

around the table crept up, held them all off at the point of a revolver, cleared the table of a very large sum of money, backed out and got away. He was arrested but jumped his bonds. He was subsequently heard of at Grand River, Utah, whence officers were despatched in search of him. At length they came up with him in that vicinity, and a terrific struggle ensued. Will Goodsell, who was then a deputy marshal, and a man named Adam Paul, who was at that time engaged in detective work, were among those who engaged in the tussle with the desperado, but Foote managed to escape on that occasion. This occurred some time last winter, since which time the prisoner has managed to creep out of the reach of the law officers until a few days ago, when he was captured in the neighborhood of Grand River.

Occasionally this summer a very thin pair of mules, with drooping heads and careworn countenances, driven by a much thinner individual whose appearance suggested that the sunny side of life he had not always enjoyed, have appeared upon our streets from the direction of Daniel's canyon. The mules were so suggestive of better times and the man so peculiar that the outfit was sure to attract attention wherever seen. The man was known as Mr. Blacketer. According to report he became involved in debt to F. O. Buell to such an extent that he was obliged to mortgage his mules, harness and wagon as security. Last week Buell learned that Blacketer had left and went to the latter's rancho to investigate. The merchant was informed that the man had driven his wife out of the house and after loading the movable property of the family, including his wife's clothing into the wagon, hitched up the "cuddies" and struck for parts unknown. In the house was found a barrel of spoiled beef, and the merchant, thinking he could make out a criminal case against the man, invited Sheriff Fraughton to ride out with him to the deserted rancho. They went out Monday and discovered several beef hides and heads secreted about the place, which Mr. F. believes is positive proof that Mr. Blacketer has been killing cattle that did not belong to him.—*Wasatch Wave*.

CHURCH THEOLOGY CLASS.

Promptly at 12:15 p. m. yesterday (Sunday) the class was opened with prayer. The instructor, Elder James E. Talmage, at once proceeded with a catechization upon the subject considered at the previous session. Many members participated, comprehensive answers were received and many thoughtful questions carefully discussed.

The study of the third article of faith was then taken up—"We believe that through the atonement of Christ all mankind may be saved, by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the Gospel."

The lecturer considered—

First—The nature of the Atonement—showed that the Fall and the Atonement were closely related, the latter being a sequence of the former. Since death was the heritage of all men, in justice they are redeemed independently of their own deeds.

Second—The Atonement foreordained—In proof of this quotations were referred to as recorded of Moses, Job, David, Zachariah, Isaiah, Micah and John the Baptist and attested by Christ Himself and His Apostles; also by many Book of Mormon prophets.

Third—The vicarious effect of the atonement—Vicarious service was explained as acceptable to God, examples being (a) the scape-goat and altar victims of the Israelites; (b) the baptism for the dead as mentioned by Paul and (c) the modern temple service as practiced by the Latter-day Saints.

Fourth—The effects of the atonement—It was stated that through the atonement universal redemption from the effects of the fall, as well as forgiveness for personal sins might be obtained. Children and all who die without law are thus made partakers of salvation.

Fifth—Salvation and exaltation—According to revelations given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, three orders of glory with many degrees of proportionate merits are prepared for mankind, viz: The celestial, the terrestrial and the telestial. In closing the instructor briefly discussed each of these.

Before adjournment a vote was taken changing the hour of meeting to 12:30 p. m. The class was dismissed with prayer.

That the systematic study of the Gospel as here pursued under the auspices of the Church university is generally admired, is evident by the ever increasing numbers, nearly 800 students having been present at this the third session.

HE BECAME A LAWYER.

During this year of seeming idleness young Henry conceived the idea of becoming a lawyer. Digging in the soil would not yield him a livelihood; drawing molasses and measuring tape had produced the same barren result. But words never failed him. He could move or melt any audience before whom he might stand. Therefore he determined to earn his own living by his tongue.

The wonderful mental capacity of this broken-down farmer and merchant may be understood when we learn that after a very few weeks of reading and study, he presented himself at Williamsburg before the examiners, and was admitted to the bar! Not, however, without much urging and entreaty, for the examiners soon discovered the paucity of his knowledge of the statutes. In spite of his ignorance of the forms and technicalities, young Henry pleaded his own case so well that he received his license, not at all because of his legal proficiency, but solely because of his ingenuity and the promise he gave of future usefulness. One of the examiners, Mr. John Randolph, was so much shocked by the uncouth appearance of the man that he at first refused to examine him, but he shortly discovered that the candidate was a diamond in the rough, and after subjecting him to a most severe series of subtle and intricate queries, he was forced to remark: "Mr. Henry, if your industry be only half your genius, I

augur that you will do well and become an ornament and an honor to your profession." Prophetic word!—*Blue and Gray for November*.

A MOST BEAUTIFUL VOLUME.

The most beautiful volume among the 500,000 in the congressional library at Washington is a bible which was transcribed by a monk in the sixteenth century. It could not be matched today in the best printing office in the world. The parchment is in perfect preservation. Every one of its 1,000 pages is a study. The general lettering is in German text, each letter perfect in coal black ink, without a scratch or blot from lid to lid. At the beginning of each chapter the first letter is very large, usually two or three inches long, and is brightly illuminated in red and blue ink. Within each of these capitals is drawn the figure of some saint or some incident of which the chapter tells is illustrated. There are two columns on a page and nowhere is traceable the slightest irregularity of line space or formation of the letters. Even under a magnifying glass they seem flawless.

This precious volume is kept under a glass case, which is sometimes lifted to show that all the pages are as perfect as those which lie open. A legend relates that a young man who had sinned deeply became a monk and resolved to do penance for his misdeeds. He determined to copy the Bible, that he might learn every letter of the divine commands which he had violated. Each day for many years he patiently pursued his task. Each letter was wrought in reverence and love and the patient soul found its only companionship in the saintly faces which were portrayed on these pages.

When the last touch was given to the last letter the old man reverently kissed the page and folded the sheets together. The illustrated initials in perfection of form and brilliancy of color surpass anything produced in the present day. With all our boasted progress, nothing either in Europe or America equals it.—*The Shears*.

There is a company at work in Tulare county, California, looking for oil. A shaft has been put down forty feet.

Game of all kinds is said to be very abundant within five or six miles of Glenwood Springs, having been driven from the mountains by the snow.

There has been a veritable exodus of marketable live stock out of Montana this season. The owners of the herds have been short of cash as well as the stockmaster. The shipments will close in a few days.

Upon request of Mayor Huey of Red Mountain, Colo., the sheriff has arrested J. N. Casale, town treasurer, who was about to leave the country. Casale is charged with being \$800 short in his accounts.

Owing to the unfavorable weather which has prevailed in Montana for the past six weeks many of the farmers have not been able to thresh their grain. It is very rare that Montana farmers are thus delayed with their fall work.