Buy Your Easter Gloves While Stocks Are Complete—Every Good Style and Shade in All Sizes—Best Silk or Kid—All Grades

The Meier @ Frank Store "Opening Days" Today and Tomorrow

Millinery, Cloaks, Silks, Dress Goods, Laces, Men's Clothing, Gloves and Fancy Goods

500 New Silk Petticoats | See the Grand Displays of

Portland's Leading Cloak Store's Annual Easter offering of highgrade silk Petticoats-500 of them -All new up-to-date styles and colorings at a price about one-half what you are asked to pay at other stores for Petticoats of equal quality--Made of superior heavy taffeta silk with deep flounce and six rows of bias bands-Very attractive and serviceable style - Full width and a grand assortment of shades to select from - White, pink, light blue, navy, royal and medium bluelavender, purple, tans, browns, light and dark greens, red, rose, gray, black and a great variety of changeable silks-Silk Underskirts that find ready sale at \$8.50-\$9.00 Choice while they \$5.45





Lace and Embroidery Bargains

French Cambric Embroidery for women's and children's wear, 9 to 12 inches wide. Best designs. Values up to 60c a yard on sale at the very low price of, yard, 29c French Cambric and Eyelet Embroidery, 3 to 5 inches wide. Beautiful designs in large variety. Values up to 30c a yard on sale at the very low price of, yard, 18¢ Special lot of Swiss bands, designs in Anglais and blind work, for women's wear; 6 to 10 inches wide. Values to 75c per yard on sale at low price of, yard, 25¢ Special lot of Swiss Corset Covering in lace and baby Irish effects. Very pretty styles. Values up to \$2.00 a yard on sale at the very low price of yard, \$1.29 French Corset Covering in Swiss and nainsook, \$1.25 values on sale at, yard, 87¢ French and round-thread Val. Lace and Insertion, ½ to 1¼ inches wide. Handsome styles. Values to \$1.25 dozen yards on sale at the very low price of 59¢

Great Sale of New Lace Curtains

Special lot of madras weave Lace Curtains, Arabian color, floral patterns, very best styles, 52 inches wide, 3 yards long. Regular \$2.50 values on sale at, pair, \$1.65 S patterns of white Nottingham Lace Curtains, 50 to 60 inches wide, 3 and 31/2 yards long, detached floral and Point d'Esprit centers with heavy floral borders. lar \$2.00 values are on sale at the remarkably low price of, per pair \$1.30 Special lot Irish Point Lace Curtains, white or ecru, plain centers, with floral serol borders. Regular \$3.75 values offered at the very low price of, per pair. . \$2.85 Ruffled Net Curtains, white or ecru, lace edge and inserting, 3 yards long, 36 inches wide. Regular \$2.50 values on sale at the very low price of, per pair. \$1.65 Special low price on all our Rope Portieres. Best styles; all patterns and co great values. \$2.00 to \$6.50 values on sale at low prices of \$1.35 to \$5.20

\$8.50-\$9 Vals. \$5.45 Millinery, Cloaks Today

Spring "Opening Days" in the Millinery Salons today and tomorrow -Magnificent showing of new Headgear for women, misses and children-Beautiful creations-Paris, New York, London models-The best efforts of the most famous artists - Never before have we shown such an immense array of high-class, attractive Millinery-A treat is in store for women who want the handsomest hats Portland will see this season-Picturesque Hats portraying true Millinery Art-Large picture Hats with lace drapes, the new bell or lampshade Hats-The Marie Antoinette Hat, the Coolie Hat, the Mushroom Hat, the "Dolly Varden" Hat-Every new shape and trimming in every new style, shade and combination-Exclusive models in wonderful array-Tailored Hats in great assortment-Misses', children's Hats in beautiful styles-Don't miss seeing them

Suits, Dresses, Costumes, Waists, Etc., Etc.

Portland's Leading Cloak store invites inspection of the grandest and most extensive showing of ready-to-wear apparel for women, misses and children ever displayed in the West—1907 fashions in fascinating styles and attractive materials—Ready-to-wear apparel for occasions -A wonderfully complete stock to select from-Particular attention is directed to the exquisite new Waists-Dreams of daintiness in lace, silk and sheer wash materials-Visit the Cloak store during "Opening"



Women's Suits \$30.00



Easter Sale Extraordinary of women's Tailored Suits - 200 new, handsome garments in the very latest fashions and materials to be sold at the popular price of \$30 each-These Suits manufactured by four of New York's leading Cloak houses are positively the best value ever offered for the money - Fancy black and white checks, stripes, mannish mixtures and plain colorings - Navy, black and red, prettily trimmed in silk, lace and fancy braid-Eton, blouse, semi-fitting, tight-fitting and 3-button cutaway styles-The materials are Panama cloths, serges and fancy Tweeds-Perfect fitting, well made and finished-We place these handsome spring Suits on sale while they last at \$30.00 each They would find ready sale \$30 at \$35 to \$40 each..... We Want You to See Them-2d Floor

\$3.00 Silk Hosiery 98c



Our Annual Easter Sale of women's Silk Hosiery is announced for today and we promise the greatest bargain ever known in women's full silk Hosiery-Pure silk thread - All the newest Spring shades, also black - Grand styles, grand qualities - All sizes - This unusual opportunity was presented to our Hosiery buyer on a recent trip to the market - Every well dressed woman in town should take advantage of this remarkable offering-Colors are white, black, light blue, royal blue, maise, cream, gray, nile, reseda, biscuit, tan, lavender, plain styles and embroidered instep-Beautiful designs and con-

trasting shades—Sizes 8½, 9, 9½, 10—Values up to \$3 a pair, on sale while they last at the very low price per pair New Fancy Hosiery, New White Hosiery, New Tan Hosiery for Women, Misses and Children-All prices

Department of Interior Yields to Oregon Settlers.

MILLION ACRES AFFECTED

Order Taking Off Ban One of Secre tary Garfield's First Acts of Reform-Carries Out President's New Pollcy.

Applications for patent to public lands in Oregon by settlers will be hastened with the greatest possible expedition. This information, eagerly awaited for months by settlers who have complied with the land laws, has been announced by Secretary Garfield, of the Department of the Interior, who will forthwith advise the registers and receivers of the various ment. By this order, it is estimated that the greater part of 1,000,000 acres of the public lands in this state, that have been regularly sattled upon by home-seekers, will proceed at once to patent. Of this large acreage, fully 90,000 acres are located within the Portland Land Office

held up at Washington for as long as three years on all sorts of pretexts. Prin-cipal among the excuses for delaying the Issuance of patents to these lands was the alleged irregular methods that were bealleged irregular methods that were be-ing resorted to by corporate interests, through individual settlers, in acquiring possession of the public domain. For this reason and the generally arbitrary attitude so long assumed by the former administration of the General Land Of-face towards Oregon, these applications have been held up almost at the pleasure of the Land Office Department at the National Canitol.

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In support of the alleged misappropriation of the public lands of the state, the department sent special agents to this state to investigate and report upon the manner in which settlers had filed on

Many Applications Held Up.

In the Portland Land District alone epplications for patent to 100 homesteads and probably 425 timberland filings or commuted homesteads have been held up for various periods, ranging from six for various periods, ranging from six months to two and three years. In a large majority of these cases there were pending no contests nor was there any evidence of irregular procedure on the part of the claimants. The new order, however, it is explained by men conversant with the Land Office business, does not imply or contemplate that patents to these lands will be issued on a wholesale basis. On the contrary, it is understood that lands will proceed to patent only that lands will proceed to patent only where there exists no question of irregu-larity in the application and proof. In cases where contests are pending, or

where unfavorable reports have been re-turned by the special agents, the usual procedure will have to be gone through with, and the claimant will be required to show good faith in his actions, which entirely regular, before patent

have accumulated in the General Land Office, probably one-third are Oregon settlers. The effect of the order is to ransfer ...ie from the Government to the ndividual claimant and make available for permanent homes as well as for purposes of taxation, approximately 1,000,000 acres within this state. It is evidently the plan of Mr. Garfield, who only re-cently succeeded to the Secretaryship of the Interior Department, to facilitate the passing to patent of all applications for homesteads and timber lands that have been legally made in all states wherein are located public lands.

Policy of President.

This plan is merely carrying out such a policy that has been determined upon by the President, who, at the same time, has devised plans for throwing about the public land business all necessary safe-guards to successfully defeat monopolies. Registers and receivers of land offi-ces will be instructed to facilitate the issuance of final certificates in all cases to bona fide settlers. These officials will also be acquainted with the fact that they will be held strictly to account for the exercise of sound discretion and good judgment in the porformance of this duty, that the interests of the public and the Government in preventing illegal entries

Government in preventing illegal entries may be properly guarded.

"Through its revised policy for handling the public land business," said a land office attorney restorday, "It appears that the Government desires to not only encourage the legal acquisition of these lands, but to expedite the issuance of the same to patent where all proceedings are contain compare. Mineral lands, within same to patent where all proceedings are state to investigate and report upon the manner in which settlers had filed on these tracts. The action of the department in directing that these lands be patented is taken to mean one of the pre-imminary steps in carrying into execution the modified land policy of President Recessvelt, which is construed as heling designed.

cidedly more liberal than that which has not be allowed to pass to final certificate prevailed for some time.

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At the same time the powers of the officers of the different land offices are en-larged, respecting the entries of land in the nominal areas. Such entries are to be considered by the resident land office be considered by the resident land office officials with a view to final action by them and the issuance of final certificate in the regular order."

OFFICE SHORT OF CLERKS

Over Five Hundred Land Proofs Are Held Up at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., March 17 .- (Special.)-The local Land Office says that there are from 500 to 600 final proofs awaiting ac-tion. Delay has been due to lack of clerical assistance, rather than to the President's former order, though action on some proofs was delayed to some extent by that order. Many of these cases have been pending since 1904, but most of them have accumulated since reopening of this office, January 8, 1906, after a sus-pension of one year.

The suspension resulted in a great accumulation of business and the local of-ficers have never been furnished suffi-cient halp to clear up the work. Besides there has been a great rush of applications here ever since the office reopened.

The expectation that the timber and stone act would be repealed caused a scramble to make filings. During the month of February, 1997, there were filed nere 154 timber and stone applications, to say nothing of homestead and scrip applications. The officers here are doing their best to clear up the work, but are

Glad to Know Patents to Lands Will Be Expedited:

LA GRANGE, Or., March 17.-(Special.) Two thousand entrymen in this district, who have been waiting from a month to two years for patents from the Government, will be affected by the President's recent instructions to the General Land Office to expedite the issuance of patents. The local Land Office is six months behind in the work here, a great majority of papers being held up in Washington.

Logger Cuts Artery in Arm.

Albert Timmins, a workman at Taylor's losging camp, near Keiso, Wash., was brought to St. Vincent's Hospital yester-day for treatment for a severed artery in the arm. While carrying a crosscut saw. Timmins fell upon it, the saw inflicting a dangerous wound. Timmins will recover.

> KISER FOR SCENIC PHOTOS. Lobby Imperial Hotel

New Tailored Suits, ranging in price from \$15.00 to \$150.00

CAPTAIN JAMES WILSON SAILS ON LAST VOYAGE.

Was Engaged in Steamboating on Columbia and Willamette for Nearly Forty Years.

In the death of Captain James Wilson yesterday at his home, 47 East Third street north, a well known pioneer of river navigation in Oregon passed away. At Cherhourg, a fortified seaport town and naval station of France, Captain Wisson was born August II, 1827. His father, James A. Wilson, was a sailor and was connected with the French navy-yard at Cherhourg. All the squestion Captain Cherbourg. All the education Captain Wilson received in France was prior to his ninth year, for at that age he went to sea, following the taste he inherited from his father. Aboard a merchant ship he shipped as a cabin boy, and came to America in 1836, his first trip being to

Martingue. In 1943 he entered the American merchant marine as mate.

Captain Wilson came to Portland in 1852. As a deck hand on the Multnemah, one of the first steamers on the Columhia, he sailed from Portland to the Cas-cades during the floodtide of emigration to Oregon. In 1854 he became captain of the steamer Portland, in which capacity he served for some time. Later he was a deckhand on the steamer Marie Haslow operated between the Cascades and The Dalles. In 1865 he became captain of the heavily handicapped. All clerks must be furnished by the authorities at Washington from the Civil Service list, and the Willamette and Reliance, remaining with supply seems scarce.

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A few years later he became connected with the Oregon Rallway & Navigation Company, with which he remained

many years.
In 1889 Captain Wilson went into the wilderness of Clackamas County, having decided to quit the water and become a farmer. In the wilderness Captain Wilson bought 29 acres which he cleared and put under cultivation. He prospered and puired valuable property in Oregon City

acquired valuable property in Oregon City and in Portland.
Captain Wilson was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Christian Church. He leaves a wife and the following children: August Wilson, living near Portland; Mrs. Cella Peters, living near Portland; Erwin Wilson, Clackamas County; Walter Wilson, Gobel, Or.; Mrs. A. E. Holcomb, Portland; Mrs. Perry Baugher, Portland; Mrs. Fannie Gell, Portland. Captain Wilson had been in falling

health for the past ten months. He moved to Fortland from his farm about seven months ago. Arrangements for the funeral will be made today.

Delay in Tillamook Mail Service.

TILLAMOOK Or, March Beershall

There is a good deal of complaint in Tiliamook City on account of the mail, which previously came in via North Yam-hill, over the Trask Road, being sent to Sheridan, and thence coming in by way of the Grand Ronde. This makes a delay of six hours in the mail arriving in this city, and holds over the mail one day for points north of here. Mayor Botts and the business men will protest against the change, which was made without giving the citizens any notice.

HE LIKES KELLY'S BUTTE

Vagrant Confesses to Weakness for Prison and Would Return.

Few men who have "done time" at Kelly's Butte ever wish to return, but Henry Dahm is an exception to this rule. Dahm was picked up by Patrolman J. F. Anderson last night, and when taken be-fore Captain Slover said he would rather go back to the Butte than leave town, He was released from the rockpile last Friday and came to the city with no visible means of support. He has been wander-ing around Anderson's beat for the past two days, and was twice told to leave.

two days, and was twice told to leave. When taken to the station last night he was asked if he wished to get out of town or go back to Kelly's Butte.

"I'd rather go back to the Butte," he said. "You see the cooking is good and I like the place." The police made no objection, and it is probable that Judge Cameron will make his next visit a more



WASHINGTON ST. PORTLAND

OF

ROAD.

Body of Garden Home Girl Lies on Ground Near Beaverton All Night Undiscovered.

HILLSBORO, March 17.-(Special.)-Miss Emma Nicholson, whose parents reside near Garden Home, Multnomah County, was found dead on the road between Beaverton and Cedar Mill, early this morning. The young woman, who was about 20 years of age, came out from Portland last night, and left the train at Beaverion, starting for the home of a friend, a Miss Johnson. It was her in-tention to attend a dance at the Wood-man hall, near Cedar Mill. This morning the body of Miss Nichol-son was found and identified by Robert

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found that she came to her death from auses unknown, probably from There was a slight scratch on her face, but this was a sight scratch on her face, but this was attributed to the fall. There was no mark of violence, and it is supposed that the young woman was hurrying along and that her exertions brought on an attack of heart weakness, causing death.

The remains were taken to Garden Home by her father, this afternoon.

La Grande Denied City Delivery.

LA GRANGE, Or., March 17 .- (Special.) The Postal Inspector, who was recent-ly here investigating the application for free mail delivery for this city, has sent to the department an adverse report. The day, whereas the mails call for two de-

liveries during the day.

In all other respects La Grande is entitled to consideration. The postoffice receipts exceed by several hundred dollars, exclusive of box rentals, the required sum, and the conditions of the walks and the house numbering are up to the required standard.

FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO.

226-228 ALDER ST., Bet. First and Second "FIGHTING THE BEEF TRUST"

Fancy Prime Rib Soup Meat 3¢ Smith's Bologna Sau-Brisket of Beef 5¢ Smith's Frankfurt Lean Cuts of Beef, boil 5¢ Sausage (pure) ... 10¢

citizen wishes it.

These Prices for All This Week. |Smith's Hams 171/20 Roast Beef 10¢ Smith's Bkft. Bacon.171/c Tenderloin Steak ... 121/2¢ Smith's Pure Lard ... 12¢ Plate Cuts of Beef..., 5¢ sage (pure), 3 lbs.. 25¢

As the octopus of the sea dashes itself helpless upon the rocks amidst the derision of the smaller fish, on whom it has been accustomed to feed, so let the unwieldy octopus of America's food supply, the Beef Trust, find itself high and dry upon the rocks of failure at Portland, the furtherest Western point it seeks to covet. It aims to catch in its maw every meat dealer. It tries to drag into its net the public who eat the meat, and the farmer and the livestock man who raise it. If we all co-operate and stand together, the Beef Trust, in its desperation to get us, will dash itself upon the shore of defeat, a fate which every honorable