

The supreme court decision in the Kincaid warrant suits is an attempt to get the state out of a very difficult position. The failure of the legislature to make appropriations and the failure of two legislatures to elect the various commissions has left Oregon affairs in a chaotic condition.

The constitution forbids the secretary of state from drawing warrants in the absence of a specific law and appropriations authorizing the expenditure and providing pay. The constitution had been construed on this point in a strict manner by the supreme court, and acting under that construction and according to the plain mandate of the organic law, the secretary refused to issue a warrant except where money was provided by laws levying a special tax, as in the case of the State University, the State Militia, the state school fund and other constitutional provisions.

Now to prevent locking up a million dollars of state taxes for two years and to expedite the payment of some six thousand miscellaneous claims, the supreme court reverses its former decision and gives the constitution a broad and liberal construction, authorizing the secretary of state to audit claims and issue warrants on the treasury in the absence of specific appropriations, and on the general theory that where the legislature creates an office, a board, or a commission, and fixes its salary, that is in itself an appropriation.

Take the reform schools: are they state institutions or not? And so on, through the list. Mr. Kincaid is made by this decision a judicial officer armed with tremendous fiduciary power. All the shortcomings of the past two legislatures are brought to him and he is asked to separate the false claim from the just, to pour out state funds or withhold the same. Is it any wonder he hesitates? A dishonest or unscrupulous man in that office would not hesitate. Harrison R. Kincaid stands today as the only protection of the people against indiscriminate raiding of the treasury. We believe he will conscientiously do his duty and seek to honestly interpret and apply the decision of the supreme court. He will not flinch from a fearless discharge of his duty under the laws and the constitution as interpreted by the highest tribunal in the state.

THE JOURNAL does not believe the court had any jurisdiction in the matter. We do not believe the court will grant a rehearing in the case. But we believe it is now the duty of the secretary of state to follow the decision so far as it is clear and free from all ambiguity. We believe that under that decision a vast majority of the claims against the state can be audited and paid. Those about which there is doubt should have their legal status determined in the courts. Any man may present his claim against the state. But some one must finally say that it is just and legal and ought to be paid. This function of adjudication of claims must be performed by those charged with that duty by the people—by the auditing officer or by the courts. The way now seems clear for the smoothing out of this very difficult situation in our state affairs. The prayer of all is: May the like never occur again.

English scholar and Oxford professor, Benjamin Jowett, and the sketch is based on the recent biography, which has attracted such wide attention. There are half-a-dozen or more other articles relating to timely educational topics, an installment of Mr. Justin McCarthy's "Story of Gladstone's Life," touching upon the Alabama Question and the Irish University contest. A beautiful reproduction of the statue of Athena, which was recently remade from scattered parts and is now recognized as a copy of Pheidias' statue on the Acropolis at Athens, is a striking feature of the cover design. The curious story of the reconstruction of the statue is told in a brief article. David P. Todd contributes an account of the Amherst Expedition to Japan to view the latest solar eclipse, and also explains in a really fascinating way, aided by pictures, the ingenious methods which science has lately adopted for this kind of astronomical work. Miss Susan E. Blow, whose recent article in The Outlook on the Kindergarten in the United States has attracted very wide attention, contributes a paper on The Kindergarten Ideal, which cannot fail to interest all educators, as it touches many points of great importance in child education. The Outlook is published at 13 Astor Place, New York, and the price is \$3 a year. It is an excellent all-around review and magazine combined.

Let us rejoice that the price of wheat is advancing but let us not be deceived thereby. It is not due to any change in the tariff laws. From the reports made by those who gather the statistics for the commercial agencies we learn that England will be from 90,000,000 to 120,000,000 bushels short in her supply of wheat, and that our 550,000,000 bushels may be wanted to save other people from starvation. France, that usually produces enough wheat to supply her home demand, will have to import 60,000,000 to 80,000,000 bushels. Australia has usually a surplus for export, but will have to import this year. The outlook for a crop in Russia is not promising. It is not likely to have very little, if any, to export. The Argentine Republic, Brazil and other South American States will want some of our surplus. Christian England has compelled British India to adopt the gold standard, where silver had been the money of 250,000,000 people. By this act eight or ten millions of England's subjects have already died of starvation. Labor was without employment and her business industries have been completely paralyzed.

Let us give the tariff credit for re-activating industries wherever that takes place. We must have a tariff for revenues and protection. Between the world-wide shortage of wheat and the revival of industries by the stimulus of a tariff, our country must prosper. As long as the hot, dry dusty weather continues your horses need extra care. A good swim is splendid once a week. They should be well cleaned daily and the harness kept clean and collars well looked after.

When asked what he expected to do at Dawson City, Mr. Wirt admitted to an uncertainty, but he rather expects to stay there and secure options on mining claims until spring, and when the rush comes to unload. In this way he hopes to be able to secure some valuable claims for himself.

THE JOURNAL will have a letter from Mr. Wirt to be sent from St. Michaels, and it is safe to say that his many friends will look for it with great interest. Mr. Wirt's family expects to remain in Salem until his return, which will probably be when he had made a strike or concludes there is none to make.

On the train to Seattle was also Mr. Jordan, formerly of Salem, who was going up to see his son Harvey, now holding a position in that city. At Centralia tons of fish are shipped to Seattle. They come in on the branch line from Gray's Harbor. I also noticed lots of California fruit unloaded here and not as good as our Oregon fruit.

SALEM TO SEATTLE. The Journal Business Manager in the Puget Sound Country. (Special Correspondence.)

SEATTLE, Aug. 21.—The trip from Salem is rather an uneventful one. The overland leaves Salem at 7:10 a. m., and the first hour is a delightful ride in the cool of the morning through a rich grain, fruit and hop region. The golden grain is nearly all harvested and the unmusical steam thresher is leaving many a field strewn with tiers of well filled wheat sacks. Judging from appearances the French Prairie country has had one of the old-time crops that the old timer loves so well to tell about. That means 20 to 40 bushels of wheat to the acre, and all else in proportion. The hop fields in the Latish and prairie sections down to the Clackamas line are a pleasure to behold, many of the yards have been wired up in modern style, and the over-flapping vines with their draping tendrils present a novel landscape. This crop will bring a Klondike of prosperity to the growers. The fruit industry north of Salem is not as well developed as to the south but hops better.

There is a heavy passenger traffic north from Portland now, largely owing to the gold fever in Alaska. The Northern Pacific trains are said to be crowded every day. Of course, all are not bound for the Klondike, but the majority hope to share in the prosperity from that source, either at Seattle or other Puget sound points. On our train was Wm. Wirt, the Salem nurseryman, who expected to sail from Seattle on steamer City of Kingston Friday night. After several days he expects to be transferred to the Bristol, which steamer is now returning from Dyea. She will take the cargo of the Kingston and make the mouth of the Yukon. The distance from Seattle is about 2,000 miles, and Mr. Wirt hopes to make the trip in 10 days. The fare is \$300 from Portland to Dawson, including 1,500 pounds of freight carried free. From St. Michaels, at the mouth of Yukon, to Dawson is about 1,900 which will be made on the steamer Eugene and will be in twenty days. This will land him in Dawson City by September 20, and perhaps sooner, but there's many a slip. Passengers will have to furnish their own meals on the Yukon. Mr. Wirt bought his outfit in Portland, as prices are said to be very high. He paid out \$175, besides taking some bedding, clothing, etc., from home. His goods consist mostly of staples, such as bacon, dried meat, flour, meal, spices, evaporated potatoes, cabbage and fruit of all kinds. He took 100 pounds of beans, 400 of flour, tea, coffee, a stove, shovel, pick, tools, nails, wheel for barrow, gold scales, a compass, also several suits of outside and underwear, rubber and leather shoes, moccasins, leggings, etc. He has much more stuff than he will need, but thinks he can dispose of all surplus to advantage. He figures that all the provision necessary is to have a supply until navigation opens in the spring, when there will be an abundance of freight brought in by steamers.

Proposals will be received by the Common Council of the City of Salem up to the hour of 4 o'clock p. m. September 7, 1897, to furnish the City of Salem eighty cords of large fir wood, the same to be dry and sound, and to be delivered at any place within the corporate limits designated by the Common Council, and not later than October 1, 1897. The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved. ED. N. EDES, City Recorder. Salem, Or., Aug. 12, 1897. 14 d & w

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Notice is hereby given that there are funds on hand applicable to the payments of all warrants of the City of Salem, endorsed on or before February 1, 1896, drawn upon the general fund. Please present said warrants for payment at Ladd & Bush bank, as interest on same will cease from the date of this notice. A. A. LEE, City Treasurer. Salem, August 10, 1897. 14 10 d

Notice is hereby given that the commissioners' court for Marion county at the September term, 1897, for competent persons to board and take care of the poor of Marion county from November 1, 1897, during the pleasure of the court, the county furnishing the farm, house, bedding and clothing. The court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bids may be filed with the county clerk until Wednesday, September 8, 1897, at 4 p. m. L. V. EHLEN, County Clerk. 8 6 d 31 w d

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