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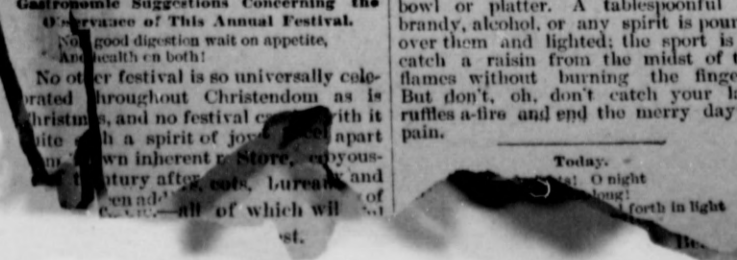
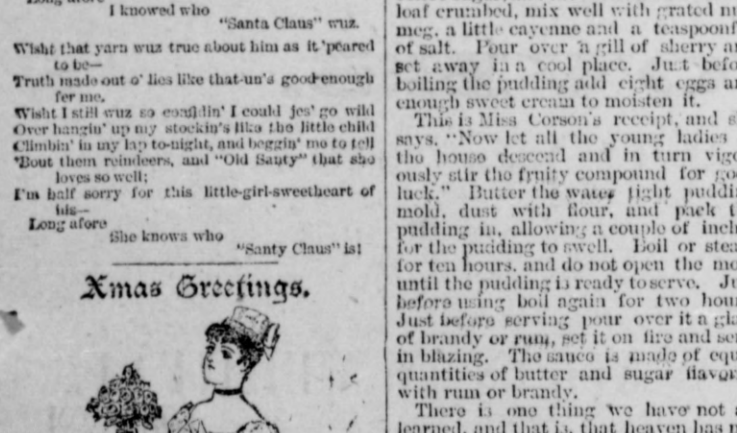
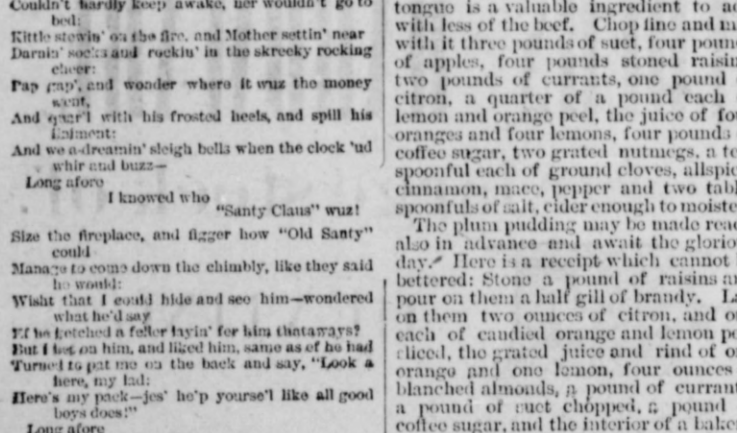
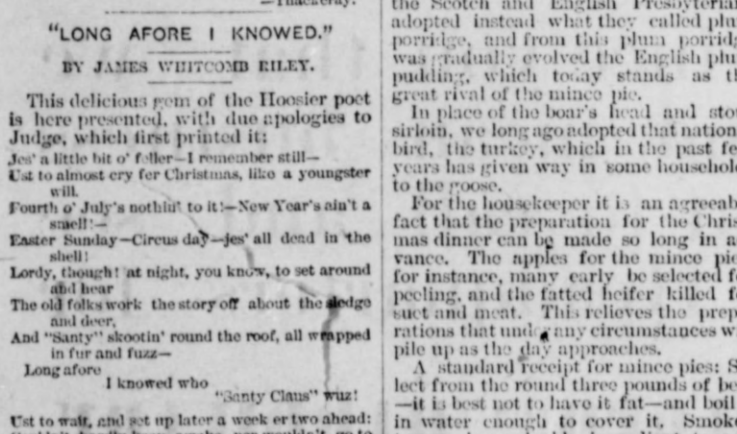
VOL. II,

BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 20, 1888.

NO. 2.

To the farmer, have it in the machinery... J. L. Lea & Co.

'TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE 'GIT-UP-AND-GIT' THAT MAKES MEN GREAT.'



HILLSFORD'S HERMIT.

A CHRISTMAS STORY, NOT AFTER THE REGULATION PATTERN.

It was so long ago! But God can make it now...

HILLSFORD is a pretty little village on a river as pure as truth...

I write of it had all the requisites of a thriving town...

For the housekeeper it is an agreeable fact that the preparation for the Christmas dinner can be made so long in advance...

At last they mostly settled down to the life of a hermit...

It was often said that Weaver would be found starved or frozen to death some time...

The expedition set forth the next morning...

boys hung on to the sled until driven back when half a mile out of town.

There was no response. The expression of decision on the marshal's face deepened...

Still there was no answer. When they were gazing about whether it was time to use the ax...

When I am weary of life I shall send for Dr. Horsely...

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'I WILL KILL YOU LIKE DOGS.'

widow, whose only dower were a boy of 12 and a girl of 9 years.

Accompanied by Robby she went over to Hunt's to see the hermit...

Then began her work of care, work and anxiety...

Christmas was almost at hand...

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finish the season there. We wish them every happiness under the sun.

WASHINGTON LETTER. (From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10th, 1888

Senator Beck's absence has been seriously felt in the Senate since the republican tariff bill has been taken up.

Representative Mills has broken down under the immense strain of the last session and the campaign.

Last week it looked for a while as if the republicans were to lose the next House after all...

Secretary Whitney has ordered three naval vessels to proceed to Havti as soon as they can be made ready for sea...

No legislation looking to the admission of new states is probable at this session.

Baird Drug Co., Texas, GENERAL DEALERS IN DRUGS AND Supplies.

A complete line of Notions, Combs, Hair Brushes and everything usually kept in

A FIRST-CLASS DRUG STORE.

PUREST AND BEST DRUGS, BAIRD DRUG COMPANY.

CITY MEAT MARKET, E. SIGAL, Proprietor.

Fresh and Pickled Beef and Pork Sausage.

WM. CAMERON & Co., DEALERS IN LUMBER, SHINGLES, SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, MOULDING, POSTS AND STAYS.

LIME CEMENT, Etc. Baird, Texas.

J. H. HOFFMAN, BAIRD, TEXAS, House, Sign, and Ornamental PAINTER.

Furniture! Furniture! L. GOULD, Baird, Texas, Dealer in

FURNITURE.

Window shades, Picture Frames, A full and complete line of COFFINS, ready boxed.

Remember the place, at Harry Meyers' old stand on Market Street, Baird, Texas

Baird Wagon Yard.

Good camp house, good well of water, good sheds, etc. FEED at retail prices.

Amas Greetings.

Beautiful and right it is that gifts and good wishes should fill the air like snow flakes at Christmas time...

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Miss Corson suggests at the Christmas dinner the old game of snap dragons...

Today, tonight, tomorrow, the north is light.

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WEEKLY STAR. ILLIAND, Publisher. SUBSCRIPTION \$1.50 A YEAR. at the postoffice at Baird, Texas, of class matter. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1888.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Don't let the New Year find you indebted to the printer. While eating your Christmas turkey, make a resolve that you will pay up and a year in advance.

Small turn deserves another. THE STAR has visited you regularly for a year, in sunshine and storm, without asking for anything. Now pay up old scores and a year in advance.

If you have already paid, why, of course, we mean the other fellow who hasn't.

Coleman, Runnels, Mitchell, Nolan, Jones, Haskell and Fisher counties, may be contented to have it said that they are in the "Abilene country," but THE STAR wants it distinctly understood that Callahan county does not play second fiddle to any town or county in the West. Callahan county is a column of its own height.

"Remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth," sayeth the Scriptures. Remember thy County Paper in the days of thy prosperity, and pay what thou owest before the old year shall have passed away.

The last quotation is not Scripture, and sounds a little worldly, but it contains the very essence of the Golden Rule. Swap places with the printer, in your imagination, and you will get the full force of the illustration.

Look Here! Time's Up.

We have about three hundred names on our books who owe us for a year's subscription. We need the money, as we want to pay every cent we owe on rents and everything else by January 1st. We can pay up, if our subscribers will do the fair thing by us. We will send a statement to every man in arrears by January 1st. If you owe anything, you know it, then why not pay up, and not compel us to ask you for it. If you don't pay up, we will certainly have to ask for it, as we have waited patiently and made every shift possible to get along until our subscribers were in shape to pay without inconvenience. The time is up.

Maj. S. M. Jones, with his corps of surveyors left, last Saturday, to extend the survey of the Cattle Trail Railway, from Albany to Vernon. As soon as the survey is completed, we understand that immediate steps will be taken to organize a company and procure a charter for the road. We hope to see constructions begin on the road in the early Spring.

The Abilene Reporter thinks THE STAR man is "billious" because he objects to Callahan county being advertised as part of the "Abilene country."

No, he is not billious, but he does have considerable county pride and naturally dislikes to see his county appear before the public as playing second fiddle to Abilene. This and nothing more. The Reporter says it does not believe there are a dozen men in Callahan county who, if abroad, would be proud to say they lived in the "Abilene country." The Reporter has a fine opinion of the people of Callahan to be sure. Does the Reporter think the people of Callahan county are such numbskulls that they cannot see through such a thin disguise as this "Abilene country" palaver?

The whole thing was gotten up by the Abilene papers and newspaper correspondents to advertise Abilene, and no one will deny it.

The people of Abilene would think it presumptuous to call this part of the state the "Buffalo Gap country," the "Anson country" or "Baird country." Then by what right do Abilene writers claim to name this the "Abilene country?"

Capt. Maltby, who raised the potato which is giving our friend of THE STAR so much trouble, is proud to say that he lives in and cultivates the soil of the Abilene country.—Reporter.

The only trouble we have about Capt. Maltby and his farm is to keep the Abilene papers and newspaper correspondents from capturing both—for advertising purposes.

The Reporter further says Callahan county contributed largely to the success of the Abilene county fair, last Fall.

This is true, and THE STAR urged our county people incessantly to take part in the Fair which was advertised as the "Abilene District Fair."

No county probably did more to assist Taylor county in securing the \$500 prize at the Dallas Fair than Callahan county by her splendid exhibit at Abilene, part of which went to Dallas as the Taylor county exhibit. THE STAR never had ought to say against that. THE STAR does however object to having this county merged into the "Abilene country" with Abilene as the central figure, for the purpose of advertising that town. If his "billiousness, the Reporter will take the trouble to send a good deal of bile to the printer.

All accounts made with us are past due, and we need money. Come for-ward with your money, and let us get on our feet this month. Respectfully,  
W. E. GILLET.

A CHAT WITH OUR EXCHANGES.

The Colorado Clipper echoes the sentiments of every true Texan when it says:

"Since there is so much being said about admitting Dakota into the Union as two states, many papers east are talking about Texas being divided into two or three states. It will be a colder day than Dakota has when Texas is divided."

The Breckenridge Texian reports the discovery of a lead mine in Stephens county, as follows:

A farmer living two miles east of Mount Pleasant has discovered a rich mine of lead ore. Col. Wood, a geologist, has examined a sample of the ore, which, he says, is the richest he ever saw.

We publish the following clipping from the Coleman Voice, as a hint to our land agents:

About a year ago, the Fort Worth Gazette had this to say on the subject: "The local press may boom its towns for all eternity, but, unless its columns can show real estate advertisements, it will boom in vain."

Land agents would reap a greater reward than anyone else from an increased immigration, though but few are willing to spend a nickel to help their county paper along, and thus induce some of the thousands of immigrants that are continually passing through our county to other counties west of us to locate in our midst. Wake up, ye land men, and get a move on you, if you want to sell your lands.

THE STAR endorses the following from the Taylor County News. Dr. Tolar is probably better acquainted with the live stock interest of West Texas than any man elected to the present Legislature. The News says:

Dr. Tolar has received favorable mention, in several quarters, for the chairmanship of the committee on stock and stock-raising. We trust he may be selected for that position, as he is from one of the largest stock-raising districts in the State, and his long residence in this district and intimate acquaintance with the stock interests fit him for that position.

The Ballinger Leader now lives at home and boards at the same place.

"The Leader is now planted on a solid foundation 'neath its own vine and fig tree.' We have purchased H. M. Green's house and lot, the material formerly used in the publication of the Ballinger Bulletin, moved in, and will be at home—on Hutchings' Avenue, opposite Palace Drug Store—from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m., six days in the week. Drop in and see us prosper by the sweat of our brow."

Friend Truly is more fortunate than most of us, if he has to work only eleven hours out of the twenty-four. THE STAR force begins early in the morning, and, at least, two nights in the week, they have to work from 10 to 12 o'clock.

Brown county is no slouch itself when it comes to large potatoes. The Appeal, replying to the San Angelo Standard in reference to a sixteen-pound potato, says:

Why don't you report a regular twenty-two-pound sweet potato, such as was brought to this office by Smith Anderson, on the fork of the creek, this county?

PATENTS GRANTED to citizens of TEXAS during the past week, and reported for this paper by C. A. Snow & Co., Patent lawyers opp. U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

R. S. Munger, Dallas, Cotton press; Michael H. Shanley, Granbury, Kitchen cabinet; Emil Votsberger, Austin, Harness saddle; Frank Winn, Dallas, Direct acting steam engine; Jno. N. Lyle, Waco, Oil distributor for harbors, etc.

ALLIANCE RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, It has pleased the firms of Joseph H. Brown & Co., of Ft. Worth, Blankenship & Blake, of Dallas, to refuse to sell the co-operative store of Putnam a bill of goods for the cash; Therefore, Be it resolved by the Cottonwood Alliance No. 825, at a regular meeting, that we will not buy from or sell to the above firms or any merchants trading with them any manner of merchandise.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the Southern Mercury, the BAIRD STAR, and Cottonwood Prodigal, with the request that they publish the same.

By order of the Cottonwood Alliance No. 825.

CAL WALKER, Sec.

COTTONWOOD, Tex., Dec. 7th, '88. Callahan County Farmers' Alliance No. 839 convenes in regular session at Clyde, Texas, on Thursday, Jan. 10th, 1889, at 4 o'clock p. m. Please have Delegates and dues on hand promptly. Send in report by mail and oblige.

Yours Fraternally,  
W. E. GILLET.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TEXASMAN, Dec. 15th, 1888.

The case of W. M. Lebew vs. D. M. Thomas is on trial here, to-day, in Squire Barton's court, and it is attracting a great deal of attention. The suit is brought for damages to growing crop.

The infant daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Joe Stone died, to-day, about noon.

Quite a rain and hail storm, to-day.

O. K.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS AT R. Phillips, Druggist, Baird. Xmas Goods in endless variety. Call early and get first choice.

1888. SANTA CLAUS. After having resolved himself into a committee of the whole, has unanimously settled upon the BAIRD DRUG CO'S. STORE for his HEAD-QUARTERS, during the present Holiday season. They will show you a large line of Photograph and Autograph Albums that would astonish the natives, both as to beauty and cheapness. You will see a most elegant display of handsome wax, China, bisque and negro Dolls. There are beautiful Music Rolls in plush and beautifully ornamented. You will see Picture Frames of all kinds and varieties, suitable for any parlor. French plate Mirrors, fine, durable and cheap. Dressing Cases, Shaving Cases, Gloves and Handkerchief Cases in plush, Glove and Handkerchief Cases filled with elegant note paper and envelopes. Beautifully colored Angora Wool Dusters. Playing card and visiting card cases. Ladies' traveling bags and ladies' and girls' hand bags, very cheap. There is an elegant display of vases, beautiful mugs of various descriptions, fine statuettes, and cups for those who wear a moustache and for those who do not. There are shaving mugs, little mugs and large mugs, without end. If you want a fine magic lantern, you have but to call for it and it magically appears. Their line of perfumes is extensive and elegant, and after a thorough use of their extra toilet soaps, a few drops will make you as lovely and fragrant as the rose. If you would call your friends to tea they have sweet-toned bells to call them with. In the stationery line they have anything and everything you could wish, including many kinds of plain and fancy writing papers, envelopes, a large variety of pens, stylographic pens, fountain pens, also a large variety of pencils. They will by special arrangements with a wholesale Chicago jewelry house, display an entire new line of triple plate and solid gold jewelry which will be offered through the days, at astonishingly low prices, until sold on 1st of Jan.

MOON & CROWDER, Dealers In GENERAL MERCHANDISE, Such as Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Trunks, Valises, Jewelry and Groceries. We pay no rent, no clerk-hire, and we ask a careful consideration of the public to this fact. We will not be undersold by any house in Baird, or surrounding towns. Give us a trial and we will prove the above assertion.

Here We Are! And to convince you that we are here and mean business you have but to call and see that we are Headquarters for

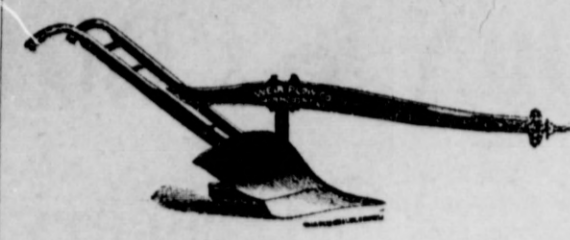
HEAVY AND BUILDERS' HARDWARE, And examine our large stock of COOK AND HEATING STOVES. I am Agent for the justly celebrated SUPERIOR COOKING STOVES with fire backs, guaranteed for 10 years, also keep in stock the MOHAWK and ALAMO cook stoves, also deal in

IRON, NAILS WAGON MATERIAL, Barbed Wire Wire Netting, RAZORS, SHEARS, Scissors Pocket and Table CUTLERY.

BAIRD-HOTELS. WHITLEY HOUSE, Front Street, Baird. The table always supplied with the best the market affords. Board and lodging, rates reasonable. W. C. Whitley, Proprietor. THAT FIGHT The Original Wins. C. F. Simmons, St. Louis, Prop'r M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, Esq'd 1893 in the U. S. Court DEFEATS J. H. Zelin, Prop'r A. D. Simmons Liver Regulator, Esq'd by Zelin 1895. M. A. S. L. M. has for 47 years cured INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS, DYSPEPSIA, SICK HEADACHE, LOST APPETITE, SORE THROAT, ETC. Rev. T. B. Reams, Pastor M. E. Church, Adams, Tenn., writes: "I think I should have been dead but for your Genuine M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine. I have sometimes had to substitute 'Zelin's stuff' for your Medicine, but it don't answer the purpose." Dr. J. H. Graves, Editor The Baptist, Memphis, Tenn., says: "I received a package of your Liver Medicine, and have used half of it. It works like a charm. I want no better Liver Regulator, and certainly no more of Zelin's mixture." Report of the Condition of the First National Bank of Baird at Baird, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, December 12th, 1888. RESOURCES. Loans and discounts \$100,919 08 Over-drafts, secured and unsecured 829 79 U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 18,729 00 Due from approved reserve agents 2,532 54 Due from other National Banks 8,461 57 Due from State Banks and bankers 2,850 39 Real estate, furniture and fixtures 11,465 00 Current expenses and taxes paid 1,725 83 Premiums paid 1,475 00 Checks and other cash items 789 00 Bills of other Banks 2,315 00 Fractional paper currency, notes and etc. 104 04 Specie 2,415 02 Legal-tender notes 2,009 03 Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (Spec. et. of circulation) 812 50 Total \$169,588 25 LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in \$75,000 00 Surplus Fund 5,445 00 Undivided profits 5,921 05 National Bank notes outstanding 10,879 00 Individual deposits subject to check 27,000 45 Time certificates of deposit 11,060 00 Due to other National Banks 3,241 01 Due to State Banks and 1 bank 140 77 Notes and bills re-discounted 14,201 01 Total \$169,588 25 I have everything usually kept in a first class Hardware store, and guaranteed by the best house in West-Texas. Come to BAIRD and see what we want.



**COTTON FACTORS**  
AND  
**Commission**  
**MERCHANTS.**  
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**CASH PAID**  
FOR  
**Cotton-**  
**WOOL,**  
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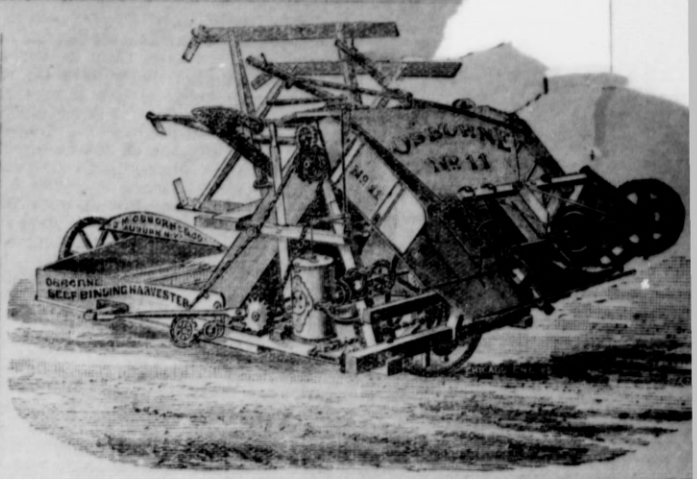
**PLOWS,**  
**WAGONS,**  
**DRILLS**  
AND ALL FARM IMPLEMENTS, CHEAPER THAN EVER FOR  
CASH OR ON REASONABLE TIME.  
J. L. LEA & CO.

**Big Stone Grocery Store.**

**J. L. LEA & CO.**

KEEP ON HAND A

LARGER STOCK OF GROCERIES, THEREFORE BUY AND SELL CHEAPER THAN ANYONE



D. M. OSBORNE'S  
HARVESTING  
MACHINERY  
Cheap and on Liberal Terms.  
J. L. LEA & CO.

We will Buy or Help You to Sell Your  
COUNTRY PRODUCE FOR CASH.

**J. L. LEA & CO.**

The Attention of the town trade is called to the fact that we have a Big Stock of Canned Goods of all kinds at New Prices, Bought Since the fall.

1888. Fall and Winter. 1889.

**T. E. POWELL**

Comes to the front again with a Magnificent stock  
OF **DRY-GOODS,**

**CLOTHING, Boots, Shoes, and a thousand  
and one things, too numerous to mention.**

COME ALL AND SEE MY BRAND NEW STOCK.

On hand and ahead,

**Ph. SCHWARTZ & BRO**

The leading Dry-Goods house of Baird. We are  
leaders of low prices. Can't be undersold, this  
is a settled fact. We carry a first-class stock of  
Dry-Goods, Boots, Shoes, Carpets, Notions Hats  
Caps, Trunks and Valises.

**FURNITURE,**

And a full line of Undertakers Goods.

COME AND SEE US.

**The Baird Weekly Star.**

W. E. GILLILAND, Publisher & Proprietor.

**LOCALETTES.**

Remember the poor.  
Christmas is almost here.  
"A 1" Brand of Flour, at Kane's.  
T. W. King has a new girl at his house.  
All kinds of Christmas candies and nuts, cheap, at Lea's.  
Look out for the festive firecrackers and roman candles.  
Bring in your wheat and oats.  
J. L. LEA & CO.  
John McDougal and Mr. Bond were in town with cotton, yesterday.  
T. H. Floyd, ex-county surveyor, went with the Cattle Trail Surveyors.  
J. W. Jones killed two hounds this week, one weighed 386 and the other 100.  
Firecrackers and roman candles are already here, to the dismay of some of our merchants.  
S. L. Robertson will move back to Baird about January 1st. We knew he couldn't stay away.  
The Christmas tree will not be for the benefit of the Sunday Schools only, but for all who wish to put presents on it.  
If you want to make your wife a nice Christmas present, get her a superior cooking stove or a hanging lamp, at Harry Meyers'.  
C. Estes looked, Tuesday, as though he had heard good news of some kind. On inquiry, he remarked: "Oh, nothing! only a girl."  
Christmas gift to all our readers. We will be satisfied with \$2.75 and send you in return 52 numbers of THE STAR in addition to the 52 numbers already sent.  
Baird Drug Co. have opened a magnificent display of Holiday goods. Just call and see their goods, and you can not help buying something for the little ones.  
A petition to clear the alleys and streets of hog pens and other filth is being circulated. It would be a good plan to start the New Year with a general cleaning up.  
Geo. B. Eley, Gun and Clock repairer, Clyde, Texas. All work left with Harry Meyer at Baird, or at shop will receive prompt attention. Look for card in THE STAR, next week.  
New Furniture just received at J. L. LEA & CO. Furniture Store, corner of Main and Second streets, all of which will be sold at a low price.

The Female College at Belle Plaine will give an entertainment at that place, to-night. The exercises will consist of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, etc., etc. All are invited to attend.  
Jones at Smith's Dinner Table.  
Say, Mr. Smith, where did you get this pure Maple syrup? At Ogle's, of course; he keeps the best groceries of any house in town, and they are always what they are represented.  
It's not the President's chair we want to occupy nor the position of Governor of Texas, but we do want the people to come and examine our cheap line of groceries and Christmas goods of all kinds. S. L. OGLE.  
We forgot to call attention to our Hotel ad, the Whitley House. When you want a good, square meal and fair, square treatment all around, call on our popular hotel man, W. C. Whitley, on Front Street. See card on 2nd page.  
New houses are going up in different portions of the town, and THE STAR is glad to note this, as it is an evidence that money matters are getting easier.  
Would not this be a good time to start a Building and Loan Association?  
From now until Jan. 1st, we will sell all goods for less than ever sold for before in Baird. A large invoice of Holiday goods to arrive this week direct from New York. Don't fail to see them, whether you wish to buy or not, for they are rare bargains.  
J. S. Foy.  
S. L. Robertson and W. A. Hinds will, at once, begin the erection of a \$3,000 stone building on the east side of Market Street, on the lot formerly occupied by Harry Meyers.  
Mr. Robertson will move his stock of goods from McKinney, and will occupy the new building as soon as it is completed.  
Frank Dorsey has just completed a nice residence in the west part of town. Mr. Young is also building a residence in that portion of the town. W. B. Vaughn has about finished his residence near the Presbyterian Church, in the east part of town. It is probable that two more residences will go up soon; one, in the east part of town, and the other, in the west part.  
Mince-Meat, Cranberries, Jellies, Jams, Preserves, Sauces, Pickles, Spices, Gelatine, Extracts, Condiments, Syrups, Buckwheat, Yeast Cakes, Baking Powders, Crackers, Oranges, Apples, Nuts, Candies, Raisins, Currants, Prunes, Chocolate, Cocoa, Macaroni, Vermicelli, Cheese, Butter, Eggs, Sugars, Coffees, Teas, Mackerel, Herrings, Lobster, Salmon, Corned Beef, Canned Fruits, Beans.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**  
W. A. McLaury was in town, Saturday.  
A. J. (Nuff) Arvin, of Cottonwood, was in town, last Friday.  
J. E. Gilliland, Postmaster at Torino, was taking in the city, Saturday.  
J. I. Rawson, who is teaching school at Eagle Cove, was in town, Saturday.  
Lee Estes is off, not to the war, but to help Maj. Jones finish the Cattle Trail Survey to Vernon.  
Miss Josie Sprewer, of Granbury, arrived, yesterday, on a visit to her sister, Mrs. R. F. Dunn.  
Miss Lou Coffman, of Cross Plains, and Miss Cora McGowan, of Cottonwood, made THE STAR office a pleasant call, last Monday.  
H. N. Marache left, Sunday, for Mineola where he will make his home for the present. He is succeeded at the depot by Mr. Brown, of Toyah.  
John Collins, J. B. Smart, M. M. Terry, —Barclay, Jess Hart, Rev. T. J. Austin, and others, were in attendance at the Masonic Lodge, Saturday night.  
**DIED.**  
Little Mary Bertha, aged three years, daughter of W. C. and Mary Huskins, of Baird, died, last Sunday, of diphtheria, after an illness of two weeks.  
**HOLIDAY RATES.**  
F. S. Gage, Agent, will sell round trip tickets, for the Holidays, on Dec. 23rd, 24th, and 31st (tickets good until January 2nd, 1889), for any distance not exceeding two hundred miles, for one fare for the round trip. For further information, inquire of the Agent at the depot.  
Our popular hardware dealer Harry Meyer, has surpassed himself this Fall in laying in such a splendid line of goods. It is no exaggeration to say that Harry has the neatest and best arranged Hardware store in the West. His display of crockery, glassware and lamps are really splendid, and is a credit to Baird. Harry has no competition, but this makes no difference, and he will sell you goods as low as any house in the state. This is the plain unvarnished truth.  
**NOTICE.**  
I desire to have all my accounts squared up by Jan. 1st. Those owing me will please come forward and settle. My books must be squared up. I have accommodated you during the hard times occasioned by the drought, and, as the country is now prosperous, I expect you to do so in return.  
ward and account.

**Santa Claus.**  
(Continued from last page.)  
scarf pins, studs, ladies' and gents' sleeve buttons, baby buttons, collar buttons, back of neck buttons, watch chains and chains, plated and solid, Necklace chains, bracelets, Masoule and other emblem pins. Do not risk your judgment as to the purity of an article; ask, and it will be told you straight, and, if we say solid, we warrant it to be just so; if it proves not to be so, bring it back and your money will be refunded.  
The following is a partial list of their toys and other articles:  
Cook stoves & kitchens.  
Pistols & pistol caps.  
Walking Girls.  
Locomotives that run themselves.  
Tin horns & cow horns.  
Tin flutes & whistles.  
China tea-sets.  
Pewter tea-sets.  
Imported card baskets.  
Scrap books.  
Violins that you can play on, price 50c. & 75c.  
ABC Panorama—something new and cheap.  
ABC blocks.  
St. Louis fish pond—a new game.  
Elegant line of papereries.  
A choice selection of Juvenile and other books, consisting, in part, of Sunday school and Church entertainments.  
Choice Humor.  
Young folks dialogues.  
" " Entertainments.  
" " Reading & Recitations.  
Child's own speakers.  
Choice dialects.  
Classic dialogues and dramas.  
Holiday entertainments.  
The elocutionist's annual.  
In fact, the assortment is so large that it is useless to undertake to enumerate every article.  
"Curly Lock Series."  
Mary Bells.  
Uncle Betty's.  
All these series consists of choice stories, beautifully illustrated with large colored plate pictures, and are just the thing for the youths.  
Their toilet articles are carefully selected. Among other articles, the Saunderson's pure face powder is worthy of mention, as well as the old standards, such as Swan's Down.  
Tallow's Gossmar.  
Rice powder.  
Violet powder.  
Pozzoni's powder.  
Lily of the valley beautiful puff boxes with them.

White rose.  
Laculla—a new odor.  
Jockey club.  
Lily of the valley.  
Heliotrope.  
They keep also a full selection of pens, penholders, stylographic and fountain pens, pen & pencil combinations, pencils with compass attachment for drawing and sketching, slate pencils, &c. &c. &c.  
They have recently put in a complete stock of ledgers, both single and double entry, journals, counter blotters, day & memorandum books, record books, composition & exercise books, pocket books & memorandum, bill holders & bill books, school books, note paper, plain and gilt, with round corners, legal cap, bill cap, &c. &c. &c.  
They handle the celebrated Victor "C" Noiseless slates, and, by buying in case lots, they can and do sell them at the same price of a common old slate, chalk crayons at 12 1/2-cents per box.  
They are headquarters for fine cigars, merschaum, briar root and applewood pipes, and also keep such articles as lanterns, lamp chimneys, burners and wicks, pocket knives, pocket mirrors, pocket match safes, shoulder braces, jew's-harp, french-harps, fife &c. &c. &c.  
I have issued my orders to them that every article must be sold at a very low price, and I therefore command my subjects in and around Baird, to call on them for their holiday goods, feeling confident that you will find something to suit you and at prices never before heard of in this country.  
With this proclamation, I bid you adieu until my next annual visit, with the firm belief that you will all be good, obedient, and dutiful children.  
**SANTA CLAUS.**  
All grades of New Orleans molasses. S. L. Ogle.  
Largest and cheapest line of clothing, at T. E. Powell's.  
We can suit you in New Orleans strap. Sample it. S. L. Ogle.  
Tables and bureaus in endless variety, at Gould's Furniture Store.  
Don't forget the fine assortment of Christmas candles at S. L. Ogle's.  
Get one of those beautiful dressing cases at Gould's Furniture Store.  
Best and cheapest Christmas candies in the market. S. L. Ogle.  
Just arrived, more trunks, and cheaper than ever. T. E. Powell.  
A better variety and cheaper oil than any house in town. S. L. Ogle.  
Mustache will remain in place, and will not fall out, by using the hair oil from Harry

**SPECIAL MENTION.**  
Buy your cranberries at Coppins'.  
Coppins' is headquarters for coal oil 16 yds. 10c. Domestic, 61.00, at Powell's.  
Six-ounce nickel railroad snuff. Ogle 25 yds. Better Calico, \$1.00, T. E. Powell. 20 yds. Calico for \$1.00 at T. E. Powell's.  
Willow chairs, at Gould's Furniture Store.  
A full line of collars always on hand at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
For fine shoes go to Powell, he will guarantee them.  
Just received, a fine lot of sugar-dripped molasses. S. L. Ogle.  
All kinds of Salt cheaper than ever at Lea's.  
Bran, Cotton Seed & other feed cheap at Lea's.  
Go to N. Porter, Abilene, Tex., for Full nickel buggy-harness, \$16.50.  
Buy the best pickles and catsup at Coppins'.  
Buy your California can fruits at Coppins'.  
Good lard and pure lard in bulk. S. L. Ogle.  
Iron and wooden wagons, at Harry Meyers'.  
Cloaks and wraps—beauties—at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
Cheapest and best goods in town, at T. E. Powell's. Try him.  
Best maple syrup you ever saw, at Lea's.  
12 yds good 12 1/2c. Canton Flannel for \$1.00 at T. E. Powell's. It can't be beat.  
Enterprise meat cutters at Harry Meyers'.  
10 yds all wool-filling Worsted for \$1.00. It is worth, at least, \$2.00. T. E. Powell.  
Finest and cheapest cabbage ever in this market, at Lea's.  
Christmas apples, cheaper than ever, at Lea's.  
Best line of pipes in the state, at Coppins'.  
Just received, a car load of flour and meal; also a car of bran. Ogle.  
Buy your animal crackers at Coppins'.  
See the nice display of Christmas candies, at S. L. Ogle's.  
Christmas goods of all kinds in the grocery line, at S. L. Ogle's.  
You will save money by buying your Christmas presents at Phillips'.  
When you want to shave and desire to ignore the barber, just call on Harry Meyer and see if he can't raise his.

We want to buy cotton seed. Bring them in. J. L. LEA & CO.  
Call and see how cheap Tom Powell sells.  
Trunks and Valises at Moon & Crowder's.  
Hides and furs of all kinds wanted. J. L. LEA & CO.  
Insure your houses with D. Richardson.  
Winter is here, insure your dwellings with D. Richardson.  
Fire insurance secured by D. Richardson.  
Bring in your pecans and shelled corn. J. L. LEA & CO.  
New goods, at greatly reduced prices, just received at Gould's furniture store. Call and see them.  
New line of worsted dress goods, all wool filling, at 10c. per yard at T. E. Powell's.  
Quilts at 75c. upwards, and good quality, to be found at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
Try the Colorado potatoes. They are not watery like the Mississippi Valley potatoes. S. L. Ogle.  
Overcoats for men and boys at greatly reduced prices.  
Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
Burial robes for ladies and men now kept on hand at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
Justin Cook says he has some "Coon Hollow," made in 1881, and fine French Cognac Brandy, and Holland Gin—all for medicinal purposes.  
Call and get a pair of fine shoes from T. E. Powell. He will sell you a \$5.00 pair of shoes for \$2.50, and all others in proportion.  
New Home sewing machines at J. L. Lea & Co's who have just bought 25 of them very cheap, and must sell cheap to get them off.  
A new line of furniture just received, consisting of beds, bureaus, safes, dressers, chairs, etc. Call and get prices.  
Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
I will be receiving some rare bargains every few days this winter from the Metropolis, and I will make it to your interest to call on me before buying your dry-goods and notions. J. S. Foy.  
Go to Schwartz and call for the Standard Shoe Co's shoes for ladies. They are not only the best but the cheapest. Warranted at \$2.00.  
Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
For your Holiday Goods, go to Phillips' where you will find everything usually kept in store. Come and see.

**PEACHING NEXT SUNDAY.**  
Rev. R. E. Dunn will preach at the Methodist Church, next Sunday, at 11 a.m. and at night. A cordial invitation is extended to all.  
**A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT.**  
It would be a horrible accident indeed should any one buy dry-goods in Baird cheaper than at POWELL'S.  
**SPECIAL NOTICE.**  
Major Richardson has a Holstein Bull, 3 yrs. old in Febr'y, next, that weighs over 2000 lbs. The mother of this animal has a record of 99 lbs. of milk in 24 hours. Our townsmen, having good Texas cows, should cross them with this fine Holstein.  
We will not be undersold by any firm in Baird. Come and see us. We will duplicate your bills from the cheapest houses in the West. We sell good goods at lowest prices.  
Moon & Crowder  
Just received at S. L. Ogle's, a fresh lot of cranberries, pig's feet, Mince Meat, Apple Butter, Peach Butter, And Jelly.  
In Bulk.  
Preserves, Jelly, Apple Butter, Peach Butter.  
If you need anything in the line of dry-goods, boots, shoes, &c., in fact, everything belonging to a first-class dry-goods house, go to Ph. Schwartz & Bro., where you will find it. Their prices, as is known, are lower than any one's, and they won't and can't be undersold by any one. Reason? No house-rent to pay, no clerk-hire to pay, and, therefore, the public gets this benefit.  
Ph. Schwartz & Bro.  
Call at the City Barber Shop for a good shave, hair cut, shampoo, or any thing in the tonsorial line. All employees treated with the greatest respect.  
Respectfully,  
T. J. DEAN.  
We are offering some rare bargains, in gingham, worsted goods, ladies' cloaks, jackets, shawls, and Mince-cloaks. Come and see these goods. All other goods will be sold as cheap as can be bought in Baird.  
Moon & Crowder.  
Harry Meyers now has silverware from Rogers' Factory. This ware is equal to that now used by Jay Gould and Rip Van Winkle.  
If your girl wants a present, get a glass set for her at Harry Meyers'. He has duplicate sets of the same glass as Queen Victoria now uses.  
If you are counting these things up, you will find that every thing usually kept in store, is at a low price. Come and see.



