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OPINIONS OF STATE COURT

The Supreme State Tribunal Hands Down Six Decisions-One Reversal.

INCLUDES R. D. HUME CASE

Two Appeals Against Railroad Companies-One Against Oregon Navigation Company.

The Supreme Court yesterday handed down sir decisions. In one of these Chief Justice Bean reversed the judgment of Judge William Galloway in an appeal taken from the Circuit Court for Marion county.

H. M. Hendershott, respondent, vs. H. L. Sagswold, appellant; appeal from Circuit Court for Marlon county, William Galloway, judge; reversed in an opinion by Chief Justice Bean.

The plaintiff brought this suit for an accounting and for permission to redeem from a void tax sale. It appears that in 1895 the plaintiff was the owner of the real property in controversy and that it was regularly assessed for state and county taxes that year. The taxes became delinquent and in December, 1896, the property was sold by the sheriff under a warrant for the collection of delinquent taxes to one J. K. Marlay. who subsequently assigned his cer tificate to P. H. Marley, and on December 12, 1898, the sheriff delivered to him a tax deed. Therefore Marley conveyed the property to the defendant.

In the complaint it is alleged that all the proceedings leading up to the tax sale are null and void because of certain defects and that the defendant is and has been since December, 1901 in possession of the property holding it under such deed and that his use and occupation is reasonably worth \$850 and that the plaintiff is willing to repay all sums paid by him or his predecessors in interest on account of such tax sale.

To the complaint a demurrer was interposed, principally on the ground that it does not state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of suit because it affirmatively alleges that the plaintic was at the time of the commencement of the suit, in possession of the property in controversy. The demurrer was overruled and a decree entered in favor of the plaintiff from

assessments, etc., accruing after the issuance of the certificate with interest. Such redemption will operate as a cancellation of the sale and a release of all claim on the property by virtue of the tax certificate. But three years from date of the sale, the tax collector is required to make out and deliver to the purchaser a deed for the land which shall yest in him all the right, title interest and estate of the former owner. The redemption must therefore he made if at all before the execution of the tax

In the matter of the estate of J. J. McCoy, deceased, Snow Denning, appelant, vs. William A. McCoy, et al. respondents; on appeal from the circuit court for Douglas county, H. W. Hamilton, judge; affirmed in an opin-

for Multnomah county, John B. Cleland, judge: affirmed in an opinion by Justice Eakin.

Bridget Grant and Peter Grant, re spondents, vs. the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company; on appeal from Clatsop county, Thomas Mc-Bride, judge; on motion to retax costs - Decree modified in opinion by Justice Eakin.

pondent, vs. Sumpter Valley Railway Company, defendant and appelant; on appeal from Circuit Court for Baker county, Samuel White, judge; reversed and remanded in opinion by Judge Slater.

liher and H. H. Turner; motion for

A. C. Marsters against Umpqua Valley Oil Company and John Marsh; motion for rehearing denied.

New York city, arrived in from Roseburg early yesterday morning. They drove by Mr. Waite's private conveyance, leaving Roseburg at 4:30 on Thursday and arriving at Sumner that evening at seven o'clock. This was good time, and allowed them a night's rest at Sumner, when they came through via Coos City. Mr.

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which the defendant appealed.

According to the opinion it is held that "the statute authorizes any per son claiming an interest in real property, not in actual possession of another, to maintain a suit against another who claims an estate or interest therein to adverse to him for the purpose of determining such conflicting or adverse interest. A suit can not be brought under this statute when the property is in the possession of another, because in such case there is a plain, adequate and complete remedy at law.

"It is incumbent upon the plaintiff in such a suit to allege and prove, if controversed, that the property is not in possession of another, otherwise he will berelegated to his remedy at law. * * * Real property which has been sold for taxes, may be redeemed at any time before execution of a tax deed, by payment to the tax collector for the benefit of the holders of the tax certificate, the amount therefor, with interest, and all taxes,

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