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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Items of Interest Gathered Around Las Vegas and Vicinity.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY PERSONAL.

E. J. Love, of the planing mill firm of Crossdale & Love, Raton, is in the city on court duty.

Candido Luna and Wm. Williams are in town from Springer to take in the horse races tomorrow afternoon.

E. L. Branch, decorative painter and paper hanger, is here from Santa Fe, looking over Las Vegas building enterprises.

Sheriff Marion Littrel, of Colfax county, left for home this morning and will return Monday, to testify in the Collings case.

Chas. B. Kehrman, the jovial southwestern representative of the Gaus-Shelton hat company, St. Louis, is at the Plaza hotel.

Capt. V. B. Brunton, of Shoemaker, and E. B. Wheeler, of Fort Union, are in the city on business with Superintendent J. E. Hurley.

S. L. Deitch, of New York, a friend of Hugo Scharwenka, the well known traveling man, is here for his health, and has rooms at Mrs. Heinmann's.

Justice John R. McFie, who is making an enviable record as presiding judge here in the absence of Chief Justice Mills, departed this afternoon for Santa Fe, where he will spend Sunday.

Rev. R. M. Craig, synodical missionary of the Presbyterian church, passed through last evening from Raton to Santa Fe. Rev. Norman Skinner and he exchanged greetings at the depot.

Joseph Spence, Wayne Van Schoeyck, White Oaks; A. C. Shields, Denver; W. B. Brunton, Shoemaker; Jos. G. Milne, Lucerne, Colo.; S. S. Hatfield, Colorado Springs; Luciano Maes, Wagon Mound, and Jeff Best, Prescott, Ariz., are registered at the New Optic.

LOCAL.

Prof. Sidner, on the west side, has resigned his position.

Dr. B. M. Williams is having laid a good walk in front of his Bridge street offices.

The raffle of the horse and cart, at the Opera bar, advertised for tonight, has been postponed till next Saturday evening.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church will give a Thanksgiving social at the residence of A. D. Higgins, November 24, 1898.

The funeral services of the late Miss Henriette Harris Machette will be held in the parlors of the Plaza hotel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Joe Waddingham and family have moved from the rooms above the People's store, into the Cavanaugh cottage, corner Eighth and National.

A number of local sportsmen have gone hunting today, and several others will go tomorrow.

Deputy U. S. Marshal A. M. Coddington got in last night from Mora county, bringing Luis Silva, charged with violation of the Edmunds act.

On the 25th instant Nicolas Madrid, of Puerto de Luna, will be married to Miss Gugarrito Sandoval, of Bade de Juan Pais, the marriage to take place at Anton Chico.

A. A. Jones yesterday purchased three pieces of city property, they being three residences on south Grand avenue and the Luck property on Douglas avenue. The latter is especially well located.

A. Mennot, representing the B. & M. company, today opened up his samples at the Plaza hotel sample rooms, for the first time in three years. The west side of Las Vegas is sure growing as a mercantile center.

The Elks are arranging for their annual memorial exercises, the first Sunday in December. The constitution of the order requires that on this day every lodge of Elks in the United States shall hold services in memory of the dead.

Live Stock Inspector Jeff Towner, a most competent man, by the way, states that the cattle quarantine was raised by Kansas and Colorado on the 15th inst. The sheep inspection law of the Centennial state is still in vogue, however.

In the latter part of last night or the early part of this morning, the light sleepers of both sides of the town were awakened by the fire alarms. It proved to be a small frame building in precinct No. 5, the extreme southern part of the west side.

Colorado horses handled here by M. E. Everett, of Lamar, will go against Cecilio Garcea's horses, at the fair grounds at 2 o'clock, tomorrow afternoon. There'll be a 400 yard dash for a purse of \$100 and a 600 yard dash for a purse of \$150.

Gross, Blackwell & Co. today loaded nine cars of sheep for Rocky Ford, Colo, and the Fiersheim Mercantile company will sheep ten cars to the same point tomorrow from Springer. A. P. Buck also loaded here today four cars for Lucerne, Colo.

THE OPTIC calls attention to the advertisement, on the third page in this issue, of the Bartlett Home Drink Cure. It is highly recommended by those who have tried it, to be superior to the Keely cure. Those interested will do well to consult the advertisement.

Louis Stearns, the young man from Michigan, who was confined in the pest house, suffering from an attack of smallpox, died there yesterday afternoon. This leaves but two cases in East Las Vegas, one of which is about well and the other is doing well.

Robt. L. M. Ross today sold out his insurance business to Smith, Koogler & Co. Mr. Ross, it is understood, will accompany Senator-Elect James S. Duncan to Santa Fe in February and will probably hold down a responsible job in the legislature for two months or more. The chief clerkship of the council pays \$6 per day and Mr. Ross, with his winning ways and splendid executive ability, would fit in there to a nicety.

Joseph Spence and Wayne Schoeyck, well known sheep rancheros whose flocks roam over a thousand hills, are in town from the White Oaks country. Their information is that surveyors under Assistant Engineer W. A. Allen, of the El Paso & Northeastern, are now as far as Three Rivers with the preliminary survey of the White Oaks extension and expect to reach Salado in about three weeks. Two or three preliminary lines will be run before the permanent line is selected.

The mountains are full of Las Vegas sportsmen out in search of Thanksgiving dinner game. Ira Hunsaker, Wm. Rodes and Joe Burks, accompanied by John Jackson, of Lamy, have gone on a ten days' hunt for bear and deer in the upper Pecos. Dick Hesser, C. S. Rogers and James Saxen have gone out after turkey, Dick claiming to have a flock corralled not far from town, and Frank Forsythe, Ralph Oldham and James Olcott have gone to the Los Alamos lakes for wild geese.

The rumor that there is a case of smallpox near the public school building, east side, is absolutely untrue. There are but two cases here. One is the little Phillips boy, the other is Mrs. Gallegos. The latter has about recovered and the former is doing well. Both have been thoroughly isolated, and there is absolutely no danger from either of these or from attending the public schools. This writer shows his knowledge by his works, because he has two children in the public schools, who would not be there were there any danger of their being infected with smallpox or any other disease.

STORE OF CURIOSITIES.

Julius Abramowsky has opened his store on Railroad avenue, with one of the largest and completest stocks of Mexican fabrics and curios to be found in this country anywhere. One may feast his eyes for hours on things rare and things beautiful, while many things are so exquisite in shape, design or coloring that the eye seeks them again and again, unwearied by gazing. In the list are placques, vases, figures, groups, feather work, carved leather work, carved canes, gold and silver filigree, opals, &c. &c., in endless variety and attraction. Then come Mexican antiquities, such as idols from the old temples, pictures from ancient churches, books of quaint design and queer printing, amulets, arms and the like; while in fabrics, drawn work, rugs, blankets, beadwork, and innumerable other things, complete the list. Anyone must see this store to fully appreciate it. THE OPTIC is glad that such a store has been established in our city, where the want of it has long been felt, especially by the visitors from the east who are so often here for longer or shorter visits.

The young ladies of the Normal have organized the Adelpia literary society and will meet every Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The young men's society is organized under the name of Olympian literary, and will meet every Friday evening at 7:30.

If counterfeiters turn out bad money it's because they are unable to make it good.

READS LIKE ROMANCE.

J. D. Chambers the Clayton Hold-up Gives Himself Clean Away While Asleep.

J. D. Chambers, whose criminal career was pretty thoroughly ventilated in these columns last evening, was found guilty of complicity in the Clayton hold-up in the U. S. Court this afternoon. The jury was out only about fifteen minutes. On September 6, 1895, Chambers and a companion entered the Denver & Gulf depot at Clayton, held up Agent J. L. Wright, forced him to carry the mail sacks out of town and got away with some \$800.

Four days later Chambers appeared at the home of Lee Woods, now of Pine Bluff, Ark., who resided on a farm in the suburbs of Trinidad. He rode a gray horse which he had stolen from the Willis ranch. As he approached the house the horse fell, injuring Chambers' leg. He appealed to the Woods family for help. They assisted him into the house and Mr. Woods bathed his leg and played the good Samaritan. After a little Chambers fell asleep. While Mrs. Woods was busying herself about the house she heard Chambers talking. He repeated again and again his words, which were to the effect that he had robbed the station agent at Clayton; had secured \$800 and shot Bob Mansker, one of the sheriff's posse that pursued him, in the heel, and was now safely out of it and could never be caught. When Mr. Wood came into the house his wife called attention to Chambers' queer behavior. Woods listened and on the witness stand yesterday afternoon he verified all that Mrs. Woods had heard Chambers say in his sleep. Later Woods notified the U. S. postal authorities and entered into an arrangement to have both himself and Chambers arrested on some fictitious charge. They went to jail together and there Chambers made a clean breast of it and divulged to Wood the whole story of the Clayton hold-up.

Chambers' sentence has not yet been announced by Justice McFie, but in view of his behavior in this case and his past record it will probably be "a plenty."

Lee Woods, of Pine Bluff, Ark.; C. E. Meredith, of Clayton; J. L. White, former station agent at Clayton, now of Chicago; J. W. Evans, ex-postmaster of Clayton; F. W. Drew, of Kenton, Oklahoma, and Sam Dorsey, of Cripple Creek, Colo., who have been here as witnesses in the case, leave for their respective homes tomorrow morning.

New York striking bill posters are paid \$1 a day by the unionists.

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shortens
the
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