

Local Mention

Personal and Otherwise

Mrs. C. H. Natwick is reported seriously ill.

Homer Fenn is gone to Lewiston on business.

Ed Hanson spent several days in Elk this week.

W. F. Johnson was in from the Hercules Thursday.

Mrs. Greer returned to Dixie on Wednesday's stage.

George Bentz is spending several days with his family at White Bird.

Wm. Finley of Finley's station came to town on business this week.

Tam Vincent, Lee Rice and J. P. Larson have gone to Orogrande to work.

Dan Cameron, one of Clearwater's business men, is an Elk visitor.

Jim McEachran of the Elk G. M. company was a business visitor this week.

Ezra Gaver of Red River was a business visitor to the metropolis Wednesday.

Jim Smith is able to be about again after a severe attack of rheumatism.

E. H. Farr, of the Tacoma placers, was an arrival in camp on Friday's stage.

Bud Hutchison of Orogrande left on Wednesday's stage bound for the Portland fair.

A. H. Newman of Clearwater brought in a load of vegetables for Elk City and Orogrande this week.

Dick Greckwell returned to camp this week from Spokane, where he has been on mining business.

J. F. Powers of Orogrande received the sad news of the death of his father at Chippewa Falls, Wis., this week.

T. J. Sugars, manager of the Vendetta & Orogrande, was a business visitor in town Wednesday and Thursday.

A fine line of cigars at the Elk Store. Try the Richard Mansfield or La Mia. They can't be beat.

Clark & Schofield's outfit came in this week loaded for Elk merchants and the C. R. M. & M. Co. at Orogrande.

The C. R. M. & M. Co. sent an order into Elk City Thursday to employ several men and send them out to Orogrande.

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A. C. Stewart of Freedom, Id., who has been prospecting in this district and Dixie, returned home this week for a short time. It is his intention to return here for the summer.

C. D. Patterson of Spokane, the millwright who will erect the Thunder Mountain company's mill, arrived on Wednesday's stage and proceeded to the mine the same day.

Henry Massam returned Wednesday from a trip to Spokane. He reports a lively interest in all quarters in matters pertaining to Elk City, and predicts a heavy influx of people to this camp this summer.

NOTICE.—There will be a meeting of the citizens of Elk City on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock p. m., at the Elk store, for the purpose of taking steps looking to the proper observance of the Glorious Fourth. By order of committee.

ODD OCCURENCES ABROAD.

One of the guests at a recent golden wedding at Danzig, Germany, was the bride's mother, aged 91.

Finding a long, rusty nail in his morning roll, a Viennese citizen charged his baker with endangering the public safety. The baker was fined four dollars.

A Birmingham tin worker attempted to commit suicide the other day by drinking hydrochloric acid. A policeman concocted an emetic by scraping some whitening from the ceiling and mixing it with water. It saved the man's life.

A disastrous fire occurred at the winery of Thomas Hardy & Sons, who owns the oldest vineyards in South Australia. The nearest water mains were half a mile away, so the firemen played jets of wine on the burning buildings for an hour and a half.

A recent number of the Cape Mercury contained this advertisement: "Wanted, for German West Africa, a man to look after one horse, two cows and three pigs. One who can impart the rudiments of French, singing and the piano to children preferred."

A blind man made a curious defense at Birmingham, England, to a charge of smashing a plate-glass window worth £15. He had been blind, he said, for seven years. On the night in question, he cried for assistance to cross the road, but no one came. Then he heard some one at a distance and struck at what used, when he could see, to be boards surrounding waste ground. He was astounded when he heard the sound of broken glass. The jury acquitted him and he was discharged.

An engineer named Knorr, a German who has become a naturalized Russian, built four of the great bridges on the Trans-Siberian railway, including the big Yenisei and Obi bridges, which cost, respectively, \$2,350,000 and \$2,000,000. They were great engineering feats, and brought him international fame in his profession. But he was pursued by a curious fatality. A writer in "T. A. T." says: He had five daughters, who were famous in Russia for their beauty, and whom he loved dearly. Just after his first bridge was completed one of them died; and as each of his three succeeding bridges was built, another died. He would not build a fifth bridge.

SCHOOL AND CHURCH NOTES.

The Reno University of Nevada has decreed that students who miss drills and do not pass in military tactics will not get their degrees.

The regents of California State university have decided to buy 200 acres of land to "round out" the present irregularly shaped tract on which the Lick observatory now stands.

Rev. Charles H. Stackpole, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, of Melrose, Mass., has suggested to his congregation the advisability of installing telephones in every pew in church so that those hard of hearing may be able to hear the sermon without trouble.

Mr. Francis Galton, F. R. S., has founded in London university a fellowship for the promotion of the study of "National Eugenics," the study of the agencies under social control that may improve or impair the racial qualities of future generations, either physically or mentally.

Very heartily welcomed, the Brothers of St. Gabriel's institute, famous for their success in the education of deaf and dumb boys, has settled at Beaconsfield House, near Plymouth, England, on their expulsion from France under the associations law. They are about to commence there the education of the deaf and dumb boys, irrespective of creed.

By special invitation John R. Mott goes to Oxford and Cambridge universities next February to hold conferences with the students on matters touching the personal Christian life. Mr. Mott's influence has been profoundly felt in American colleges, and it is not surprising that English universities should desire to feel the touch of his strong personality.

"My resignation has been mostly brought about by the gossip at afternoon teas," said Rev. H. de Trevelec, preaching at Holy Trinity, Claygate, England, from which living he has recently resigned. The text of his farewell sermon was this: "And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not."

Lord Erskine, when chief justice of England, presided once at the Chelmsford assizes, when a case of breach of promise of marriage was tried before him in which a Miss Tickell was plaintiff. The counsel was a pompous young man named Stanton, who opened the case with solemn emphasis thus: "Tickell, the plaintiff, my lord." Erskine dryly interrupted him with: "Oh, tickle her yourself, Mr. Stanton. It would be unbecoming to my position."

SCIENTIFIC SPECIALS.

Aside from errors of refraction, W. H. Rivers finds the eyes of all races and classes of men to be practically the same. The apparent superior sight of savages is attributed entirely to practice and education, with familiarity with the surroundings.

The melting of glaciers in winter has called for explanation. Dr. R. von Lendenfeld of Prague believes that the earth's interior heat cannot account for more than three to six per cent. of the effect, but that the principal cause of the melting is the heat from the work of the ice in descending. The pressure of winter snows would probably somewhat increase the internal melting.

Whether matter undergoes any change of properties on being charged with electric current has been a subject of experiment. The results have been practically negative. Mr. Paul R. Heyl states that when carrying a heavy current the change in the tensile strength of iron cannot exceed half of one per cent., and the melting point of tin can hardly be changed two degrees.

Some new and simple radium experiments have been described by Prof. Orazio Rebuffat, an Italian physicist. On rubbing a glass tube with wool in a medium containing a radium salt, a luminous glow followed the wool, and a glow also appeared when the finger was brought near the excited glass. Using a vacuum tube brought into connection with a tube of radium salt, a brilliant glow appeared inside when the outside of the glass tube was rubbed with wool. This experiment, it is believed, makes it possible to demonstrate the production of emanations from radium mixtures of low grade or feeble activity.

The action of water as an anaesthetic is illustrated in some recent cases brought to notice by Joseph Clements. In one case five hemorrhoids were injected with distilled water when they were removed in 15 minutes without pain, and the patient at once returned home. In another case two fistules were opened and scraped, one after the injection of water, and the other without it. The last operation was exceedingly painful. The action of the water is declared to be the same as that of solutions of cocaine or other drug—a filling of the interspaces of the tissues, thus temporarily suspending intercellular respiration and paralyzing the local nerve centers.

RECENTLY RELATED.

They were on a golf course not far from Glasgow. "A splendid stroke! Caddie, did you follow that ball?" said the player who had just driven. "Naw, sir," replied the caddie, "but I think that gentleman w' the red coat can tell you where it struck. I see him feelin' his head."

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