

# THE STAYTON MAIL

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Goat Foot  
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sore feet of  
Goats.

**Brewer Drug Co.**  
DRUGGISTS.

Formalin  
for  
Grain.

Great Reduction  
in Clothes and  
Hair Brushes,  
Combs, and Comb  
and Brush Sets.

Razor Strops,  
Razors,  
Rubber Goods,  
Syringes,  
Hot Water Bottles  
all reduced.

Remember that we  
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plete line of Flavor-  
ing Extracts, guaran-  
teed strength and  
pure products.

Following is a List:  
Ext. Banana, Strawberry,  
Lemon, Vanilla, Orange,  
Raspberry, Pineapple, etc.

In Spices we have: Pepper,  
Nutmegs, Mustard, Cin-  
namon, Allspice, Cloves,  
Ginger, etc.

Soaps—Fancy,  
Toilet and Shaving

Oranges, Lemons,  
Candies and Nuts.

Face Powders,  
Toilet Waters  
and Creams,  
Domestic and  
Imported  
Perfumes.

Marion county is in an excellent condition financially, and had it not been for the increased demand of the state, made necessary by the enormous appropriations during the last regular and special sessions of the legislature, the tax levy in this county, upon the 1903 assessment would not have exceeded 15 9-10 mills. The heavy demand of the state upon the different counties is largely due to four appropriations: The Lewis and Clark Fair appropriation, \$250,000 of which will be raised this year; the portage railway appropriation of \$165,000; The Celilo canal appropriation of \$100,000 and the Indian war veterans' appropriation of \$100,000. And besides under the school law passed at the last regular session of the legislature, Marion county was required to make a levy of 6 3/10 mills for school purposes, while under the old law only a 5 mill levy was required, so taking these facts into consideration, it does not require a mathematician to figure out why the tax payers of Marion county are called upon to pay 20 1/2 mills upon every dollar of assessed valuation.—Statesman.

### A Sunday Journal.

The Portland Journal has reached its second birthday, and will celebrate the event by beginning the issue of a Sunday edition. The Journal has had a phenomenal growth under its present management, and is proving to be the newspaper of the Northwest. With its new Hearst news service besides its own special service by wire, it supplies the latest, as well as the best and most authentic news to its readers. Its printing plant is one of the best west of the Rockies, its new Hoe press being able to print, cut, fold, count and deliver a 32 page paper, printed in four colors, at a great rate of speed.

The first number of The Sunday Journal will appear the 20th of the present month, and will doubtless, like its predecessor, the Oregon Daily Journal, grow better and better with each succeeding issue.

W. H. Downing has been elected president of the State Board of Agriculture. If the duties of this Board are only the management of the State Fair, as we verily believe, why call it the State Board of Agriculture? The term is too broad in proportion to the duties of the Board.

Miss Davidson, of Eugene, arrived this morning for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Willis Caldwell.

THE MAIL is late again this week. When once a newspaper printer gets behind, it is a hard matter to catch up without plenty of help.

Frank Kopecky, of Oklahoma, has been a guest of Frank Silhavy the past week. Mr. Kopecky is quite an extensive traveler, and writes weekly letters to a Bohemian paper of large circulation. His last letter, of more than two columns, was largely devoted to Stayton, and his next one, he tells us, will have more Stayton news in it. He is a carpenter by occupation, and handy with tools, as shown by a fine carrom board and sofa frame he made for Mr. Silhavy.

We understand that the city council will at its next regular meeting pass ordinances regulating dogs and cattle. This is right and proper. All incorporated towns of any consequence have laws regulating these animals. Stayton is, we believe, the only town of like size in the Valley that allows cattle to run the streets. However, as we understand it, it is not the purpose of the council to confine the family cow, but only those cattle that have no value as milk producers. Another matter that will receive their attention is the cow-bell nuisance. There are many people in town, who though they dislike to make complaint, are disturbed by the continuous clang! clang! of a useless cow-bell. We doubt if there are many in town who would favor shutting up the milk-cows at this time—we do not—but we are satisfied that a large majority of the people will appreciate the action of the council if they will clear the streets of small stock and do away with the cow bell. This we believe they will do. As the Salem Statesman recently remarked, "Stayton is a good town," and we are satisfied that the present council will do its part to keep it in line with other towns of its size in the State.

### Oak Grove.

The farmers are rejoicing that it quit raining—for a while.

Misses Elva and Lois McElhaney visited Miss Mabel Downing Saturday.

Max Hill is able to be about again after being laid up with a cut foot.

Tom Graham carries the rail-splitting banner; twenty four rails in fifteen minutes.

Grandma Stanton celebrated her 88th birthday Tuesday, about thirty of her relatives being present. The day will long be remembered by those in attendance.

Victor Point has organized a band and the boys are doing some hard work to make it a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cooley are the happy parents of a baby girl that arrived at their home Sunday.

The boys are trying to figure out who Sour Krout is. Sour Krout will keep still and let them think awhile.

J. T. Hunt and family spent last Thursday eve at C. B. McElhaney's.

Remember, girls, that this is leap year. It will be four years until you have another chance. Speak early and avoid the rush.

### SOUR KROUT.

#### Americans on Guard.

There is no record that any such order as "Put none but Americans on guard" was issued by Washington. Those who quote it do not know when it was supposed to have been issued. But it is a fact that on April 30, 1777, in an order issued at Morristown, N. J., for reorganizing the improperly called "Washington's bodyguard" he did say that he thought that men having an interest in the country would be less likely to prove traitors than foreigners. The order continued, "You will, therefore, send me none but Americans." Washington directed that this preference for Americans should not be made known, as he feared it might excite the many foreigners in the army.—Exchange.

## We are now showing the New Spring Dress Patterns

In Voile, Melrose, Etamine,  
and Mohair in late spring  
shades.

To be sure you want a new  
dress for Easter.

## Easter Rug Sale

\$3.50 7x9 foot reversible Rugs...\$2.63  
5.00 6x9 " " ...3.87  
7.00 9x9 " " ...4.53  
10.00 9x12 " " ...7.38  
35.00 9x9 reversible Smyrna rugs. 27.56

## Our Easter Curtain Sale

Tuesday, March 22, 1904

Will be a happy surprise to all those  
who are wishing to buy curtains.

## Special for

### Prudent Buyers

5c meat fork..... 3c.  
5c tack hammer..... 3c.  
5c salt shake..... 3c.  
5c pepper shake..... 3c.  
10c salt shake..... 5c.  
10c pepper shake..... 5c.  
2-pint tin cups..... 5c.  
1 quart Swan's wash ammonia..... 7c  
10c can Armour's pork and beans..... 7c  
10c pack Gloss starch..... 7c  
10c pack Electric bird seed..... 7c  
Malta Ceres, per pk..... 10c  
7 bars Silk Soap..... 25c  
1 lb plug Star tobacco, with tags. 45c

## G. D. TROTTER,

STAYTON, OREGON.

### PROMOTION BY RETORT.

Not Answers to Quaint Questions  
Which Pleased Suvaroff.

The great Russian soldier, Marshal Suvaroff, was in the habit of asking his men difficult questions, sometimes foolish ones, and bestowing favors on those who showed presence of mind in answering him. On one occasion a general of division sent him a sergeant with dispatches, at the same time recommending the bearer to Suvaroff's notice. The marshal, as usual, proceeded to test him by a series of whimsical questions.

"How far is it to the moon?" was the first query.

"Two of your excellency's forced marches," the soldier promptly replied.

"If your men began to give way in battle, what would you do?"

"I'd tell them that just behind the enemy's line there was a wagon load of good things to eat."

"How many fish are there in the sea?"

"Just as many as have not been caught."

And so the examination went on till Suvaroff, finding his new acquaintance armed at all points, at length put a final poser:

"What is the difference between your colonel and myself?"

"The difference is this," replied the soldier coolly. "My colonel cannot make me a captain, but your excellency can."

Suvaroff, struck by his shrewdness, kept his eye upon the man and soon afterward gave him the promotion for which he had hinted.

### FROST FAIRIES.

The Wonderful Designs That Win-  
dow Panes Picture.

When the frost fairies have a material ready for original design they often produce in the hours of darkness most exquisite decorations. The window panes are their drawing paper, and the window frames serve as picture frames on those particular occasions. There are said to be no less than a thousand forms of snow crystals, every one of them of the finest finish and of unimpeachable symmetry. Some are like the patterns in houlton lace, while others are elaborated with geometrical patterns so complex that it is difficult to analyze them. But on the window panes the frost pictures are by no means confined to what are "standard patterns" in snowflakes, but show the most various and dainty schemes of ornament. Some are like stary flowers, set with stars in the center and with stary shoots and comets flying into space around them. Others take the shape of leaves arranged in set form by some human designers. The endive pattern is among the most beautiful, the curves and "motive" being often scarcely distinguishable from those in which a goldsmith of the days of Louis XV, modeled the ormolu in which he graced some priceless vase of jasper or crystal. Scale patterns, like the scales of fishes, with striated lines upon the overlapping disks, wavy pat-

terns, set with stars, fern patterns, moss patterns and formalized sprays of maidenhair are among the choicest on the list.—London Spectator.

### Controlling Himself.

She—I want you to select the ring, dear. He—But I thought you wanted to. She—I did. But I'm afraid we can't afford it.—Life.

### Conclusive.

She—What makes you think his advice is good? He—Because he never gives it unless it's asked for.—Detroit Free Press.

There are but three classes of men—the retrograde, the stationary and the progressive.—Lavater.

### Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.—Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office,  
Oregon City, Oregon, January 4, 1904.  
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Oliver Landingham of Portland, county of Multnomah, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 6845, for the purchase of the SE 1/4 of Section No. 26 in township No. 11 south, range No. 3 east, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Thursday, the 24th day of March, 1904.  
He names as witnesses: George J. Frichette, Daniel Reid, P. M. Sullivan and Fred Florey, all of Portland, Oregon.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 24th day of March, 1904.  
ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

## Job Printing

Keep it in your mind  
that The Mail prints

Letter Heads,

Bill Heads,

Envelopes,

Shipping Tags,

Trespass Notices,

Cards, Bills,

Or anything else you  
may want at very  
low prices.

## Fred Rock Mercantile Co. ANNOUNCEMENT.

We desire to announce to the people of Stayton and surrounding country that our large new store is opened for business, and we are prepared to meet the wants of all customers in our various lines. We carry a large and select assortment of

**Dry Goods, Dress Goods,  
Clothing, Furnishing Goods,  
Footwear, Hats, Caps, Notions,  
Groceries, Wall Paper, Carpets,  
Hardware, Tinware, Cutlery,  
Stoves, Wagons, Buggies,  
Plows, Farming Implements,  
The Celebrated John Deere Buggies  
and Moline Wagons.**

We appreciate the generous patronage the members of this firm have received from the people of this town and vicinity during past years, and hope we may be favored with a continuance of your trade. We shall endeavor, as in the past, to merit your patronage, and shall always aim to satisfy our patrons in every particular.

Our stock is new, choice, and carefully selected, and our prices as low as consistent with the quality of goods we handle. The public is cordially invited to call and look over our goods. We shall take pleasure in attending to your wants.

Country produce of all kinds taken in exchange for goods.

Respectfully yours,

**Fred Rock Mercantile Co.,  
Stayton, Oregon.**