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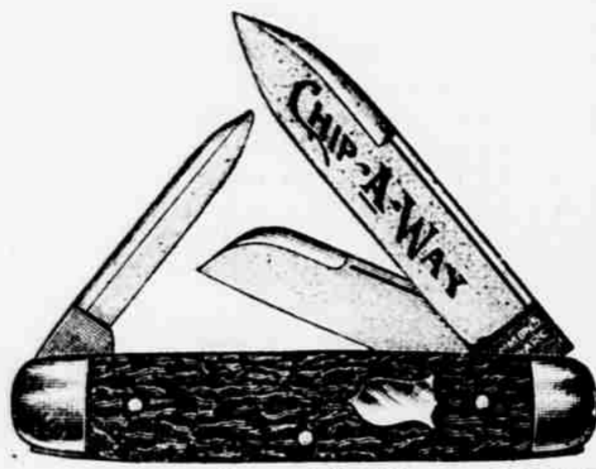
Xmas Gifts..



As Christmas time is drawing near we wish to call your attention to some of the nice things we have for you.

Pocket Knives, Fancy Scissors and Shears, Skates and Silver Ware.

We carry the most complete line of cutlery shown in the town, including Simmons' "Keen Kutter" Pocket Knives and the "Claus" brand Shears. Both lines are fully guaranteed to be the best, and if not found satisfactory in every way, are exchangeable. We also carry a complete line of "Klipper Klub"



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Remember. Come to the

RED FRONT MERC. CO

TALK OF THE TOWN

Born to Ed Clarke and wife, Sunday, Dec. 18, 1904, a girl.

Dave and Larkin Hancock were in town a few days the past week.

Miss Julia Query is assisting in Morey's store during the holiday trade.

John Novak and his son William were in town last Saturday on business.

August Epke was down from Crookston Tuesday buying Christmas goods.

Geo. W. Keller, of Cascade, came up Tuesday to see the sights of our city.

Richard Osborn was in town trading Saturday and called at this office on business.

Mrs. Norman, of Gordon, came down Friday morning to deliver her Christmas order of books.

S. L. Ellis was in town the first of the week again for a load of goods for his store at Simeon.

Miss Ada Stinard came home from her school in the Tetherow district, Saturday, spending Sunday at home.

Ira Stuart was down from Cody last Saturday, the first time for a long time, but we suppose he keeps busy at home.

Convenient improvements have been made at the Chicago hotel, making three small rooms into one large one for an office.

Hans Ulrich was in town Saturday stepping high. He told us to send his paper to Sparks so that he could get the news before it got old.

The banks and postoffice will be closed on next Monday as a legal holiday. Since Christmas comes on Sunday the day following is the legal holiday.

Mrs. Moon and daughter will start Friday morning for Iowa, where they will visit for a month or more with parents, other relatives and friends.

Joe Jennett made Bob Gillaspie a present of a \$5 Stetson hat for a Christmas present the other day. Say, its been a long time since the Editor had a new hat.

Miss Inez Pettycrew, Clinton Collett and Geo. Hornby returned to Valentine Saturday morning from University Place to enjoy a two weeks vacation at home.

R. F. Gillaspie came up from his ranch last week with his wife and mother to see them safely off on a trip to their old home in Arkansas. They started Sunday morning.

B. Hartigan and brother, who has been working in the U. S. land office, leave Friday morning for Hastings, to be present at the marriage of their sister, Miss Anna, to Alvin E. Murray of Hastings.

Charley Tackett came down from the reservation Monday and tells us that he predicted the last storm. Charley brought a sorrel horse along with him to sell which weighed 1060 pounds and offers to sell it at \$100.

Last Saturday D. C. Sullivan, Jerry Warden and John R. and Wm. H. LeLacheur were in town from Steene precinct, the first named being complainant in a suit against the Standard Cattle Co. for damages.

A. H. Stees, of Kennedy, returned this week from a trip to the World's fair and other places, having been gone a couple of months, nearly. Stees always meets a great many friends everywhere for he's a good fellow.

Frank Krampert and wife, of Woodlake, have a girl, born about a month or so ago, so A. W. Peterson told us while in town Friday. Frank was up here several months ago and said he wished for a girl as he had several boys.

Al Thacher came up from the Post Tuesday to stay at home. It seems like old times to see him on the streets again and Al no doubt is glad to get back. It has been several months since Mr. Thacher went to the post to have a carbuncle cut out of his neck.

Henry Murphy and son were in town on business Monday. They drove up through the storm Sunday and found it pretty severe. The wind blew fiercely from the northwest, though it was not as cold as it usually is in such a storm. Monday the weather was fine again and continues so.

C. V. Thorn came down from Ring Thunder last Saturday to do some trading and meet his sister, Miss Luella, who, on account of the cold wave and storm Sunday, couldn't accompany him home. Mr. Thorn is looking well and enjoys himself at his work on the reservation as teacher.

Miss Luella Thorn came up from Lincoln last Thursday to visit friends in Valentine and vicinity a couple of weeks. Miss Luella surprised many of her friends here as it has been four years since she left here and has grown taller and she was not expected by many who perhaps had to guess at first who the lady was who seemed to know so many people.

THE DEMOCRAT office has just received a fine lot of enamel blotters which we will furnish with your advertisement or business card printed upon them in lots of 100 to 1000 at \$1.25 for 100, \$2.00 for 250, \$3.00 for 500 or \$5.00 per 1000 for blotters of best grade 120 pound enamel back, size 4x9 1/2 inches, assorted colors. The small size 3x6 1/2 inch blotters at a lower price. Call and see us.

The stores have a lot of goods displayed for Christmas trade. If you don't get to buy Christmas presents before Christmas you should come in after Christmas and see the splendid displays of goods. The windows trimmed up with holiday effects and counters loaded with pretty things make us wish we were young again and lived in the present age as a boy. But away back thirty or forty years ago we appreciated a stocking full of candy and nuts perhaps as much as children of today do the numerous presents that are bought so cheap.

Notice to Homesteaders.

Several persons have inquired whether or not it would be necessary to establish a residence on their 640 homestead within the six months as prescribed by homestead law. Some have the impression that an extension of time to establish a residence was granted or would be granted. We can say that we have it from reliable authority that no extension of time had been granted to homesteaders and that it is not likely that such extension of time would be granted as was talked of recently in relation to the 640 acre homesteads. Leniency may be practiced where there are no contestants but it is unsafe to assume that Uncle Sam is going to make a special law for the benefit of those who want to hold a 640 acre homestead without living upon it.

Xmas Fancies!

We are carrying a full line of Xmas Groceries We want your trade. Call in and get prices.

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- New York Apples, best quality.
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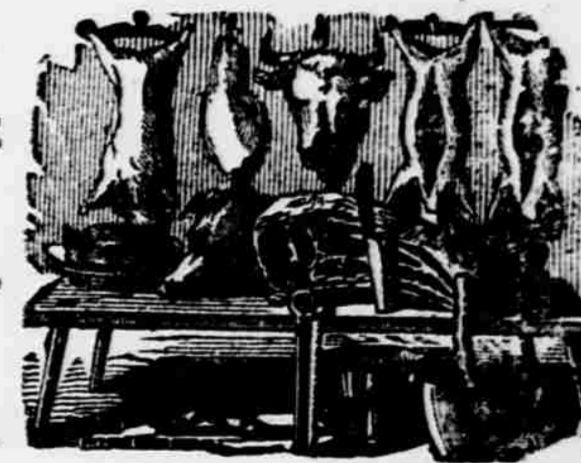
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