

Effect of disclaimer.

valid for much of the invention as is truly the disclaimant's own and not disclaimed, provided it be a material and substantial part of the invention, and definitely distinguished from other parts claimed without right; and the disclaimant shall be entitled to maintain a suit for such part accordingly.

ASSIGNMENT AND INFRINGEMENT OF PATENTS.

Government may use patented invention.

21. The Government of Canada may always use any patented invention, paying to the patentee such sum as the Commissioner may report to be a reasonable compensation for the use thereof.

Patents to be assignable.

22. Every patent for an invention whensover issued shall be assignable in law either as to the whole interest or as to any part thereof, by any instrument in writing; but such assignment, and also every grant and conveyance of any exclusive right to make and use and to grant to others the right to make and use the invention patented, within and throughout Canada or any part thereof, shall be registered in the office of the Commissioner, in the manner from time to time adopted by the Commissioner of Patents for such registration; and every assignment affecting a patent for invention shall be deemed null and void against any subsequent assignee unless such instrument is registered as hereinbefore prescribed, before the registering of the instrument under which such subsequent assignee may claim.

Remedy for infringement of patent.

23. Every person who, without the consent in writing of the patentee, makes, constructs or puts in practice any invention for which a patent has been obtained under this Act or any previous Act, or procures such invention from any person not authorized to make or use it by the patentee, and uses it, shall be liable to the patentee in an action of damages for so doing;—and the judgment shall be enforced, and the damages and costs that may be adjudged, shall be recovered in like manner as in other cases in the Court in which the action is brought.

Action for infringement of patent.

24. An action for the infringement of a patent may be brought before any Court of Record having jurisdiction to the amount of damages asked for, and having its sittings within the Province in which the infringement is said to have taken place, and being, at the same time, of the Courts of such jurisdiction within such Province, the one of which the place of holding is nearest to the place of residence or of business of the defendant; and such Court shall decide the case and determine as to costs. In any action for the infringement of a patent, the court, if sitting, or any Judge thereof in chambers, if the Court be not sitting, may, on the application of the plaintiff or defendant respectively, make such order for an injunction, restraining the opposite party from further use, manufacture, or sale of the subject matter of the patent, and for his punishment in the event of disobedience to such order, or for inspection or account, and respecting the same and the proceed-

Injunction may issue.