

A MERRY CHRISTMAS, and a happy New Year to everybody.

...thing small about Callahan even her potatoes.

...nty owes less than scrip is worth one on the dollar.

...ers more inducements to getic, immigrant than any Western Texas.

...a good idea to organize ladder company.

...in ad-
...tion.

...fraternal greet-
...exchanges, and wishes
...all, MERRY CHRIST-
...MAS, and a prosperous New Year.

To the Immigrant: If you are seeking a new country where land is cheap, good, pure air, and a magnificent climate, come to Callahan county.

Dallas is going to have a road convention, January 5th. It is to be hoped that some satisfactory solution of the road problem will be reached.

A foreigner should be made to live in the United States as long as a native American before he is allowed to vote—twenty-one years.

Callahan County scrip is as good as gold. We are prepared to prove the assertion by saying that we will take the said county's scrip at its face value on subscription.

Our subscribers are coming up first-rate, this month. Many have paid up for last year and a year in advance. Thanks, gentlemen.

There is strong talk up north about disfranchising the negro. Never mind, gentlemen, the negro is all right. The south don't want him disfranchised.

All subscribers who will send THE STAR to friends outside of the county, in addition to their own copy, can have the two copies for \$2.25, if paid before March 1st.

Many failures are reported throughout Middle and East Texas, while the West is prosperous, and scarcely a failure is ever reported in this section. We certainly ought to be thankful.

The wide awake firm of J. L. Lea & Co. have bought, up to date, over seven hundred bales of cotton. "This neither birth, nor wealth, nor state, but the git-up-and-git that makes business men great."

Many of our exchanges will not issue papers, this week. THE STAR, however, comes out as usual. We do not claim to be more energetic or industrious than our neighbors, but we simply have not got time to stop, that is all.

Uncle Sam has sent two of his warships to interview the rebels over in Hayti. The vessels would have sailed sooner, but when everything was made ready to start, it was found that both the Gelana and Yantic were stuck fast in the mud in New York Harbor.

Men with capital to invest need not be afraid of high taxes, if they will come to this county. We have good public buildings, but we did not have to saddle a huge debt for our great-grand children to pay in order to build them, as some counties have done.

The editor of the Rockwall Success will not issue a paper, this week. He says that he will devote this week to eating turkey. Guess some delinquent subscriber has paid his subscription with some old tough turkey gobbler that he could not sell to any one else, and hence, the editor has to miss an issue of his paper to do full justice to the ancient bird. Success to you.

Capt. W. J. Malby, of this county, raised any number of sweet potatoes, this year, that weighed from 15 to 22 pounds, and actually gathered fifteen hundred bushels of potatoes on one measured acre of land. This is a fact, and it can be substantiated by some of the most reliable men in the county.

You fellows who have been blowing about 10 and 15 pound potatoes and a yield of 500 and 600 bushels per acre will please make a note of this, will you. Callahan county is the chief.

For full measure and running over a fine example may be found in Demorest's Monthly Magazine for January, which has just arrived. The water-color "The Birth of the New Year," is beautifully executed, and forms a valuable addition to the series which is promised to run during the year. The second of the superbly illustrated New York City articles is even more attractive than the first, and one of the great advantages of these articles is that each is complete in itself. If you want to know all about the great metropolis, you should buy "Demorest's" and visit the city through its pages. You will find it a rich treat. We wish every girl could read the articles on "Reading for Girls," that are now appearing, and the mothers, too, could profit by them. In fact, every member of the family, from baby up to the "lord and master," is provided for, making it, in the fullest sense, a "Family Magazine." Published by W. Jennings Demorest, 15 East 42nd Street, N. Y.

...his late course.

...some do too late to be probably, and she sighed deeply, while her worried expression spread itself over her face.

"Well," said Harold, in a doubtful voice, "I will do it to you."

"Certainly," said Ida, laughing, "and if you find the treasure we will go home. Stop, I will do it to you."

Just as this process was finished and Harold was setting up his pocketbook, in which he had the fair copy he had executed on a half sheet of note paper, the old squire came into the room again. Looking at his face, his color saw that his interview with "George" had evidently been anything but satisfactory, for he bore an expression of exceedingly low spirits.

"Well, father, what is the matter?" asked his daughter.

"Oh, nothing, my dear, nothing," he answered, in melancholy tones. "George has been here, that is all."

"Yes, and I wish he would keep away," she said, with a little stamp of her foot. "for he has always some bad news or other."

"It is the times, my dear, it is the times," he said. "I really don't know what has come to the country."

"What is it?" said Ida, with a deepening expression of anxiety. "Something wrong about the West farm?"

"Yes, Jester has thrown it up, after all, and I am sure I don't know where I am to find another tenant."

"You see what the pleasures of landed property are, Col. Quarritch," said Ida, turning toward him with a smile which did not seem to convey a great sense of cheerfulness.

"Yes," he said, "I know. Thank goodness I have only the ten acres that my dear old aunt left me. And now," he added, "I think that I must be saying good night. It is 10:30, and I expect that old Mrs. Johnson is sitting up for me."

Ida looked up in remembrance, and opened her lips to speak, and then from some reason that did not appear changed her mind and held out her hand. "Good night, Col. Quarritch," she said. "I am so pleased that we are going to have you as a neighbor. By the way, I have a few people coming to play lawn tennis here to-morrow afternoon. Will you come too?"

"What?" broke in the squire, in a voice of irritation. "more lawn tennis parties, Ma? I think that you might have spared me for once—with all this business on my hands, too."

"Nonsense, father," said his daughter, with some urgency. "How can a few people playing lawn tennis hurt you? It is quite useless to shut one's self up and be miserable over things that one can't help."

The old gentleman collapsed with an air of pious resignation, and merely asked who was coming.

"Oh, nobody in particular. Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey—Mr. Jeffrey is our clergyman, you know, Col. Quarritch—and Dr. Boss and the two Miss Smiths, one of whom he is supposed to be in love with, and Mr. and Mrs. Quest, and Mr. Edward Cossey, and a few more."

"Mr. Edward Cossey?" said the squire, jumping off his chair. "Really, Ida, you know that I detest that young man, that I consider him an abominable young man, and I think that you might have shown more consideration to me than to have asked him here."

"I could not help it, father," she answered, coolly. "He was with Mrs. Quest when I asked her, so I had to ask him, too. Besides, I rather like Mr. Cossey, he is always so polite, and I don't see why you should take such a violent prejudice against him. Anyhow, he is coming, and there is an end of it."

"Cossey, Cossey," said Harold, throwing himself into the breach. "I used to know that name." It seemed to Ida that he winced a little as he said it. "Is he one of the great banking family?"

"Yes," said Ida, "he is one of the ones. They say he will have half a million of money, or more, when his father, who is very infirm, dies. He is looking after the business of his house in this part of the world, at least, nominally. Really, I fancy that Mr. Quest manages them, certainly he manages the Birmingham branch."

"Well, well," said the squire, "if they are coming, I suppose they are coming. At any rate, I can go out waiting. If you are going home, Quarritch, I will walk with you. I want a drink."

"Col. Quarritch, you have not said if you will come to my party to-morrow yet," said Ida, as he stretched out his hand to say good night.

"Oh, thank you, Miss De la Melle, yes, I think I can come, though I play tennis atrociously."

"Oh, we all do that. Well, good night. I am so very pleased that you have come to live at Moss Hill; it will be so nice for my father to have a companion," she added as an afterthought.

"Yes," said the colonel, grimly, "we are almost of an age; good night."

Ida watched the door close, and then



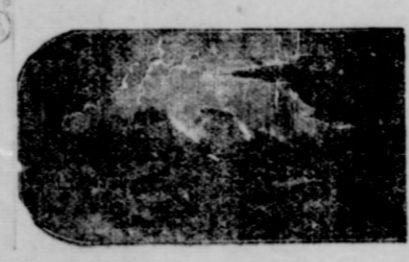
...she watched the door close.

...her arm on the mantelpiece, and re-
...that she liked Col. Quarritch very
...much, so much that even his not very beauti-
...physiognomy did not repel her, indeed,
...rather attracted her than otherwise. "Do
...you know," she said to herself, "I think that
...that is the sort of man that I should like to
...marry. Nonsense," she added, with an im-
...patient shrug, "nonsense, you are nearly six-
...and twenty; also, they too old for that sort
...of thing. And now there is this new trouble
...about the West farm. My poor old dad.
...Well, it is a hard world, and I think that
...sleep is about the best thing in it." And,
...with a sigh, she lighted her candle to go to
...bed, then changed her mind, and sat down to
...write her father's return.

[Continued next week]

The levels of the northern foun-
...years with compassion for the poor
...colored man, when he is down south,
...but when he goes north and stands

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS AT R. Phillips, Druggist, Baird.



Xmas Goods in endless variety. Call early and get first choice.

Callahan County beats Adam's Record.

A Jones county farmer claims to have raised 950 bushels of sweet potatoes on one acre of land this year. Nothing small about West Texas.—*Three-Wheelers Times.*

Callahan county can discount this story. Captain W. J. Malby, living in this county, twelve miles south of Baird, raised fifteen hundred bushels of potatoes on one acre of land. Capt. Malby says that he has discounted any crop of potatoes since Adam left the Garden of Eden.

CORRECT. GO UP HEAD.

Whenever you hear a man say anything against his local paper or his editor, you can put it down that he has never paid anything to help him along.—*Haskell Free Press.*

Chicago is having trouble with the Anarchists again. As long as the United States is made the dumping ground for the offscouring of the world, and every loud-mouthed blatherer from the Old World is welcomed to our shores, this will be the case. Congress should pass stringent immigration laws, without delay, and it should be made a capital offense for anyone to teach anarchy or exhibit a red flag in public processions.

The people in the North, in their blind fanaticism in trying to force negro equality upon the whites in the South, are now reaping a harvest of their sowing in Ohio. That state recently passed a law allowing negro children to attend white schools, and consequently, there is no end of trouble. The strangest part of it is that the republicans are making more racket about the law than any one else. We are glad of it, and hope that they will learn what it is to associate with a negro at short range.

"Some men are born great; some achieve greatness; others have greatness thrust upon them."

Joseph M. Smith, Sheriff of Birmingham, Alabama, belongs to the latter class. Ten days ago, he was not known outside of his own county. To-day, he is the talk of the world. However, he purchased his notoriety at a fearful price. He defended an accused murderer against an overwhelming mob, and fifteen or twenty men were killed, Right or wrong, Sheriff Smith stood for law and order against mob violence which, if unchecked, will lead to anarchy and ruin.

The Reporter informs its readers that the business men of Abilene have quit advertising in THE STAR. There has never been a copy of THE STAR issued without an ad or locals from some of the business men of Abilene. The Reporter must be near sighted. The truth is, THE STAR is the only paper that has any circulation worth mentioning in the west part of the county, and Abilene merchants are aware of the fact, as well as the Reporter man.

Tom Powell will sell you goods cheaper than any house in Baird.

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 of M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, Rec'd 150, in the U. S. Court DEFEATS J. H. Zella, Prop'r of A. Q. Simmons' Liver Regulator, Rec'd by Zella 186.

M. A. S. L. M. has for 47 years cured INDISTESTION, BILIOUSNESS, DYSPEPSIA, NICH HEADACHE, LOSS OF APPETITE, SORE STOMACH, ETC.

Rev. J. H. Reams, Pastor of St. B. 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 'Zella's stuff' for your Medicine, but it don't answer the purpose."

Dr. J. R. Graves, Editor THE GAZETTE, 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 Zella's medicine."

GEO. B. ELEY, CLYDE, TEXAS.

GUNSMITH, AND Clock Repairer.

All work left with HARRY MEYERS, at Baird, will receive prompt attention. 2-5-00.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Strayed before A. F. Young, J. P. Callahan Co., Texas, Dec. 7th, 1898, by Jim McCoy, One sorrel mare, branded J J on right shoulder and I enclosed in diamond on left thigh, 8 or 9 years old, 15 hands high.

One yearling colt, branded I enclosed in diamond.

One sorrel mare, Mare faced, 11 years old, 11 hands high, branded J J P connected on right shoulder; one colt not branded.

One dark brood pony horse, branded A on left shoulder and F under M on left thigh, and Spanish brand, 11 hands high, 9 years old, All appraised at \$100.

I. N. JACKSON, Co. Clk.

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.

A. Freytag, Flatonia, Baling press. H. Gentzel, Fort Ringgold, Tent. L. Johnston, Teer, Grocer's bin. W. O. Rutledge, G. Weston, Car uncoupling device.

A NASA INJECTOR free with each bottle of Shiloh's catarrh remedy, Price 50 cents. Sold by R. Phillips.

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.



I keep everything usually kept in a first class Hardware store, and prices guaranteed as low as any house in West-Texas. Come to BAIRD when you want

HARDWARE, WAGONS, C. Harry Meyers,

Big Stone Grocery Store.

J. L. LEA & CO.

KEEP ON HAND A

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

CASH PAID
FOR
**-Cotton-
WOOL,
PECANS
&C.**

**PL O W S ,
W A G O N S ,
D R I L L S**
AND ALL FARM IMPLEMENTS, CHEAPER THAN EVER FOR CASH OR ON REASONABLE TIME.
J. L. LEA & CO.

We will Buy or Help You to Sell Your
COUNTRY PRODUCE FOR CASH.
J. L. LEA & CO.

D. M. OSBORNE'S
HARVESTING
MACHINERY
Cheap and on Liberal Terms.
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.

J. L. LEA & CO.

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.

LOCALETES.

A car of salt just received. Ogle. Little Katie Estes has been quite sick but is reported better.

There will be an eclipse of the sun, January 1st. Visible all over the United States.

Fire-crackers, roman candles, and Christmas whiskey, made the town lively, Saturday night.

There is a new barber in town, at "Pud" Low's. He will not work in the shop for a few years.

The College students from Belle Plaine were out in full force at the exercises at the school house, Friday night.

The Baird Public School closed, last Friday, for the holidays. The closing exercises were well attended. The school will open again, next Monday.

It was reported in town, this morning, that John Hill was seriously cut about the neck and face in a difficulty which occurred, last night, at a dance at Mr. Brown's, on Deep Creek.

I have just received a nice line of shoes just from the Factory. They are "hubs." Call and see them. They are cheaper than you can steal them. T. E. POWELL.

T. E. Powell sold over \$400 worth of goods, last Friday, and, last Monday, his sales ran up to a few cents over \$650, thus surpassing any of his previous sales, by several hundred dollars, for three years. Yet some people say it does not pay to advertise.

There will be an oyster supper and social entertainment, no dancing, at the Pacific House at Putnam, to-night. Admission, one dollar. The editor acknowledges the receipt of a complimentary ticket from Mr. and Mrs. Lovelady but regrets that he is unable to attend. We hope our Putnam friends will have a nice time.

The small boys, and many of the large ones, were in the height of their glory, Monday night, and Market Street was in a blaze of light with sky rockets, roman candles, and fire-crackers. Many a man was heard to remark that he would not give six-bits for any frame building in town. However, no damage was done, except one or two burned faces among the boys.

J. W. Jones and wife returned from Tecumseh, yesterday. They report having had a grand time out there. There was a Christmas tree at the school-house, Monday night, and, Tuesday, a Christmas dinner and a reunion at Dr. Windham's. Doe is an old man, and none know better than he to make a person

feel welcome. May he live to see many returns of such reunions.

Go to the Mite Meeting at S. L. Ogle's residence, next Monday night, and watch the Old Year die.

There was a Christmas Tree at the Episcopal Church, last night. Everything passed off pleasantly and satisfactorily to all present.

CHRISTMAS GREETING.

We wish to extend to our friends and customers generally a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thanking you for past favors received at your hands, and hoping to merit the same in the future, it shall always be our aim to treat you well and give you goods at the lowest figures. Respectfully,
PH. SCHWARTZ & BRO.

The exercises at Belle Plaine college, last Thursday night, were highly entertaining. Many from Baird went up to the College, and all speak in the highest terms of praise of the exercises. Miss O'Hara was especially complimented for singing; in fact, one of our bachelor friends says it was simply divine. Unfortunately, THE STAR had no representative there, owing to an unavoidable circumstance.

Not Lost but Gone Before.

J. M. Jackson, son of Mr. C. C. Jackson, died at his father's home, last Tuesday night. He had been afflicted for years with epilepsy, and lately he had been gradually sinking, but it was not generally known that he was dangerously ill until news came that he had passed away. Poor boy, he suffered a great deal, but his sufferings are over, and he has gone to meet his God in the beautiful beyond where the tired body will find rest and his soul will be at peace forever more. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved parents in their hour of deep sorrow.

Promptness.

First a cold, then a cough, then consumption, then death. "I took Dr. Acker's English Remedy for Consumption the moment I began to cough, and I believe it saved my life."—WALKER N. WALLACE, Washington. Baird Drug Co.

A CHALLENGE TO MORTAL COMBAT.

At the Christmas tree, Monday night, Judge Webb made some very sarcastic remarks about the poor married men who had no children of their own. Early Tuesday morning, the Judge was forcibly reminded of his remarks made the previous night by receiving a challenge to mortal combat signed by G. E. Nelson, Harry Meyer, and J. N. Rushing, the fight to take place at Niagara Falls, Wednesday morning. John Laird and J. W. Jones will, in all probability, challenge the Judge also. Stick 'em! Judge, Stick 'em!

PERSONAL MENTION.

Jim Seay is in town, to-day.

Ben Williams of Putnam, was in town, Friday.

Prof. Barnes, of Tecumseh, was in town, Saturday.

J. M. Baker, of Cottonwood, is in town, to-day.

C. O. Morris was in town, Monday, and made us a pleasant call.

Prof. Haynes is spending the Holidays in Abilene and Buffalo Gap.

Misses Mamie and Margie Parvin are spending the Holidays with their parents.

Prof. Raley, of Belle Plaine, was in town, Monday, buying Christmas presents.

D. Richardson will visit his children, Miss Bettie and Ellis, at Waco, this week.

Misses Willie and Zillah Gillespie returned, to-day, from their visit to Buffalo Gap.

Miss Dora Phillips, of Eastland county, is visiting her cousin, Mr. R. Phillips, and his family.

Fred McMurray and Harry Cook have come home from Belle Plaine College to spend the Holidays.

Judge McIlhenny returned, Monday, from a prospecting tour in eastern Texas. He will probably locate in Tyler.

Miss Josie Spruill, of Granbury, and Misses Belle Archer and Minnie Kershaw are spending the Holidays in Abilene.

W. Q. Cross, wife, and children, were in town, Friday, trading. THE STAR acknowledges a brief call by them. Come again.

Dr. H. Lindley and Johnnie Blake, of Tecumseh, were in town, Friday. Dr. Lindley reports some sickness in the west part of the county.

Misses Willie and Zillah Gillespie left, Saturday, for Buffalo Gap where they will spend a portion of the Holidays. They will stay a few days in Abilene before their return.

Mr. J. C. Heyser, of Putnam, paid us a pleasant visit, last Saturday. Mr. Heyser spoke in favorable terms of THE STAR, and showed his appreciation in a substantial manner.

HACKAMATAK, a lasting and fragrant perfume, at R. Phillips'.

Four more days and Leap Year will have been gone, and the land is still full of old bachelors. Sad, sad, sad!

E. L. Huffman is in town, to-day, looking as spry as a sixteen year old boy. Some men never grow old and "Uncle" Lyter is one of them.

Fred McMurray goes up to Abilene, to-day, for a few days' visit. Wonder what is the attraction?

UNION CHRISTMAS TREE.

The Union Christmas Tree at the court house, Monday night, was well attended; in fact, the court house was crowded, many being unable to obtain seats. The exercises opened with prayer by Judge McIlhenny, then there was singing by the different church choirs. Judge B. R. Webb was then introduced and made a short talk. He succeeded in putting everyone present in a good humor. The distribution of the presents then began. There was a great deal of confusion, at this stage of the proceedings, but it could hardly be expected that perfect order could be maintained with so many little children, and all of them expecting something nice in the way of presents. Some of the presents were more unique than valuable, and some of them created considerable merriment when the recipients displayed their presents. Some one received a live rooster which Capt. Lee exhibited to the intense merriment of the audience. Our popular Justice of the Peace, Dan Click, received a one-eyed spectacle, which was probably intended as a hint to the squire to look only to the law in trying a case. Some of our young men received dolls as presents, some of them were colored, which were intended only as a joke, of course, but this is carrying the joke a little too far. It was fun for the audience but a little tough on the recipients. The crowd dispersed after being notified to wait outside for the fire-works. When the audience had collected in front of the court house, all the boys in town, headed by Capt. Lea, gave a splendid display of fire-works, after which the crowd dispersed, and all seemed well pleased with the entertainment.

The dry, cold weather of the early months is productive of a great deal of croup among children. Mothers should be on the lookout for it, and be prepared to arrest it as soon as the first symptoms appear. True croup never comes without a warning; a day or two before the attack the child will become hoarse, and that symptom is soon followed by a peculiar, rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as this hoarseness or cough appears, all danger and anxiety may be avoided; it has never failed, even in the most severe cases. There is no danger in giving the Remedy. Sold by Baird Drug Co.

Quite a rain, Tuesday.

How many boys got "left" this Christmas, just because they did not give their fair Dulcianas presents?

A certain young man looks "blue." Wonder if he got "left" at the Leap Year party!

A marriage near town, to-night. Watch out! It may be contagious.

J. B. Norton, and Prof. Randall, of Cottonwood, were in town, last week.

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 syrup. Sample it. S. L. Ogle.

Tables and bureaus in endless variety, at Gould's Furniture Store.

Don't forget the fine assortment of Christmas candies 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.

A better variety and cheaper oil than any house in town. S. L. Ogle.

The longest moustache will remain dry after taking tea from Harry Meyers' cups.

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.

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.

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 come forward and accommodate me in return. The prosperity of the country now will admit of prompt payments, and you must not expect me to indulge you as I have formerly done. In future, I expect to adopt the cash system. S. L. OGLE.

Mince-Meat, Cranberries, Jellies, Jams, Preserves, Sauces, Pickles, Spices, Gelatine, Extracts, Condiments, Syrups, Buckwheat, Yeast Cakes, Baking Powders, Crackers, Oranges, Apples, Nuts, Candles, Raisins, Currants, Prunes, Chocolate, Cocoa, Macaroni, Vermicelli, Cheese, Butter, Eggs, Sugars, Coffee, Teas, Mackerel, Herring, Cod Fish, Lobster, Salmon, Oysters, Dried & Evaporated Fruits, California Canned Goods, Beans, Peas, Potatoes, Onions, Cabbage, Kraut, and other reasonable goods, with honest weights and fair prices, at Kane's.

SPECIAL MENTION.

"A 1" Brand of Flour, at Kane's.

Buy your cranberries at Coppins'.

Coppins' is headquarters for coal oil 16 yds. 10c. Domestic, \$1.00, at Powell's.

Six-ounce nickel railroad snuff. Ogle 25 yds. Better Calico, \$1.00, T. E. Powell's.

30 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-barnes, \$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.

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10 yds all wool-filling Worsted for \$1.00. It is worth, at least, \$2.00. T. E. Powell.

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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.

When you want to shave and desire to ignore the barber, just call on Harry Meyer and see if he can't raise her.

The best grade of New Orleans molasses, only 80c, and from that down to your own price. S. L. Ogle.

The finest flower vases in North America are right here in Baird. Call on Harry Meyer, and he will prove the assertion.

Pay your subscription.

We want to buy cotton seed. Bring them in. J. L. LEA & CO.

Call and see how cheap Tom Powell sells.

Bring in your wheat and oats. J. L. LEA & CO.

Trunks and Valises at Moon & Crowder's.

Hides and furs of all kinds wanted. J. L. LEA & CO.

All kinds of Christmas candies and nuts, cheap, at Lea's.

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.

Quilts at 75c, upwards, and good quality, to be found at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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Try the Colorado potatoes. They are not watery like the Mississippi Valley potatoes. S. L. Ogle.

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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 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.

If you want to make your wife a nice Christmas present, get her a Superior cooking stove or a hanging lamp, at Harry Meyers'.

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.

Lots of new Furniture just received at Gould's Furniture Store, consisting of tables, chairs, sofas, bureaus, bedsteads, etc., etc.—all of which will be sold cheaper than the cheapest.

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Old papers for sale at this office, at 40cts. per hundred.

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Rev. R. P. Dunn will preach at Cedar Grove next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Baird at night at 7:15.

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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 buckets & cans. 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-ent to pay, no clerk-hire to pay, and, therefore, the public gets this benefit.

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Call at the City Barber Shop for a good shave, hair cut, shampoo, or any thing in the tonsorial line. All customers treated with the greatest respect. Respectfully,
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We are offering some rare bargain. In gingham, worsted goods, ladies' cloaks, jackets, shawls, and Misses' 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 courting these winter nights and need a dim light, do not buy Harry Meyers' lamps, for they give too much light for such occasions.

Bologna sausage, at S. L. Ogle's.

Buy your FURNITURE at Gould's FURNITURE STORE. He always keeps the best goods, and at prices that cannot be met.

All accounts made with us are paid due, and we need money. Come forward and settle, at once, and let us square our books during the holidays. Very Respectfully,
Moon & Crowder.

"Fretful is dead, and the... in the matter, so would... the scandal of publicity..."

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"It was intoxicated, I saw him go... out along to the Scotch church, near the... Burke and Willis monument, and cling...

"I cannot tell you, replied... "But no doubt the confession will explain all... "Then for heaven's sake read it," broke in...

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