

PERSONAL.

Corporal J. Kleshenko, who arrived in Grafton yesterday, spent 19 days in the trenches at Gallipoli. He received three bullet wounds in the leg and was bayoneted in the arm during the fighting at Gaba Tepe. The corporal is a native of Moscow, and had only been in Australia 14 months when the war broke out. He immediately enlisted, and sailed with the second Expeditionary Force under Colonel Cox. The corporal intends remaining here for a week, and hopes soon to be sent back to the firing line.

The death occurred at Cootamundra on Monday of Mrs. Hannah Freer, an old resident, aged 100 years and four months.

The Mayor (Ald. Johnson), is at present on a business visit to the Richmond and expects to return to Grafton on Tuesday.

Privates G. Brown, H. Dean, and W. and C. Bodycote, after spending final leave on the Lower River, return to camp on Tuesday next.

Rev. L. L. Bird, Methodist minister at Campbelltown, who has been interested in rifle shooting for many years, intends to join Mr. Carmichael's "Thousand."

His Lordship Dr. Cooper officiated in St. Peter's Cathedral on Sunday morning for the first time for many months. His Lordship has very nearly recovered from his serious illness.

The engagement is announced of Isabel Marion (Isa), eldest daughter of the late Rev. E. H. Webber and Mrs. Webber, Burwood, and formerly of the Clarence, to Arthur James Brewer, formerly of Devon, England, now of Sydney.

Messrs. Jerry and John Dougherty have volunteered for active service, and left during the week.

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Church for a month returned to Maitland during the week. The Rev. McClean, who arrived from Ulster, Ireland, on Thursday, takes up the duties for a similar term.

Rev. H. Ramsay, of Grafton, takes the Free Church services at Coraki and Ruthven to-morrow. Mr. McDonald, who has laboured in the district for the past year, is returning to the Homeland shortly, preaching at Grafton and Maclean before his departure.
