelling of Mrs. Mack, of Lowell, Mass., was slightly damaged by fire Sunday morning, and her son, aged three years, was smothered to death.

—A dispatch from Omaha says, G. W. Frost, purchasing agent, has sued the Union Pacific Railway contractors for services during the past three years.

—J. Halloway Gates, the absconding book-keeper of the Bank of Montreal, was arrested in Buffalo Sunday morning and held for examination. The money was recovered.

—Henry C. Morse, Engineer and Gen. Supt. of the Missouri and Pacific Railroad, has resigned, and Robert Hall, formerly of the Chicago and Alton Railroad appointed his successor.

—H. David McKnight, James Mullhall, Heister Clymer and T. E. Ancona have been chosen by the City Council to represent the city of Reading in the Louisville Commercial Convention.

THE TORPEDO PATENT CASE.

Decision in the United States Circuit Court by Judge Grier.

The case of E. A. L. Roberts vs. the Reed Torpedo Company *et al.*, involving the right to use torpedoes, in oil wells, was decided in the U. S. Circuit Court, at Philadelphia, on Wednesday of last week. The case first came up in the Western District, and a preliminary injunction was granted by Judge McCandless, but counsel agreed to argue it in the Eastern District, for the accommodation of Judge Grier.

The Philadelphia *Post*, in a statement of the case, says:

Within the last few years the production in oil wells has been greatly increased by lowering down into them large iron flasks containing six to ten pounds of gun powder or nitro-glycerine, and then exploding the mass by means of a percussion cap on the top of the flask, on to which cap a weight was dropped from the top of the well. It was established by proofs in the case that most remarkable results had been produced in the oil region by the introduction of the torpedo by Mr. E. A. L. Roberts, the plaintiff. Thus in the Eureka well, which was producing only three barrels a day, a Roberts' torpedo was exploded, and its production increased to 180 barrels a day; Hyner well was increased from 3 to 30 barrels per day; Keystone well from 5 to 175 barrels per day; Neill well from 3 to 80 barrels per day; Tarr Homestead well was increased 65 barrels per day; Keystone well from 15 to 200 barrels per day.

These were only a few out of numerous cases where Roberts had succeeded. The annual production of oil due to the use of the torpedo was admitted by defendants in their argument to already have reached several millions of dollars.

After Roberts had succeeded in introducing his invention, Mr. Reed, of Titusville, united with a former agent of Roberts, Mr. Marston, and set up a claim as a rival inventor to Roberts. They organized the "Reed Torpedo Company," the object of which was to make and sell to oil men torpedoes at a low rate, and to defeat Roberts's patent. The defendants based their claim upon certain trials made by Reed of torpedoes in 1863. The defendants did not deny that they were infringing the Roberts patent, but insisted that it was void by reason of what Reed had done. The plaintiff contended that Reed was merely an unsuccessful experimenter, who had abandoned his torpedo as worthless before Roberts's patent was issued.

The oil men united with defendants to defeat the patent, and raised a large fund. They were represented at the argument by Charles M. Keller, of New York, Hon. S. A. Purviance, and B. F. Lucas, of Pittsburgh. Roberts, the patentee, was represented by Bakewell and & Christy, of Pittsburgh, and George Harding, of Philadelphia.

Judge Grier on Wednesday delivered the following opinion, deciding in favor of the validity of plaintiff's patent and granting a perpetual injunction:

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 April, 1865. This is *prima facie* evidence of a good title, and puts on the respondents the burthen 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. 299), 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 complainant's patent of April 25, 1865.

"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 wholly unsuccessful, imagined that he had the best right to the invention, and after purchasing one or more of complainant's torpedoes, he applied, on the 1st of November, 1867, for a patent for substantially the same combination of devices or machines 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 its 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, Circuit Judge.

Professor M. F. Eaton.

We had the pleasure of a call from this veteran educator, so long and successfully engaged as a teacher in this city, and so well known, especially as Professor of Elocution in the University. Prof. Eaton has resided for some time in Philadelphia, where he has devoted himself to the conducting of an institution for the treatment of stammering and other vocal impediments. His marked success in this most laudable enterprise is attested by eminent professional gentlemen both of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. We would suggest to stammerers hereabouts that some effort should be made to induce Prof. Eaton to spend a season at Pittsburgh for their benefit. No one thus afflicted but would most gladly be relieved, as, by proper training they can certainly be relieved of a most painful and unpleasant infirmity. We commend the subject to their serious consideration.

NEW ORLEANS, September 25.—Cotton firmer: sale of 2,300 bales middlings at 26¾c; receipts 2,388 bales; exports coastwise 1,976 bales. Flour $5,85@6,12. Corn $1,07½c for white. Oats 60c. Bran $1,20. Pork $34. Whisky $1,30. Other articles unchanged. Gold 34½. Sterling 44½. New York sight par.

NASHVILLE, September 25.—Wheat firm; red $1,20, amber $1,25, white $1,30. Corn $1. Oats 70c. Rye $1. Barley $1,50. Flour $8. Bacon: sides 19½c, hams 20c.