

**IRRIGATION POINTERS.****H. J. Whitley, Abroad With Wife, on Way to Valley of the Nile to Study Methods There.**

H J Whitley, who went abroad several weeks ago to join Mrs. Whitley, who was ill in the south of France, has just been heard from at Nice, whence he expected to depart on the first inst., for a leisurely tour through Italy, visiting Milan, Venice, Florence, Rome and Naples. Later they will go to Alexandria and Cairo and will spend considerable time along the Nile, possibly visiting the Holy Land.

Already an expert in matters pertaining to irrigation, Mr. Whitley looks forward to a season of profitable study into the methods prevailing in the fertile valley of the Nile, where conditions are the best in the world. From his observations, it is likely that local irrigators will profit greatly on his return.

Mr. Whitley reports that the health of his wife is much improved. Still further improvement is looked for as a result of travel in the mild climate.

**KILLED FOR FEW CENTS.****Later Details of Murder in Mexico of Young German Who Was Known in Los Angeles.**

Further details have just been received from Chihuahua, Mex., regarding the killing of Otto Andre Rader, a young German, who was well known in Los Angeles. The scene of the murder was at Rader's cabin, a few miles from Urique, and was the result of a dispute over a few cents in wages between Rader and a peon named Feliciano Perez. The peon is said to have crept up to the cabin at night, while Rader slept, and to have slain his former employer in cold blood. The assassin also killed a fourteen-year-old Mexican boy who was asleep in the cabin with Rader. The murderer fled to the mountains, pursuit being taken up next morning by a posse. The chase was without avail so far as reported.

This is the second killing that has taken place at Urique as the result of fights over wages, the first occurring about three years ago, when L. N. Rahn, who was managing Thomas W. Lawson's properties there, was clubbed to death by a Mexican laborer. This murderer escaped with a prison sentence of eight years.

**STUDYING PLANTS.****Japanese Nurseryman Here After Growths That May Thrive in His Country.**

H. Suzuki, a director in the Imperial Yokohama Nursery Company of Japan, arrived here yesterday for the purpose of studying the trees and plants of Southern California. When he registered at the Hollenbeck, he gave a letter of introduction to Manager Mitchell from George Christian Roeding of Fresno, who is especially interested in the propagation of figs. Roeding stated that the Japanese was an authority on fruits and plants and was eager to obtain information regarding fruits that have done especially well in this section.

Suzuki will obtain cuttings and slips from fruit trees and plants that he thinks will propagate in Japan, where the winters are severe compared with this portion of California. When a newspaper man sent up his card to Suzuki last evening, about 9 o'clock, the courteous Japanese charged the bell boy with this reply: "Tell the honorable journalist that his servant is very fatigued and is now retired. Please me by calling tomorrow morning."

**DAVID AND JONATHAN.**

Newton Beers of Boston will appear tonight at No. 108 North Spring street, in his dramatic characterization of "David and Jonathan," under the auspices of American Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He impersonates the fourteen different characters with change of voice and manner that is declared to be most remarkable, and requiring an hour and a half of constant action.

Four British cruisers arrived at Lagos, Portugal, yesterday and anchored in the harbor.