

CONGRESS, 1822, LOGGED AT PHILADELPHIA

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James Bennett Had Idea He Could Monopolize Aerial Traffic for Forty Years—Petition Lost.

Just eighty-six years ago an effort was made to obtain from Congress an appropriation to promote the invention of flying machines.

But the lawmakers in those days were more skeptical than they are now, and the petition of James Bennett, the inventor of a machine which was to navigate the air, died in a House committee just as many meritorious measures die today.

Monday, March 25. Among the petitions this day presented was the following by Mr. Bennett: James Bennett, a mathematician of the city of Philadelphia, to the honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, most respectfully sheweth:

Patent No Good. That your petitioner, having invented a machine by which a man can fly through the air, soar to any height, steer in any direction, can start from any place, and alight without risk of injury; and, whereas, a like machine has never been invented in any country or age of the world, so as to be applied to purposes of practical utility, and as it is more than probable that artificial flying would not, for a thousand years to come, be brought to the same degree of perfection had not your petitioner under Providence accomplished it; and, as it is most evident to all that Letters Patent would be of little use to the inventor in consequence of various modifications or improvements which might be made, and which never would have been thought of, had not the way been opened by your petitioner; He therefore solicits a special act of Congress of the United States to secure to him the right of steering flying machines through that portion of earth's atmosphere which presses on the United States, or so far as their jurisdiction may extend.

By granting your petitioner's request, the honor of the invention shall be conferred on the United States.

J. BENNETT, A. and M. Philadelphia, Feb. 13, 1822.

Mr. Milnor moved to refer the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Sargeant opposed the motion. He said that that committee did not soar into regions so high. Their duties were nearer the earth. He moved to lay it on the table—Lost.

Mr. Walworth moved to refer it to the Committee on Roads and Canals—Lost.

Running on Mr. Milnor's motion to refer to Judiciary, Mr. Sargeant opposed it on the ground not only that it was above their reach, but also that they had so much to do before the end of a terrestrial character, that they could not devote their time to philosophical and aerial investigations.

Then laid on table.

To Select Committee.

Petition on March 27 referred to a Select Committee.

On Monday, April 1, Representative Keys presented petition of David B. Lee, of Philadelphia, setting forth that he is the original inventor of the flying machine mentioned in petition of James Bennett, and praying that no right or privilege may be granted to said Bennett on account of said invention, but that Congress grant him, Lee, exclusive right and privileges of navigating the atmosphere either with flying machines or with navigable balloons throughout the United States. Referred to special committee.

The foregoing record is taken from the pages of the annals of Congress. If the Select Committee ever made a report on the Bennett petition, the record does not appear in the records. Representatives William Milnor and John Sargeant, from Philadelphia as Representative Keys and Representative Reuben Hyde Walworth came from New York city.

It would seem that Inventor Bennett anticipated Wright by more than three-quarters of a century, but then there is no evidence of record that Bennett ever constructed a flying machine except on paper.

MUCH IN LITTLE.

New York city consumes 78,000 pounds of butter each day.

Vessels move faster through deep water with the same amount of power.

The tobacco industry of France is a government monopoly, yielding \$93,000,000 a year.

In Austria and France the provision of rescue apparatus in mines is made compulsory.

Stamps up to the denomination of \$50 have been issued by the government of Victoria, Australia.

An animal with the strength of a lion and the jumping capacity of a flea would hop one-third of a mile.

The charitable people of London have formed a union to see that the money given is properly spent.

A Hungarian has invented a washing machine which, with electrified water, will cleanse 300 garments in less than fifteen minutes without the aid of soap.

Among other things, the human body contains carbon, calcium, phosphorus, sodium, sulphur, potassium, magnesium, iron, copper, lead and zinc, lithium, mercury, arsenic, and other solids.

Of the 600,000 miles of railway in the world only about 10 per cent are found in strictly tropical territory, and no more than 15 per cent within what would be termed tropical and subtropical areas. Tracks abound in the temperate zone.

The German Empire contains 1,600 boot and shoe factories, employing 60,000 workmen, who are earning between them the sum of \$2,000,000 per annum. Last year 60,000,000 pairs of boots and shoes were made in the empire, whose total value was \$75,000,000.

EXPLAINED.

A cow swallowed a \$5 gold piece several days ago and the coin was recently discovered in her stomach after she was butchered. Her owner often wondered what made her milk so rich.

Mended Kid Gloves 50c pr

Qualities sold regularly at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50. After the most successful sale in our history we shall close out the balance of our big purchase of "Mended" Kid Gloves tomorrow at the astonishingly low price of 50c a pair.

October's First and Most Important Remnant Sale

The figures and facts about Friday's Remnant Sale will appeal to every purse through the power of the wonderful economies it offers in fall merchandise of the most desirable sort. Personal needs and household wants may be supplied at prices astonishingly low. Read carefully the good news detailed in this announcement and let nothing prevent you from being present tomorrow.

FRIDAY'S BIG SALE OF Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Stylish Trimmings

We have achieved a reputation for underselling in Millinery which no other Washington store enjoys. And this reputation is well merited—for we are continually demonstrating that our prices are noticeably less than asked elsewhere for equal grades. This fact linked with newest styles and greatest variety is bringing us more business in millinery each season.

- FRIDAY'S BIG SALE OF Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Stylish Trimmings at Interestingly Low Prices. Fine quality Untrimmed Satin Hats, in a line of leading shapes—including large hats, medium size hats and small hats, in black and stylish two-tone colorings. Hats actually worth \$2.00 and \$2.50. 98c Choice Friday at \$1.98. Fine quality French Felt Untrimmed Hats, in a large variety of the season's most approved shapes, in the very large hats, large, medium size, and small hats. All the most fashionable effects are represented, including the new dome crowns, the flat low crowns and high crowns, mushrooms and side roll brims.



Women's Suits, Skirts, and Coats Small Lots at Big Reductions

- One rich Olive Green Suit, plain tailored, light-fitting pointed jacket, slightly faded; sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50. Worth \$13.75. Reduced to \$8.75. Odd lot of Women's Cloth Walking Skirts, fancy gray stripe, light tan Panama, brown mohair, and plain gray Panama. Values \$1.50 to \$3.50. Reduced to \$1.50. 5 Rich Brown Mohair Walking Skirts and Three Handsome Brown Panama Skirts, very nicely tailored, various lengths. Value worth up to \$3.50. Reduced to \$2.98. 5 Imported Tan Corduroy Covert Cloth Jackets, long tourist style, full loose fitting; sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50. Reduced from \$12.00 to \$4.75. One Plum Color Broadcloth Suit, 36-inch coat, semi-fitting effect; size 32, left from a line that sold for \$25.75. Reduced to \$15.75.

Juvenile Dept. Dress Goods Remnants, 23c a yd Worth Up to 50c

- 11 Misses' Ripple Elderdown Bath Robes, in light blue only; finished with heavy cord and tassels; sizes 10, 12, 14, and 16 years. Sold regularly for \$3.00. Reduced to \$1.69. 7 infants' Gowns, made of fancy German flannel; finished with cord and tassels; sizes up to three years. Regular price, \$1.00 each. Reduced to 59c. Lot of Girls' School Dresses, of all-wool Cashmere and Serge, in red, brown, navy, and green; sizes up to 14 years. Values \$1.00 to \$3.00. Reduced to \$1.69. Lot of children's fall weight Reefers, in blue and novelty cloth. Sizes are broken. Regular \$1.39. Remnant price, \$1.39. Lot of children's Flannellette Rompers, in neat stripes and checks; also flannellette dresses; sizes up to 14 years. Reduced to 25c. 10 all-wool Serge Sailor Suits, in navy blue and brown, with embroidered emblems and wide tie; sizes up to 14 years. Reduced from \$4.00 to \$2.98. Small lot of children's fall weight Caps of embroidered and tuckered silk, with silk linings. Values worth up to \$1.00. Remnant price, 39c.

Silk Remnants

- 5 pieces of colored Silk Poplin, in self-colored neat figures, colors include pink, old rose, tan, green, and blue. Worth \$2.00 yard. Reduced to 25c. 2 pieces of 36-inch Black Taffeta Silk, extra heavy rustling, with high luster, guaranteed. Reduced to 89c. 2 pieces of 36-inch Black Taffeta Silk, extra heavy rustling, with high luster, guaranteed. Reduced to 89c. 2 pieces of 36-inch Black Taffeta Silk, extra heavy rustling, with high luster, guaranteed. Reduced to 89c. 2 pieces of 36-inch Black Taffeta Silk, extra heavy rustling, with high luster, guaranteed. Reduced to 89c.

Usual 25c and 50c Rings, 10c Each Gold Shell "Pinkey Rings," the popular large stone set rings, the latest fad of the season, well made, pretty settings of turquoise matrix, lapis, jade, &c. Regular 25c and 50c values. Reduced to 10c.

Goldenberg's "The Dependable Store" Seventh and K Streets

Sale of "MILL LENGTHS" of Heavy Floor Oilcloth 19c Worth 35c and 40c yard.....

Muslin Underwear, Corsets and Other Wearables Reduced

- Lot of women's Muslin, Cambrie, and Nainsook Underwear, including skirts, drawers, gowns, corset covers, chemises, and combination garments, trimmed with lace and embroidery, only one and two of each kind; slightly soiled from handling. Regular values worth up to \$1.00. Reduced to 98c. Lot of Muslin and Cambrie Drawers with ruffles; low neck corset covers; full blouse front; trimmed with lace and ribbon and white aprons; slightly soiled. Regular price, 7c. Remnant price, 7c. Small lot of low neck Corset Covers, trimmed with lace in black and colors. Val. \$1.00. Regular price 25c. Remnant price, 10c. 12 women's Coat Sweaters, in silver gray, with pockets and pearl buttons, nearly all sizes. Regular \$1.50 value for..... 79c. Lot of women's short Flannellette Kimonos and Dressing Scares, in Persian patterns; some have belts. Regular price, 60c. Remnant price, 39c. Lot of "Thompson's" Glove Fitting and "P. N." Corsets, of batiste and coutil, with garters attached; broken sizes. Regular price, \$1.00. Reduced to 59c. 10 black and colored Taffeta Silk Petticoats; some have ruffles and extra dust ruffle. Regular \$3.00 value. Reduced to \$2.98. Small lot of Heatherblom, Moore and Nearsilk Petticoats, with pleated and embroidered ruffles; in black and colors. Val. \$1.69. Reduced to \$1.69. Small lot of women's Moore, Sateen and Nearsilk Petticoats, in black and colors. Regular 68c. price \$1.00. Remnant price, 48c. Lot of white and colored Knit Petticoats, with fancy borders. Reduced to 48c.

Rousing Friday Sale of Men's Fall Suits, \$7.25 Worth \$10 to \$15, for.....

- Because this is a lot of two and three of a kind suits left from regular lines and sizes are incomplete, we have marked them for immediate clearance. You haven't been offered a bigger or better clothing opportunity this fall. The lot consists of men's stylish fall and winter weight Suits of Cassimeres, Cheviots, and Worsteds, in neat stripes, checks and plaids; correct three-button sack style. Sizes 34 to 40 in the lot. Values actually worth ten to fifteen dollars, tomorrow for \$7.25. 75 pairs of Men's winter and fall weight pants, made of good quality worsted and cassimeres, effect, worsted all dark colors; sizes 22 and 40. Actual \$2.50 and \$3.00 values for..... \$1.49. 3 Men's fall weight Covert Cloth Top Coats in tan, full Venetian cloth lined and finished with cuff sleeves; sizes 34 to 42. Regular \$15.00 value. Reduced to \$8.75. 5 Men's Raincoats made of dark gray and herringbone effect, worsted material; quarter lined; center seam and long vent; sizes 35 and 40. Values worth up to \$12.50. Reduced to \$7.50. Lot of fine quality Men's and Young Men's new fall Derby Hats, in brown and black; in all the latest blocks; sizes up to 7 1/2. Regular \$2.50 values for..... \$1.59. Lot of Men's fancy vests, in a variety of good colors; in 5 and 6 button style, sizes up to 40. Values worth up to \$2.50. Remnant price, \$1.19. 15 Young Men's fall weight 2-piece long pants Suits; in neat dark patterns, single and double breasted; sizes 15 to 18. Values worth up to \$10.00. Reduced to \$6.49.

Men's Furnishings

- Men's Neglige Shirts, in neat black and white effects, also plain white pleats, odd sizes. Regular 35c and 40c values. For..... 35c. Men's Lisle Garters, made of good strong elastic webbing, with rustless trimmings, in plain colors only. Regular price, 15c. Remnant price, 6 1/2c. Men's Derby Ribbed Medium Weight Undershirts, in blue only. Broken sizes. Worth 50c. Reduced to 25c. Men's Sanitary Fleece Lined Underwear, shirts and drawers to match, shirts with taped seams, 12 1/2 inches wide, reinforced seat. Sizes up to 44. Regular price 50c. Remnant price, 39c. Men's "Guyot" Suspenders, in dark blue only. Sold regularly for 10c. Reduced to 35c. Men's All Wool Sweaters, made with V neck, in plain and combination colors; odd sizes. Values worth up to \$2.50. For..... 98c.

Rugs and Mattings, Remnant Lots

- Lot of 14 9x11 ft. all-wool 8-wire Tapestry Brussels Rugs, the well known Alexander, Smith & Sons' Perfectly matched patterns, in navy blue, floral and medallion designs. Colorings of red, green, blue, tan, brown and rose. Large room size Rugs sold regularly at \$15 and \$16.50 for..... \$9.65. Lot of 28 27x54 in. and 27x60 in. best quality Axminster Rugs, in floral and medallion designs. Light and dark colorings, including rich reds, greens, tan and rose. Sold regularly at \$3. Remnant price..... \$1.69. Lot of 4 9x12 ft. Axminster Rugs, in handsome Persian and floral designs. Colors of red, green, and tan. Sold regularly at \$30. Remnant price..... \$19.98. 15 rolls of seamless China Mattings, heavy weight, close woven, smooth even edge quality. Colorings of green, blue and red stripes and checks. One and two rolls of a kind. Each roll contains full 40 yards. Sold at 15c a yard. Remnant price per roll..... \$4.48. Remnants of fine quality 180-warp Japanese Mattings, in lengths from 5 to 25 yards. Also a few odd rolls of Japanese Mattings, close woven long rush straw quality with usually with navy blue, include red, green and blue. Usual 25c and 30c kinds, per yard at..... 15c.

Friday's Shoe Bargains

- Women's Three-strap Kid Slippers, with patent tips and military heels. C and D widths. Worth \$1.50 pair. Reduced to \$1.00. Women's "Comfort" Lace Shoes, plain toes and round toes, with patent tips. Hand-turned. Worth \$2.00 and \$2.50 pair. Reduced to \$1.69. Women's Wine Calf Oxford Ties, well soles, plain and tipped styles. Full width. Worth \$3.50 a pair. Reduced to \$1.95. Men's House Slippers, in tan and black leathers; high Roman and low opera cuts. Broken lots of lines sold at \$1.25, \$1.37, and \$1.50 a pair, for..... 98c. Little Boys' Solid Leather School Shoes, of Box Calf and Satin calf; sizes 11 to 2. Worth \$1.25 and \$1.37 a pair. Reduced to 98c. Girls' Kidskin and Calf Shoes, for school wear; in blucher lace, and button styles. Spring and low heels. Sizes 12 to 2. E, E 1/2 and EE widths. Reduced to 95c. Lot of Boys' Shoes of Tan Calf, in blucher style; sizes 12 to 5 1/2. Sold regularly at \$2.00 pair. Friday at..... \$1.25. Women's Hand-sewed Julietts and House Shoes; sizes 3 to 8—good, comfortable styles; sold regularly at \$1.50 a pair. Remnant price..... \$1.19. Women's Black Kidskin Shoes, in button and lace styles; also Gun Metal Calf Blucher Shoes, in D and E widths. Sizes 2 1/2 to 7. Sold at \$2 a pair. Reduced to \$1.48. Black Shoe Laces for high or low shoes; in 3-4, 4-4, and 5-4 lengths. Friday at six pairs for..... 5c.

Remnants and Mill Ends of Sheets, Outing Cloths, Gingham, etc.

- 25 dozen linen finish Bleached Sheets; size Sixty, large double bed size, hand torn and ironed, finished with 3-inch hem, made from close woven cotton, with sear in the center. Regular 50c value. Remnant price..... 45c. Mill Ends of 36-inch Unbleached Cotton, a close round thread quality, in lengths from 3 to 12 yards. Regular 75c yd. Reduced to..... 42c. Mill Ends of 36-inch "Empire" Bleached Cotton, a heavy close woven grade, free from starch, suitable for women's underwear. Sold regularly for 10c yard. Remnant price..... 7c. 27-inch Unbleached Canton Flannel, a heavy close nap quality, very desirable for underwear. Regular price 12 1/2c. Reduced to..... 9c.

Laces and Embroideries

- 10c and 12 1/2c Point de Paris Laces, extra wide widths. 12 1/2c Cluny Lace Bands, white only. 5 Torchon Laces, assorted widths. 10c Venice Lace Ribbons. 25c Japanese Lanyard Work, remnant price each. 2c 5c Embroideries, edgings and insertings. 12c Corset Cover Embroidery, 18 inches wide. 12c Swiss and Nainsook Embroideries, in dainty baby patterns. Remnant price, yard.

Art Goods

- 10c Swiss Braided Scarfs, assorted colors, full size. 10c Stamped Centerpieces, in floral designs. 12c Japanese Lanyard Work, Dollies. 10c Fine quality Damask Tray Covers, with drawn work centers. 12c Lace Trimmed and Scalloped edge Scarfs and Shams. 37c 30c Swiss Embroidered Scarfs and Shams. 19c

Neckwear

- Silk Chiffon Ruching, white and colors, cut in neck lengths for..... 3c. 25c Silk Mesh Veiling, black and colors, in yard bunches for..... 5c. 10c Embroidered Linen Dutch Collars..... 8c. 25c Crumpled Stocks and Ascot Ties..... 15c. 5c Silk Bows in plain colors..... 9c.

Handkerchiefs

- Women's White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs; worth 5c each for..... 2 1/2c. Men's Initial Plain Hemstitched Border Handkerchiefs; values worth up to 10c and 15c each. 8c. Women's Pure Linen Novelty Handkerchiefs..... 8c. 12c Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs with scalloped and hemstitched borders..... 7c.

Ribbon Remnants

- Tomorrow's remnant sale of ribbons is unusually attractive because of additions made by our recent purchase of "mill ends," which are in fact, at astonishingly low prices. We have made three big lots of these "mill ends" and remnants which consist of plain taffeta, satin taffeta and fancy effects, in a complete assortment of all the new fall shades. 12c Ribbons at..... 5c yard. 12c Ribbons at..... 7c yard. 25c Ribbons at..... 12 1/2c yard.

Remnants of 10c, 15c, and 19c TRIMMINGS, 5c Yard

- Remnants of Dress Trimmings, including silk braids and gumpes; many stylish patterns, in black, solid colors and beautiful combination effects. Regular 10c, 15c and 19c values for 5c.

Remnants of Upholstery Goods

- 500 yards of 50-inch Oriental triple Tapestry, in lengths from 3 to 10 yards, of a yard to 2 1/2 yards. Suitable for portieres, draperies, couch, table and cushion covers. Sold at 25c and 50c a yard. Remnant price..... 5c. 25 half pairs of strips of Tapestry Portieres, 50 inches wide, 3 yards long; finished with heavy and knotted tassels, fringe and rope edges. Colors of red, green and tan. Suitable for couch covers and single doors. Sold in pairs at \$5.00 and \$6.00. Remnant price, per half pair..... \$1.49. 25 pairs of Nottingham, Scotch Lace and Cable Net Curtains; in plain and figured center designs; 54 and 60 inches wide, 3 and 3 1/2 yards long. One to four pairs of a pattern. White and ecru shade. Sold at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$4.00 a pair. Remnant price..... \$1.95.

Boys' Clothing

- Boys' Fancy School Suits, double breasted coat, with straight knees, all dark patterns; sizes 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Regular \$2.50 pair. Remnant price..... \$1.19. Boys' Winter Weight School Pants, nearly all sizes, 1 1/2 yard only. price 30c pair. Reduced to 20c. Boys' Russian Blouse Suits, with bi-color pants; sizes 2, and 3 years only; all light patterns. Values worth up to \$3.50. Reduced to 98c. Boys' Flannellette Panamas; sizes 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Regular \$1.50. Sold regularly for 10c. Remnant price..... 49c.