

(John and Walter) of the murder of their mother, and the scene in that household may be partially imagined, but could not be adequately described. The Mexican, who was a kind hearted man, joined in the general grief. He had become greatly attached to the family, and held his head in special esteem.

Mr. Fife transacted the business which took him to Tombstone, and while there he felt great depression of spirit. He could not rid himself of the idea that something was wrong at home. Impelled by this sentiment he started on his return in the evening, traveled the whole of the night, and arrived at the ranch during the following day—Sept. 14th. When within a quarter of a mile from the house he was met by his hired man, who showed him the belt and pistol of the murderer. The Mexican told the tale of the tragedy between his sobs, while the tears streamed down his face.

Mr. Fife's breast was seized by a tumult of emotions which came near prostrating him. But his determination and native activity asserted their sway.

Within an incredibly brief time he notified the people in a radius of thirty miles of the scene of the murder of what had occurred. At once all that region was in a state of commotion and ranchers and miners, including all the officers and leading men of the county, were soon riding rapidly in the direction of the Fife homestead. A pursuing posse was organized, and the fugitive was captured at a point in the forest an ut nine miles from the scene of his crime. Had the pursuit been delayed but a short time longer the murderer would have escaped to the mountains and his arrest would have been difficult and doubtful.

He was taken to the place where he committed the deed. By this time nearly one hundred and fifty men had assembled. It was a large and determined body, resolved into a committee of the whole on the disposal of the murderer. The latter wiled and begged, but his entreaties met with no response. Mr. Fife, addressing him several times, said: "Why did you kill my wife?" but he made no reply. The committee held unanimously that the culprit should die, by hanging, and that his body should remain suspended between earth and sky for three days and three nights, as an object lesson and warning to all criminals of his class.

The fatal noose was adjusted around the doomed man's neck. He was placed upon a horse and led under a large white oak tree, over a limb of which the rope was thrown. At a given signal the cord was jerked with tremendous vigor and the murderer of Mrs. Fife died without a struggle. According to the decree of the committee the body hung in mid-air the specified time and at the end of the third day was buried not far from the spot where he committed the dastardly crime which forfeited his own life.

The funeral of Mrs. Fife was attended by the people of the surrounding country wherever the news of her sad fate had reached. All classes sought to express, in various ways, their sympathy for the family and respect for the memory of the good woman who

was assassinated in cold blood while her murderer was partaking of her hospitality, which was proverbial among all her friends and acquaintances.

JUAREZ STAKE OF ZION.

COLONIA JUAREZ, Mexico.

December 10, 1895.

The authorities at Casas Grandes, with praiseworthy promptness, have done all in their power to bring to justice the thieves and murderers of Brother C. B. Heaton, and if they are not duly punished it is not their fault. They made a rigid examination, got satisfactory evidence and sent them to Ciudad Juarez for trial.

We had an exceedingly pleasant visit of Elder F. M. Lyman, of the Apostles, and E. Stevenson, of the First Seven Presidents of Seventies, who arrived in our colonies on Tuesday, the 8th inst. They held meetings at Colonia Diaz and Colonia Dublin and introduced Elder Anthony W. Ivins, who has been appointed to the presidency of this Mexican mission.

On Saturday, the 7th, they arrived at Colonia Juarez and found us having a joyful time celebrating the natal day of President George Teasdale, who was born December 8, 1831, and who has reached his 64th birthday. Elder Teasdale had been prevented from meeting the visiting brethren through having very serious sickness in his family. The Apostles met in the Juarez school house where there was a gathering of some two hundred children of the Sunday schools and Primary associations, with some parents and friends who were enjoying themselves in the dance. They were delighted to have Elder F. M. Lyman with them to witness their afternoon's enjoyment. In the evening there was a gathering of the people in a social capacity and a very enjoyable time was spent. The singing of the choir, playing of the band, speeches, songs, recitations and pleasant conversation, and tripping joyfully to the dance all contributed to the happiness and enjoyment of all present.

The next day, Sunday, commenced a two days' conference meeting. The morning was occupied by the Sunday school. Elders Lyman and Stevenson giving excellent instruction to the school. The children of the primary class reciting the Lord's prayer, and the Articles of Faith by the intermediate department, was creditable.

The afternoon service was filled to overflowing. Choir sang a hymn, prayer by Elder A. F. Macdonald; choir sang an anthem. Sacrament administered by Bishop George W. Sevey and Counselor Miles P. Romney.

Elders George Teasdale and Francis M. Lyman, of the quorum of the Twelve Apostles occupied the time.

In the evening a Priesthood meeting was held, when the organization of a Stake of Zion and presentation of proposed officers was submitted to the Priesthood, and a most interesting meeting was held, full of profitable suggestions and valuable instructions, and culminating in a satisfactory organization to be presented to the conference on the ensuing day, for accept-

ance. The Spirit of the Lord was manifested in a remarkable manner.

The next day, Monday, the 9th inst., after the usual opening exercises, and prayer by Patriarch W. R. R. Stowell.

Elder George Teasdale addressed the conference. He was followed by Elder Francis M. Lyman, who also presented the following: "Resolved, that all the colonies of Mexico be organized into a Stake, and be known as the Juarez Stake of Zion." Unanimously accepted. Then the following officers were unanimously sustained:

Anthony W. Ivins, president; Henry Eyring and Helaman Pratt, counselors.

High Counsellors—William C. McClellan, Philip Hurst, Isaac Turley, Frederick W. Jones, John J. Walser, Alma P. Spilsbury, Joseph S. Cardon, Geo. M. Haws, Joseph H. Wright, Orson P. Brown, Miles A. Romney, Harry M. Payne. Alternate Counsellors—Pearson Ballenger, Joseph C. Davis, Daniel Skowson, Nathan Clayson, Thomas Hawkins, Brigham Stowell.

Patriarchs—Henry Lunt, William R. R. Stowell, John C. Naegle, Alexander F. McDonald.

President of the High Priests' quorum—Alexander F. McDonald, with W. R. R. Stowell and Joseph S. Cardon as his counselors.

Board of Education—Anthony W. Ivins, Henry Eyring, Helaman Pratt, Miles P. Romney, Wm. D. Johnson Jr., James A. Little, Isaac W. Pierce, Dunsion E. Harris.

Home Missionaries—W. C. McClellan, P. Furst, J. Turley, F. W. Jones, J. J. Walser, A. P. Spilsbury, J. S. Cardon, G. M. Haws, J. H. Wright, O. P. Brown, M. A. Romney, H. M. Payne, P. Ballenger, J. C. Davis, D. Skowson, N. Clayson, T. Hawkins, B. Stowell, J. C. Bentley, O. B. Cooley, E. C. Eyring, G. W. Hardy, S. E. McClellan, J. H. Turley, H. A. Thomson, J. C. Harper, W. W. Galbraith, S. C. Richardson and D. E. Harris.

Stake Clerk and Historian and Clerk of the High Council—Joseph C. Bentley.

President of Elders' Quorum—Peter Skowson, with Edward C. Eyring and Samuel W. Jarvis, counselors.

Relief Societies—Mary B. Eyring, president; Ellen W. Lunt and Cynthia Stowell, counselors.

Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association—Dunsion E. Harris, president; Joseph S. Cardon and Joseph C. Bentley, counselors.

Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement Association—Dora W. Pratt, president; Mary Loretta Teasdale and Nancy E. Durfee, counselors.

Sunday School—Dennis E. Harris, superintendent; John C. Harper and Sullivan C. Richardson as his assistants.

Primary Associations—Mary Loretta Teasdale, president; E. Victoria Pratt and Mary Farnsworth, counselors.

Board of Trade—Henry Eyring, president; Helaman Pratt, Ernest L. Taylor, Philip Hurst, W. Derby Johnson Jr., Jesse N. Smith Jr., I. Lyman Wilson, D. E. Harris and John T. Whetton, directors; Joseph C. Bentley, secretary and treasurer, and manager of said board.

Stake Choir—John Jacob Walser, leader; and all the members of the