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afforded them by circumstances of obtaining from Judge Treat, whose ourstely state or closely approximate opinions on patent cases rank among the result of the past or any season's the first in the country, an expression work. With the exception of the

BARBED WIRE.

Revenues Amounting to Millions of Controversy.

than those now pending in the United States Circuit Court in this district,

ease this particular industry from all restrictions and to save to farmers and ranchmen several millions of dollars annually. This statement would seem to deal with hyperbolical figures, but the facts are that there were, according to the estimates of the best qualified judges, nearly 80,000 tons of barbed wire manufactured in the United States in 1882; that this signifies a total length of about 500,000 miles of wire, and that upon the manufacture the firms claiming under their patents the exclusive right to manufacture barbed exclusive right to manufacture barbed wire, made within the year in royalties from their licensees and from ex-tra profits in their own business, corresponding to the royalties in amount, between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000; and the business is continually increasing. As additional thousands of miles of territory are settled up the need for fencing is increased, and as the barbed wire, in spite of the pat-entee's royalties, is the cheapest and most convenient fencing material yet known to the world, the business in it continues to grow at an enormous rate. It is this fact that gave rise to the struggle now taking place in the courts. Revenues of the size of those above named are worth fighting for, and lawyers of the highest standing in the country, many of them with great reputations saide from what is mown as patent law practice, are engaged in the conflict.

the issues and reissues have been almost innumerable. All of these, or at least all of them that possessed practical business features, have been from time to time, acquired by the Washburn & Moen manufacturing company, of Worcester, Massachusetts, and Isaac L. Elwood, of De Kalb, Illinois, the plaintiffs in the

knowledge by subsequent reissues. It s precisely here that the controversy vitally at variance with the original patents and invalid, the business of manufacturing barbed wire will be thrown open to the public without re-

appeal from the decision of the circuit court, they having, as now claimed by defendants in the present cases, been pale a handsome sum to

FOREGO THAT RIGHT. subject of evidence.

were argued lest winter at Keckuk, at least how excitement and continue before Circuit Judge McCrary and when the truth shall be known. District Judge Love, and the decision reserved. Subsequently eight suits defendants, namely, three against the tion of a situation so replete with Simmons hardware company, two promise as it exists in the Hills. I Simmons hardware company, two promise as it exists in the Hills. I against Fuchs, two against Gates, and notice in a recent report from Wash-

derived from reasoning based upon arguments in an independent but entirely similar proceeding to that over which they presided at Keokuk. Counsel on both sides concluded their spection, and as those companies by

A Succinct History of the Cases
Now Pending In the United States Circuit
Ocurt.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Probably there has never occurred in St. Louis a civil trial that involves wider interest, or attracts greater attention throughout the entire country

*Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetathan those now pending in the United sile of the congruence of the wire patents, there is another, though subordinate, controversy to be decided—namely, on the validity of the patents for the machines to manufacture the wire. Under patents possessed by plaintiffs suits in this regard have been brought against H. Fuchs and Gustave Griesche for infringement and injunction. The briefs on this branch of the subject have to be filed by Saturday next.

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The Mining Prospect This Season-What May be Expected of the Carbonate Discovery-Some Alaskan Experiences.

or very promising claims.

As frequently pronounced now-a days the name is very comprehensive, being made to cover not only the Seward purchase at Behring Strait, but all of British Columbia and much contiguous territory. In fact, as I prosecute my investigations I discover that the threatened stampede will not reach Alaska proper at all, but is destined for the headwaters of the Yukan, about 300 miles north of Kootenay, B. C. Transportation is secured at San Francisco, by coasters, to Victoof the cases and their reasons of being can not fail to be of interest. The earliest barbed wire patent was issued in 1867 to one Hunt, since which time the issues and releases have been all the cannot recall, where cannoes are obtained and an ascent of the river continued for 150 miles further. From this point the trip is completed on foot, dragging supplies in sledges over the 300 miles old camps were depopulated and the

According to their testimony, a wilder, and 5,000 ounces, which circumstance more rugged and more uninviting secorested the reasonable impression that takes place and where the battle has to be fought out. If the issues are declared to be within the meaning and clared to be within the meaning and mountains are of great altitude, thickintention of the original patents, or if they are, in other words, valid, the defendants here will have been guilty of infringement. If otherwise, and the courts should declare the reissues the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the courts should declare the reissues ber and the accummulated the reissues ber and the accummulated the reissues ber accummulated the reissues a snow and ice, while the guiches are very narrow and present an indescribable jungle of dead timber and the accummulated debris of ages, beneath which run, with unmusical roar, vast volumes ties. In 1880 the plaintiffs, the Washburn & Moen Manufacturing company and Isaac L. Elwood, acting under their patents, secured in Chicago in the United States circuit court for the Northern district of Illinois, a final decree against Jacob Haish and others, who were adjudged guilty of infringing the Kelly and Glidden reliesues. The defendants then took no appeal from the decision of the circuit of water. Occasionally streams of conabundant is the snow, and is at all larged scale the furore of two years times attended with the utmost diffitimes attended with the utmost diffi-culty. The ground is never bare nor ree of frost, and is marked with about the same facility and similar appli-lem. The great carbonate bed This, however, is a mere allegation opening flinty quartz mines. Minof defendants here, and has not, so far eral exists in great variety, including as could be learned, been yet made the gold, silver and copper, but in quantigold, silver and copper, but in quanti-ties that could not be determined by a hill and carbonites were upon every with the precedent thus established by the Chicago decision, the Wash-burn & Moen company and Elwood closed up every barbed wire factory in the United States and secured for themselves an enormously profitable business, they and their licensees having a monopoly and being enabled to fix prices at a figure which yielded them princely revenues, the royaltes alone amounting to between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000.

Subsequent to the decisions in Chi-Subsequent to the decisions in Chicago in the Haish and similar cases, the Mongolians were shy, suspicthe supreme court of the United ious and reticent, and would not im-States rendered two docisions which part any information of value, but appeared to entirely overturn the from close observation the visitors basis on which the Chicago case had considered that the diggings were payrested. These decisions were on en- ing about \$6 a day to a man, and were tirely different subjects, but went to very shallow - not to exceed ten feet, the principle of the right to embody It was also apparent that a working in a reissue of a patent matter not ex-pressly claimed in the original. This duration.

set the defendants in the present Such, in brief, is the country to cases on inquiry, and the result was the establishment both in St. Louis dissatisfied miners are now looking, and in Iows of several factories for and in which many will find bitter dis-the production of barbed wire. Suit appointment and sorrow before the was then brought, first against the year shall close. Difficult of access
Iowa defendants, and an injunction and with an incomparably unfavor asked for to restrain the further opera- able climate, I fall to see how the tions of defendants. These cases country can create any excitement, or

A BRIGHTER PICTURE. It is pleasant to turn from a picture were brought against the St. Louis of such abject gloom to a contemplaone against Griesche. These are now in course of trial before Judge Treat, and it is probable the Iowa cases and St. Louis cases will all be settled at one time, and in one way, as it is natural to suppose that Judges McCrary and Love will be GLAD OF THE OFFORTUNITY

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notice in a recent report from Washington that there was a perceptible if not material decline in the preclous metal output of this locality during the past year, and, while I am not prepared to demonstrate the truth or falsity of the statement, I cannot abstain from declaring my disbelief, and from insisting that no individual, company, department or bureau can account the past year, and while I am not prepared to demonstrate the truth or falsity of the statement, I cannot abstain from declaring my disbelief, and from insisting that no individual, com-

oral arguments last week, and have been allowed till Wednesday next to file printed briefs.

In addition to the wire patents, there is another, though subordinate.

UPON THE RESULT OF WHICH
depends the validity of every patent under which the manufacture of barbed wire fencing is now conducted. There are eight of these cases pending in this district, and several others in Iowa, and the effect, should the patents be declared invalid, will be to reble Compound is a most valuable med-icine for ladies of all ages who may be lleved, put up a 120-stamp mill on Whitewood, at the mouth of Spruce gulch, to be connected with its mine a mile and a half distant by rail. The Oro Fino will immediately erect large holsting works. Col. Davey is already engaged trebling the capacity of the old Florence Silver mill, formerly owned by a St. Paul company. Twenty-stamps will be added to the Golden Summit mill. In addition to these DEADWOOD, Dak., April 3.—Mining communities live on excitement, novelty, change; which, if not bestowed, mation, among which may be enumerworks, positively determined upon, mation, among which may be enumerengenders discontent, restlessness and ated large reduction works by the emigration. Uniform prosperity en- Royal Arch, Berkshire and Welcome joyed in fixed localities and running companies, whose property is located in established grooves becomes monot-onous and unappreciated. Hence it is that with the occurrence of spring izing at New York to develop Box the average miner casts about for new and distant "diggings"—the more remote the better—and is allured by the faintest report upon often the wildest kind of a wild goose chase, involving the abandonment of very rich casts about for new York to develop Box Elder property; by the Minnesota and other companies operating Rochford district, and several of Custer county—all quartz enterprises. There are also numerous placer companies preparing for an active respectively. Alaska, the present goal of many, is doubtless the only territory on the continent, remaining undeveloped.

As frequently pronounced now-a days

Creek Falls Hydraulic company, Nigactive sesson, prominent among which

Two years ago, it will be remem-bered, great excitement was created by the discovery of carbonates almost identical with that in character and formation which created and rendered permanent the value of Leadville, Col. Excitement here was intense. Companies were formed by the hunnew district was overrun with enthusiastic, not to say half crazed, prospectors, while every road leading to the Hills was thronged with stampeders Kalb, Illinois, the plaintiffs in the cases referred to.

Of all the numerous patents the only practical ones are those known as the Kelly and Glidden patents, the original issues of which have been, as claimed by defendants in the suits, enlarged and amplified out of all knowledge by subsequent reissues. It from other territories and the states.

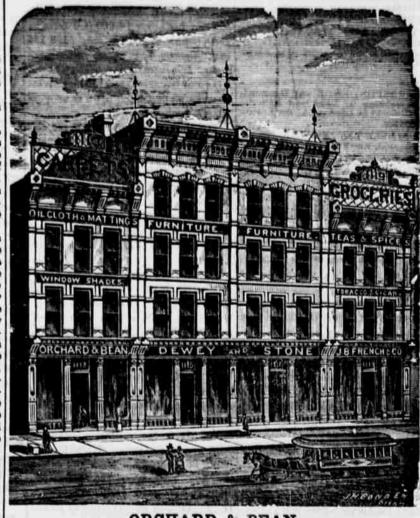
> Among the few who cherished ut-most faith in the presence of a valua-ble mineral deposit at greater or less pli-in was exposed. Strenuous efforts were made to keep the discovery se-cret, but good news travels fast in minreports of the strike. It is impossible 6h Street, 2d Door North of Dodge,

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