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PALESTINE, TEXAS, JANUARY 21, 1904.

ABOUT ALFALFA.

R. E. Smith of Sherman, the "alfalfa king of Texas," and who is recognized authority on the growing, harvesting and marketing of this greatest of forage plants, on a recent occasion said: "Alfalfa is a democratic plant which seems specially adapted to our republican form of government, smiling alike on the rich and the poor. It never dies from old age and never falls from grace. Ten years ago I sowed my first small patch and each recurring spring has found me enlarging and expanding until it has reached its present huge size, and I have no thought of stopping yet. A legume and perennial in one, the value of alfalfa as a forage plant cannot be over estimated. This wonderful plant not only draws largely upon the nitrogen in the air for its supply of food for its own growth, but stores vast quantities of this expensive fertilizer in the soil, enriching and renovating it instead of exhausting and impoverishing it as many other crops do. Its long tap roots, reaching down at times 120 feet into the bowels of the earth, gather the richest mineral elements all along the line of growth and deposit them upon the sur-

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Won't somebody please open the city campaign.

CANDIDATES for office will waste no time on men who have not paid their poll tax.

THERE are going to be good crops grown in Anderson county this year, if hard work counts for anything. The farmers as a rule are well up with their work, and they were never in better condi-

tion financially, despite the short cotton crop of the past year. Heroic efforts are being made to get seed into the ground early and to rush a cotton crop through before the boll weevil gets it.

JUDGE W. C. Weir of Hillsboro wants to be attorney general of the State. There are several other gentlemen who want the same office.

A DETROIT boarder held up his landlady, at the point of a pistol, and demanded hot water. Evidently he is not a disciple of that anti-bathing Chicago professor.

WHEN the Russian-Japanese war breaks out American readers will be bombarded with a string of alphabetically atrocious names that will put them to guessing.

THE Dallas papers are trying to revive the State fair again. If they can improve over the last few years' efforts, well and good; if not, then for goodness sake let it stay dead.

THE secretary of commerce and labor, that new governmental bureau, is up against it. Havemeyer of the American Sugar Refining company, has refused to give the secretary information asked for concerning that company. Rockefeller has also ignored the secretary's request for information regarding the Standard Oil company. The question now is, what is Teddy going to do about it?

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CAYUGA.

Special Correspondence.

CAYUGA, TEX., Jan. 18, '04. Anderson County Herald:

We hear nothing from this end of the world from our regular correspondent. News is a scarce article just at this time. Health is reasonably good, and people as a rule are at work. We have done but little plowing up to this writing. The community has corn sufficient for use, but very few who will not have meats plenty. As for money, it is conspicuously absent. So it will be corn bread and bacon three times a day up here. No picnics, no barbecues, no nothing of the kind, unless the candidates furnish it.

Miss Lillian Robertson was caught in a matrimonial trap on the 10th inst.—Miles Sutton getting the bird.

Every one knows that the Baptists and Methodists have monthly services up here.

Miss Margaret Johnson is back at Hubbard City at school. Jodie Johnson at Denton Normal. Both spent the holidays with home folks.

Commissioner Johnson will commence his tour over the public roads of his district at once, so look out overseers.

Mr. Editor, if this finds its way into the Herald, I will endeavor to do better next time.

HAWK EYE.

P. S.—Uncle Ned would write but the Boll Weevils got his stationery.

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