

Special Stock Reduction Sale

Our semi-annual sale begins today and continues the entire week.

Special 25 per cent. Discount Sale of Fancy Summer Wash Goods

All fancy wash goods must be closed out to make room for our mammoth Fall Stocks. To do it we have marked these goods exactly as follows:

35c	Fancy Wash Goods	25 per cent off	or 25c yd
25c	"	"	"
20c	"	"	"
15c	"	"	"
10c	"	"	"

Don't delay, but come and make selections before stock is broken

J. G. VAN DYKE & CO.

J. H. Butler, Funeral Director, with Medford Furniture Co., House-furnishers and Undertakers. 'Phone 165.

CITY HAPPENINGS.

—The frame work for the new residence of J. W. Cox, on C and Eleventh streets, is now up and the carpenters have commenced to enclose it. The main building is 30x36 feet, two stories high, with large bay windows below and above on the south side and an octagonal front on C street. The hallway, which will contain the stairs to the second story, will be 12x16 feet, making it really a commodious room. At the outside corner it will be extended out, forming the outside circumference of a tower which will extend above the main part of the house. From the upper part of the tower a fine view of Medford and vicinity can be had. Back of the main house will be a 16x32 foot, one story addition for kitchen, wash room and wood room. The building will be supplied with all modern conveniences and it will be one of the model and handsome residences of Medford. The wood work is being done by A. P. Talent and the fine stone foundation was put in by Chas. Phoister, who will also do the plastering. The contract for the painting is not yet let. The building will be ready for occupancy about the first of September.

—For Sale—Five Jersey milch cows, with first calves. Wallace Woods, Medford.

—Notwithstanding the fact that Jackson County is one of the best strawberry districts in Oregon the Medford market is supplied each season principally with Willamette valley berries, the fruit men claiming that there is no money in strawberry raising. THE MAIL has been investigating this question and finds that there is a good profit to be made in raising strawberries for the home market. An instance of what can be done in strawberry raising is that of Mrs. T. J. Goodwyn. She has a patch 20x40 feet in her yard, in this city, and from it she picked and sold berries to the amount of \$15.20, besides having all the berries her family used. Mrs. Goodwyn kept accurate account and her figures are correct. She gave the plants no extra cultivation, no fertilizer nor wore they irrigated as much as they should have been.

—My stock of groceries is complete. Come and get my prices. All kinds of feed. Medford Food Store.

—The people of the Meadows neighborhood had planned for an old fashioned Fourth of July celebration with

a barbecue dinner, but the rain the previous day so discouraged the managers that they decided to give up their celebration and they notified Judge Hanna, who was in the neighborhood on a fishing trip, that his services as orator would not be required. Edward Welch, who was to have been president of the day, and a number of others went to Jacksonville for the day. But the weather cleared up in the morning, and a crowd numbering over a hundred gathered at the grounds and put in the day in a social way. Marshal L. L. Love and some of the other young men put down a platform and the young people amused themselves by dancing. Foot races and other games gave diversion to those not dancing. In the evening a number of the young people went to the residence of Mr. Carter, where they had a very enjoyable social dance. A number of others met at Mr. Groninger's home, where a delightful evening was spent in singing and other pastimes.

—Something worth your consideration—health is wealth. Johnson's Pure Herb Tonic is the greatest system regulator and invigorator on earth. It is a positive cure for chills, fever and all malarial disorders, sick headache, constipation, biliousness, indigestion and all heart affections and general debility. Only sold at Distillery Office. \$1 per bottle.

—E. Russ a few days since cut a twig from one of the almond trees in his yard in this city and brought it to THE MAIL office, as a sample of the way Jackson County trees bear when not thinned. This twig, which is sixteen inches long, has sixty-nine fully developed almonds on it, no one of them but what would make good, marketable nuts. One of the blossom stems contained thirteen almonds, another ten, and another eight, each cluster resembling a ball, so closely packed were the nuts. All other kinds of nuts and fruit trees grown in Jackson County produce just as prolifically as do almonds, and thinning fruit is one of the expenses that fruit men have to meet each spring, for if all the fruit were left on the trees it would exhaust their vitality and the fruit would be inferior in size and quality.

—Wanted—Loan of \$1200. Will secure on city and farm property worth \$4000. Inquire at MAIL office.

—It is not every railroad that is able to ballast its road with gold bearing gravel, but the Southern Pacific is doing that, and is using gravel that is almost rich enough to pay to work. The pit from which this gravel is taken is in the famous Gold Hill mineral district, and it adjoins the Southern Pacific road and is about half a mile south of the town of Gold Hill. The pit was opened this spring and a steam shovel and a big crew of men, with two gravel trains, have been at work taking out

gravel and hauling to the Siskiyou mountain section of the road. The men working in the pit have found quite a number of nuggets, several of them going over a dollar each, one weighing \$1.80. A number of the miners of Gold Hill panned out some of the gravel, taking the dirt from the cars, and got as high as three cents to the pan. The Southern Pacific owns the land and the gravel being of extra good quality for ballast purposes and very easy of access, the company will not allow it to be worked by the miners.

—If it's the VERY BEST ice cream you are looking for you haven't found it until you have tried Campbell's. Others put up a good cream but there is one kind that's BEST—and that's the kind Campbell makes.

—Harry Meyers, the jeweler, got himself mixed up with more trouble on Monday of this week. He imbibed too freely of the liquors which intoxicate and after he had reached a hilarious condition he became quarrelsome and made his way to A. M. Helms' saloon where he soon engaged himself in a quarrel with the proprietor. The story as told a MAIL representative is that after this little skirmish Meyers went to his jewelry store and procured two ring anvils, tapering pieces of iron about fourteen inches long and weighing about two and one-half pounds each. With these in his pocket he returned to the Helms saloon where he approached Mr. Helms from behind and dealt him a blow on the head with one of the anvils. Helms then struck Meyers and took the iron from him and with it struck him (Meyers) on the head, which stunned him and the row was off for a brief period, but Meyers rallied again and made an assault with the other iron. Later Meyers drew a jack knife and with it cut Helms' left hand and also cut several slits in his clothing. The bystanders here interfered and the trouble was ended. A police call was sounded but no policemen were within hailing distance. Meyers was taken away by his friends and has not been seen since. The next forenoon a warrant was sworn out before Justice Purdin and placed in the hands of Constable Johnson but as yet it has not been served because of the fact that Meyers has not been located.

—My stock of boots and shoes is complete and is undoubtedly the best selected stock in Medford, and my prices are all right. I also sell groceries, patent medicines, cigars and stationery. Shoe repair shop in connection. W. L. Orr, West Side, Medford.

—They say that the proof of the pudding is in the eating, and the proof of a big fruit story is the fruit. A. H. Chessmore has a patch of gooseberries that has such big berries that he feared the mere telling of their size would shock the newspaper's credulity, so he brought a sample to THE MAIL office as a proof that he has big berries. The largest one was three and three-eighths inches in circumference, while the smallest one was a fraction above three inches in circumference. He has samples of these berries, larger than the ones brought to this office, that he has preserved in a bottle, to show at the Fruit-growers' convention to be held in Medford in August. Mr. Chessmore has a two-acre tract of land in East Medford, which he is planting to small fruit, and which is beginning to yield him a revenue, for he has been on it but two years.

—T. T. Merriman's—horse-shoeing and general blacksmithing, Medford. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charges made.

—C. M. Pence, from the Rogue river hatchery, has hauled out the machinery for the new sawmill, which Supt. Berrian will erect at the Rogue river hatchery. The mill will cut with a saw saw, be run by water power and will have a capacity of about three thousand feet per day, with two men to run it. The mill building will be located at the mouth of Elk creek, where that stream empties into Rogue river, and the power will be had from Elk creek, the water being brought in a flume to the mill wheel, which will be an overshot wheel. The mill will be used to cut lumber with which to construct new and larger hatchery buildings to take the place of the present ones, which have become too small to meet the requirements of the hatchery work.

—E. S. Wolfer, the Medford tinsmith, has secured the agency for the Webber gasoline engine—all sizes. A two and one-half horse power engine for \$135—guaranteed for two years.

—S. L. Bennett has left at THE MAIL office a part of two crops of apples—last season and this. The hold over apples are the Granite seedlings and they are perfectly sound. The crop of this year are the Gravensteins—and they're plenty large enough for cooking. Mr. Bennett has been experimenting with scale destroyers this season and he has found coal oil the most effective and it does no harm to the trees, provided it is not applied at the very point of a twig where a leaf is starting. He has also used an emulsion of coal oil and soap with marked success. This he applies with a brush to all parts of the limbs, leaves and fruit. In preparing this emulsion he uses two quarts of coal oil and one bar of laundry soap to two gallons of water.

—With the new facilities that B. N. Butler put in his shop, he turns out as good work in repairing watches and jewelry as any one in Southern Oregon.

—The readers of THE MAIL will be doing a very great favor to the Indian War Veterans, and the widows of Veterans, if they will tell them of the meeting in Medford, on the afternoon of Saturday, July 26, for if they can be present it will save them much expense and delay in getting their pensions. In fact if they do not attend it may be the means of them failing to get their pension at all, for many of them do not know where their old comrades are, or other persons who would do as witnesses on their affidavits that go with their pension applications. At this meeting they can help each other trace up their witnesses and can have their papers made up that same day, for several of the prominent men of Medford, who are notaries public, have offered to make up their papers free of charge, thus making it unnecessary for them to employ one of those pension attorneys, who would require of them a part at least of the money that they need so much to add to the comforts of their declining days.

—Do you know that there is the largest stock of pianos and organs in Southern Oregon at the Cass Piano House, Medford? Come in and see them and get prices—they are right.

—Klaus Kleinhammer, the farmer and orchardist, living a few miles south of Medford, met with a serious accident last Sunday morning. He was upstairs in his barn putting hay down to his stock when he fell through an opening in the floor, striking on his head and shoulders in the manger. The distance he fell was about eighteen feet. The fall rendered him unconscious and for over an hour he lay in this condition, and when he regained consciousness he walked to his house, and not until then did his family know of his accident. Dr. Pickel was sent for and upon arriving a thorough examination was made, but no bones were found to be broken, but it is feared that he sustained internal injuries, as he has since had no use of his body aside from one arm. He is seventy years old and the injuries may prove more serious because of this advanced age.

—The new Medford cigar—two for 25 cents. This is unquestionably the best bit cigar ever put on the market. It's a Medford product—made by the Palm-Whitman Co., and for sale at the Rialto.

—The patriotic residents of Brownsboro held a celebration on the Fourth that was a decided credit to the public spirit of that village. Notwithstanding the threatening weather of the day, there was a large crowd gathered in the town hall where the program was carried out in a manner quite complimentary to those who had the management of the exercises. Mrs. Bell acted as president of the day, and Mrs. Chamberlain read the Declaration of Independence. The oration was by Rev. Kenney, and it was said to have been a splendid effort. In the afternoon various games furnished amusement for the crowd. One of the features being a tug-of-war between a team of young men and one of married men, in which the young men were completely vanquished. A dance in the hall in the evening closed the day's merriment.

—Mrs. L. J. Sears has made a big reduction in the price of her street hats, and she is giving special prices on all her summer goods, in order to close them out.

—School closed on Monday of last week in the Mountain district, near Sams Valley. In the afternoon a very interesting program of songs and recitations was given by the pupils, which was listened to with marked attention by a number of visitors. Miss Myrtle Porter, of Table Rock, was the teacher and Director John Nelson, of that district, states that she has been one of the most successful teachers that has ever taught in that district.

—When you want draying done get Slover to do it. He's always ready—always reliable and his charges are always just right.

—L. Neidermeyer will soon let a contract to build a residence on the fine farm near Jacksonville, which he lately bought of Beekman & Reames. The house will be 26x32 feet, two full stories high, with porches on two sides of it. It will be Colonial in style and will be furnished with every convenience that goes to make a model home and when completed will cost over \$2000. To the rear of the dwelling a brick store room will be erected. It will be in two compartments, one for fruit and vegetables and one for milk.

—For Sale—Good, heavy work horse, weigh about 1600 pounds. A. Slover, the drayman, Medford.

—Rev. N. S. Hollcroft, State Baptist Missionary for Southern Oregon, has received word that the missionary car, Emanuel, which is on the way through

BIG CUT IN SUMMER MILLINERY

As we wish to make room for our immense new fall stock, we will have

A GREAT REDUCTION SALE BEFORE THE FOURTH

Our entire stock of trimmed hats, and untrimmed hats, street hats, Leghorns, Cuban hats, sailors, etc., children's, flower, silver, braids, laces, in fact everything pertaining to the millinery art will be sold out at especially reduced prices. Do not miss this opportunity of securing a BARGAIN; but call at once

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California, will be in Ashland on July 23, where the first stop will be made in Oregon. The car will remain in Ashland for two weeks, during which time Rev. B. B. Jacques and Mrs. Jacques, who are in charge of the car, assisted by Rev. Hollcroft, will conduct a series of gospel meetings, to which to public is cordially invited. The next stop of the car will be at Talent, due notice of which will be given by Rev. Hollcroft.

—Wanted—Good, steady young man to work about two hours each day for board. Applicant can attend school if he so desires. Apply at MAIL office.

—L. P. Hubbs, of Carthage, Illinois, has engaged his services as salesman to F. K. Duell & Co., and will arrive in Medford about August 25th. His brother, A. W. Hubbs, who has been a salesman in this establishment for several years, has formed a partnership with F. K. Duell and they will establish a mercantile house in Ashland in September. The style of the firm will be Duell & Hubbs, and Mr. Hubbs will be in charge.

—Wells & Shearer have the best equipped outfit for draying and household moving in Medford. All kinds of wood for sale—full measure and prompt delivery.

—Rev. C. H. Hoxie preached at the Enterprise school house on Griffin creek last Sunday forenoon, and his brother, Rev. G. W. Hoxie, preached at the same place the same day at 3 p. m. Arrangements have been made for holding services at this place regularly during the summer and fall months. Rev. G. W. Hoxie will preach at 3 o'clock on the first Sunday of each month; Rev. A. V. Gillett on the second Sunday, and Rev. C. H. Hoxie on the fourth Sunday. No appointment has yet been made for the third Sunday.

—First class property in Medford for sale or trade for ranch in Rogue river valley. Palm & York.

—The quarterly conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for this circuit, was held at the church at Antioch last Saturday and Sunday. The meetings were conducted by Rev. E. L. Fitch, presiding elder for the Western Oregon district, assisted by Rev. M. L. Darby, of Medford. The meetings were well attended and the sermons of Elder Fitch were highly appreciated. Elder Fitch left Monday for Klamath County, where he will hold quarterly meetings in the various circuits of that county.

—Wanted—Two or three experienced sawmill men. Enquire at O. E. Gorsline's planing mill, Medford.

—Peaches and other fruit, suitable for canning, will likely bring a good price this summer and fall for the following from the Rural Northwest indicates that but few berries have been canned by the housewives of Northern Oregon: "It is safe to predict that there will be a large demand for peaches for home canning in Portland this year. The short strawberry crop and high average price of that fruit prevented the canning of the usual amount of strawberries."

—Play Atlantis, the new Seld game.

POWDER PAINT

of nearly all Colors on hand. 75 per cent. cheaper than oil paint. Mixed with cold water. Is weather proof fire proof, sun proof. Will not rub off nor wash off. Also have a new stock of general merchandise just received, and will sell as cheap as the cheapest. Call and see

A. J. DALEY, Eagle Point

—S. W. Boyd, of Griffin creek, has left at the Palm-York Company real estate office two bunches of timothy picked at random in his field that would be hard to beat in any of the famous grain districts of the east. The stalks were all over six feet high, with one reaching to seven feet, two inches. The heads are from six to nine inches in length. Jackson County has timothy meadows that cannot be beaten and they do not run to velvet grass, as it does in the Willamette Valley and Lower Columbia. Mr. Boyd is a new settler, having come to this county last spring from Louisiana, and bought his present farm of 160 acres. He states that he grows better pleased with Oregon each month that he stays here, and though having farmed in Ohio, Missouri and Louisiana, he thinks Oregon is far ahead of any of them.

—Johnson's Pure Herb Tonic has equal. Get a bottle and try it—at Distillery Office.

—Rev. Hollcroft will hold services at the Sams Valley school house on Saturday evening of this week and on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

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