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KENTUCKY WHISKY,
CALIFORNIA WINES,
DOMESTIC CIGARS.

MONTANA BEER,
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Corner Main and Conrad Streets, Choteau, Montana.

THE CITY DRUG STORE

C. H. DRAKE, Proprietor.

PURE DRUGS and MEDICINES

Fruit, Confectionery,
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A New Line of STATIONERY

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Firstclass Restaurant.....

Under New Management.

MEALS
AT
ALL
HOURS.

Cuisine Unsurpassed.

**The Como
Company.....**

Great Falls, Montana.

We frame Pictures correctly and keep a complete stock of Artists' supplies and Pictures.

We carry a full line of Window Glass, Paints, Oils, Brushes, Varnishes, etc.

Our stock of Wall Paper is unusually large and attractive. Send for Samples.

The handsomest and best arranged store of the kind in Montana. Call & see it.

The Art Studio

Another shipment of Framed Studies just received. Our price as usual is lower than the lowest From 55c and up.

Mrs. E. N. HAUGEN, Choteau, Montana.

The CHOTEAU HOUSE

Wm Hodgskiss Prop.

Centrally Located and the Best Accommodations of any House in the County. Service and Cuisine surpassed by no other House.

Liquors and Cigars

Furnished for the Convenience of its Customers.

Livery and Feed Stable

Run in Connection. Largest and most Convenient Barn in Town. Careful and Painsstaking man in charge. Reasonable Charges.

LOCAL NEWS

About 2 dozen framed studies special price 75c at the Art Studio.

We have the only stock of real China in the city at the City Drug Store.

The finest assortment of Xmas goods can be seen at the Choteau Mercantile Co.

C. J. Kinna, of Lowry, was a business visitor at the county seat a couple of days this week.

Parties having pipe wrenches owned by Byron Corson will please return same at once and avoid trouble.

Now is the time to buy your Christmas presents, because you can buy at eastern prices at the City Drug Store.

FOR SALE—One lively barn One house and four lots. For further particulars inquire at this office.

Do not overlook the babies at Christmas time, we have everything for the little ones at the City Drug Store.

Lawrence Davis left here Tuesday morning for Preston, Washington, where he will visit his brother, Ed Davis, for a couple of weeks.

Don't overlook the cup and saucer that will be given away with every \$5.00 and over purchase of dry goods on Dec. 22, 23 and 24 at the Choteau Mercantile Co.

Alex Yale returned to his home at the Dupuyer saw mill. His daughter, Miss Marion, who has been on the sick list here for several days, is considerably better.

Brown and Parker are getting out fire wood and fence posts at the Willow creek grade and are prepared to fill orders, large or small, for material of this description.

The young men of Choteau will give a dance at the town hall on December 31, 1902. This will be the last dance you'll get this year. Come and enjoy yourself.

Lost—An old brown recitation book, entitled "Choice Selections," and a large blue book also containing recitations. Also a copy of Barnabas by Marie Corelli. Finder please return to Mrs. Erickson.

John Souci, a dago, was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail for assault in the third degree by Justice Dawes, of Shelby, and was brought to Choteau last Saturday by Deputy Burbank to serve out his time.

It may be quite possible that small pox has stalked through this county and about town during the past week. A number of Cree Indians have been in town and rumaging through the country, all to no good purpose.

W. H. Bell and W. Cury, horse buyers from Medicine Hat, N. W. T., were in town a couple of days this week, and left Wednesday for Missoula to look over a bunch of about 1000 horses that are reported to be for sale. They expect to return to this section in a couple of weeks.

Sheriff-elect C. W. Taylor has announced the appointment of James M. Wilcox as deputy at Shelby. We believe Mr. Wilcox will make a good officer, and sincerely hope his administration will be as satisfactory to the people of the county as has been Deputy Sheriff Moberly's.

Thos. McGrath arrived here last evening from Great Falls and has entered upon his duties as head mixologist at the Club saloon. Mr. McGrath was formerly a resident of Neihart and has many friends among the old timers who used to make that camp their headquarters.

Christmas eve the school children of Bynum will render a literary program at the school house to be followed by a basket supper and Christmas tree. Afterwards a dance will be given. The entire neighborhood will participate in the evening's amusements and every one is cordially invited to be present.

Deputy Sheriff Burbank came in last evening from Pondera having in custody Chas. Gibson, an employee at Callahan's camp. Gibson is slightly demented and an examination will probably be held today. The rumor that Gibson has been assisting Ferg in editing the Shelby Independent is untrue, as it will probably not be necessary to send the unfortunate man to Warm Springs.

In Justice Magee's court at Dupuyer last Saturday, Peter Marceau and Sam Choate were bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500. The defendants are accused of stealing a buck, the property of E. D. Cooper. Choate was able to furnish bonds but Marceau could not rustle the required amount and was brought over to Choteau the first of the week by Deputy Dean and is now a star boarder at the Hotel de Taylor.

Over three thousand pounds of Christmas candies at the City Drug Store.

A swell line of men's ties—all the newest—first come first served. Jos. Hirschberg & Co.

Toys till you can't rest—bring the children to see our big line of toys. Jos. Hirschberg & Co.

Major R. A. Allen, of Dupuyer, was a visitor at Choteau on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Sheriff George C. Taylor returned Wednesday evening from a short business trip to Great Falls.

It is a pleasure for us to show you our Christmas goods, whether you buy or not at the City Drug Store.

Mrs. W. Bruce has been seriously sick with erysipelas for several days past, but is now considerably better.

A marriage license has been issued to Austin H. Fisher of Cut Bank, and Miss Bertha Rezakite Lunek, formerly of Ackloy, Iowa.

Mrs. Reta R. Barton is in town from Great Falls attending to matters of business. She will return to the Falls tomorrow.

Dr Long has purchased the old Hazlett property, next to James Snigrove's, and intends fixing it up for an office and residence.

Mrs. Lockhart and son left Choteau last Tuesday morning for California where they will spend the winter with relatives.

Miss Mackie, of Pondera, was in town Wednesday, on her way to Great Falls, where she will visit with relatives for a few weeks.

FOR RENT—Two sheds. Each are capable of accommodating 2000 sheep with from 100 to 150 tons of hay at beds. WALTER CLARK, Bynum.

We have the largest and best selected stock of Christmas goods that ever came to Teton county at prices to suit your pocket at the City Drug Store.

O. G. Cooper and wife have gone to California where they will remain for several weeks. It is probable they will also visit Mr. Cooper's cousin at Horolulu before their return to Choteau.

Arlio Moore is determined to make a disturbance at the concert Saturday evening. It is said that he is not satisfied with the noise he can make on the drum so intends to bring a small cannon with him to use in case of emergency.

Parties knowing themselves in debt to the firm of W. D. Hagen & Co., are hereby notified to settle their accounts at once. After January 1st all unsettled bills will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

Their Report Filed.

The commissioners appointed by Judge D. F. Smith at the last term of court, to ascertain the damages caused by the building of an irrigation canal through the lands of W. H. Franklin by Byron B. Rogers, have filed their report with the clerk of the district court. Their findings were as follows:

1.—The undersigned duly appointed commissioners in the matter of the above entitled cause, met as per appointment on the 15th day of December, 1902, at the house of W. H. Franklin, and proceeded to examine the lands through which right of way is sought.

2.—We decided to accept the statements set forth in the complaint and answer as evidence, and adjourned to meet at Choteau, Dec. 16th at 10 o'clock a. m. on which date after due deliberation we found as follows:

1.—That defendant will be damaged by said right of way in an amount which we estimate to be thirty one and 25/100 dollars (\$31.25).

2.—That defendant will be damaged through the segregation of his lands by such right of way in an amount which we estimate to be fifty dollars (\$50.00).

3.—That plaintiff be required to construct two (2) substantial bridges and maintain the same across any ditch which plaintiff may construct upon said right of way at points to be designated by defendant.

4.—That plaintiff be required to construct such ditch in a manner not to interfere with any system of irrigation maintained by the defendant.

5.—That said right of way be twenty five (25) feet wide through the lands of defendant.

Respectfully submitted, JAMES DRINKWINE, WALTER MATTHEWS, J. W. SHIELDS.

FOR SALE.

1280 acres of land with 60 shares of Eldorado water. J. E. Wzbb.

FOR SALE.

A well improved ranch of 160 acres adjoining the Choteau townsite. Call on J. G. Bair. wlf.

A BARGAIN.

I have a complete 12 foot bar outfit in good condition for sale cheap. Wm. Hodgskiss, Choteau, Mont.

SUITABLE

SUGGESTIONS

FOR

CHRISTMAS

The greatest chance of the year to select from our magnificent stock of Christmas Novelties. Every department is being filled to its fullest capacity. Also an unsurpassed line of all-the-year-round goods. If you find it difficult to decide upon an appropriate gift, step in and let us offer you some suggestions as to how you can make your presents a lasting and a pleasurable remembrance.

Little Folks' Toys.

- Rocking Horses.....\$2.50 and up
- Shoelies..... 1.65 and up
- Doll Buggies..... 50c and up
- Doll Go-carts..... 80c and up
- Undressed Dolls, leather body..... 1.25 and up
- Fancy Dressed Dolls..... 75c and up
- Rubber Dolls..... 20c and up
- Rubber Rattles..... 25c and up
- Rubber Balls..... 25c and up
- Jack-in-the-Box..... 25c and up
- Wooden Furniture, parlor set..... 75c and up
- Iron Savings Banks..... 50c and up
- Fancy Horns..... 50c and up
- China Dishes in fancy sets..... 50c and up
- Drums..... 50c and up
- Trucks..... 1.75 and up
- Wooden Wheelbarrow..... 25c and up

These are just a few of the many Toys we have to show. We do not have the space to give the price and descriptions of them all. Call and let us show you and make you prices that will surprise. We have all kinds of Games, Wooden Chairs, Desks, Tin and Iron Toys, also a fine assortment of Books, etc.

Suitable Gifts for Ladies and Gentlemen.

- Toilet Cases,
- Toilet Sets,
- Jewelry Boxes,
- Trinket Cases,
- Handkerchief Boxes,
- Glove Boxes,
- Manicure Cases,
- Wink Boxes,
- Fancy Neck Scarf,
- Pair of Kid Gloves,
- Pair of Pillow Shelves,
- Cushion Covers,
- Silk Waists,
- Fine Gold Watch,
- Gold Chain,
- Scarf Pin,
- Cut Glass Water Set,
- Silver Table Set,
- Fur Collerette,
- A Dress Pattern,
- A Fancy Dish,
- Box of Candy,
- Smoking Cases,
- Neck Tie Cases,
- Collar and Cuff Boxes,
- Nice Silk Muller,
- Nice Pair of Slippers,
- Smoking Jacket,
- Pair of Gloves,
- Pair of Suspenders,
- A Swell Neck Tie,
- A Gold Watch,
- A Gold Chain,
- Gold Locket,
- Cup and Saucer,
- Reading Chair,
- A Nice Book,
- Brier Pipe,
- Shaving Cases,
- A Nice Cap,
- Pair Gold Cuff Buttons,
- Silk Handkerchiefs,
- Shaving Mug,
- Box of Good Cigars.

We can supply your wants in any of the gifts mentioned, and a great many more. Give us a call. We can satisfy your wants.

Gents and Boys Clothing.

We have the largest and most up-to-date line of Gents' and Boys' Clothing in Teton county. As we do not have the room to give prices, we invite you to call and see our stock.

Gents' Furnishings.

- Fancy Sweaters.....\$2.00 and up
- Fancy Suspenders..... 75c and up
- Fancy Cotton Hose..... 25c and up
- Fancy Neck Ties..... 25c and up
- Fancy Mullers..... 50c and up
- Fancy Gloves..... 1.25 and up
- Fancy Shirts..... 75c and up

Shoe Department.

- Ladies' White Toe Slipper.....\$2.00
- Ladies' Black Enamel Slippers..... 1.50
- Ladies' Black Beaded Slippers..... 2.50
- Ladies' Dress Shoes..... 4.00
- Ladies' Street Shoes..... 2.75
- Misses' Black Slippers..... 1.25
- Misses' Dress Shoes..... 2.25
- Gents' Enamel Dress Shoes..... 4.50
- Gents' Vici Dress Shoes..... 3.50
- Gents' Cordovan Walking Shoes..... 5.00
- Gents' Fancy Velvet Slippers..... 1.00
- Boys' School Shoes..... 2.25

Silks and Dress Goods.

- Crape de Chine Silk.....\$1.25 per yard
 - Tafteta Silk, all colors..... 90c per yard
 - 21-inch China Silk, all colors..... 60c per yard
 - 38-inch Wool Henrietta, all colors..... 65c per yard
 - 38-inch Wool Albatross, all colors..... 65c per yard
 - 38-inch Wool Crape de Chine..... 90c per yard
- We have a nice line of Wool Suitings, in heavy and light weights, also trimmings to match.

Domestics.

- Apron Gingham..... 6c per yard
- Blue Prints, 36 to..... 12 1/2c per yard
- Sisalene, all colors..... 15c per yard
- Crotoms, all colors..... 10c per yard
- 36-inch Preeales..... 15c per yard
- Light Colored Outing Flannel..... 10c per yard
- Fruit-of-the-Loom Muslin..... 10c per yard
- Good Quality Feather Ticking..... 18c per yard
- Crash Toweling..... 12 1/2c per yard
- Bleached Bed Sheets, each..... 60c each
- Pillow Cases, per pair..... 25c

The above suggestions cover only a few of the many nice goods that can be seen in our store. New goods are coming in every day. Every day we can show something new in goods, quality and prices. We have the largest stock of Furniture in Teton county, and the lowest prices. We can save you at least 30 per cent on every dollar's worth of goods you buy from us. If you can not come and see for yourself, send us your mail orders. They will receive prompt attention.

FOLLOW THE CROWD TO THE

Choteau Mercantile Company.

LEADERS IN LOW PRICES.