

By Telegraph.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, 21.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* publishes a long statement which it says is by a person fully entitled to speak on behalf of the whole body of American missionaries in Turkey. The writer says: "The Protestant missionaries do not hesitate to say that the Turkish Government affords a better assurance of religious liberty than some forms of Christian rule which might replace it. Missionaries have such a dread of Russian ascendancy that they have requested me, confidentially, to lay before the German Government certain proofs of Russian intolerance, and to solicit Germany to secure from Russia guarantees of religious liberty before consenting to the dismemberment of Turkey or Russian occupation. The missionaries appealed to Germany because America's policy of non-intervention in European affairs precludes her treating the question by diplomacy."

LONDON, 23.—The operative cotton spinners of Blackburn, have decided to withdraw their notices, and practically, the dispute in north and north western Lancashire is at an end.

Utah a Shining Example.

Utah is a shining example of what may be accomplished in reclaiming the waste places, where twenty-five years since the wild Indian pitched his wickiup in the vast field of sage brush by the salt shores of America's dead sea, now a fair city stands, with 25,000 inhabitants, where every lot is an orchard and every front yard "a bower of roses by Beadmeer's stream."

So, too, throughout the Territory, from Idaho to Arizona, are scattered picturesque cities, villages, and settlements, refreshing oases in this desert land.

Whatever mismanagement may be attributed to the Mormons, however much we may differ with the tenets of their faith, we must respect their wisdom and foresight in planting trees wherever opportunity presented, and in their praiseworthy and indefatigable labors both in agriculture and in horticulture. Well may they boast that they have caused the desert to blossom as the rose.

Two noble instances of the success attending well directed effort, (not however entirely in connection with Utah) at present occur to my mind. One is the beautiful little town of St. Thomas, as well as the Indian reservation at West Point, on the "Muddy" river, 450 miles south of Salt Lake City, where cottonwoods were hauled 250 miles from the Beaver dams in Utah, and transplanted, and whose royal shade is now enjoyed by many a pilgrim in that hot, southern land, as he quaffs the sparkling product of her vineyards. The other is that beautiful oasis, on the Central Pacific railroad known as the "Humboldt House," where doubtless many of your readers have stopped for meals on their trips to San Francisco and the Golden Gate.

Aside from the pecuniary aspects, every man and woman too, of culture and refinement should take an interest in this grand subject, for this is nothing else (so beautifully expressed in the words of another) — "a thing of beauty is a joy forever."—*Hon. S. F. Nickols.*

A Grand Potlatch.

There was a mighty gathering of Indians at Saanich yesterday, upward of 3,000 redskins, in 275 canoes, were present. The occasion of the assemblage was a grand potlatch of over \$15,000 worth of goods being given away. English blankets to the value of \$5,000 were thrown from the top of the lodges to be scrambled for by the natives below, who stood armed with long poles stuck full of nails at one end, to secure the prize as soon as it fell. In addition to these, some curious "percees," made by the natives themselves from the wool of the mountain sheep, were also thrown. Three hundred guns, among which were some very fine double-barreled pieces with percussion locks, were then thrown down and caused a series of tremendous struggles, which lasted in some cases for nearly an hour. Pieces of board representing sums ranging from

\$100 to \$500 were then scrambled for after the same fashion. Three brothers gave 3,500 blankets as their contribution, which had all been paid for by the products of the chase. The stock of gifts being exhausted, the natives all got into their canoes and left, thus ending one of the largest meetings of the kind which has taken place for some years, and probably the last of any magnitude which will occur, as the rising generation of Indians seem to care little about perpetuating the customs of their forefathers, and this, as well as many other practices, will soon be numbered among the things of the past.—*British Columbia Colonist, Sept. 30.*

RETURNING PROSPERITY.—Hon Hugh McCulloch talks thus of it: "In returning to the United States after, with two intervals, an absence of six years, I perceive everywhere evidences of the misfortunes which have befallen the country; but I see also indications of returning prosperity. New life begins to show itself in our cotton and woolen factories; fires begin to glow again in our long slumbering iron foundries, trade is improving in our commercial cities, and hopefulness is succeeding despondency. All that is now needed is judicious revenue laws, a return to specie, the exercise of the industry which is natural to our people, and the practice of economy which is not, and may I not add, reform in our civil service, for no free government can long endure the strain of a policy which makes public offices spoils, and the tenure of office dependent not upon ability and integrity, but upon party subservience, to make the people of the United States what I am sure they are destined to be, the most prosperous as well as the freest people upon the earth. If I needed anything, which I do not, to make me proud of my country on my return from abroad, it would be the energy, the liberality and the taste displayed by my countrymen in the buildings erected for this, the most complete and extensive of international exhibitions, and for the variety and value of the contributions to it."—*Ex.*

The Abbe Prevost solicited the office of chaplain to the Prince de Conti. "But I never go to mass," replied the prince. "And I never celebrate it," replied the abbe. "In that case you have the appointment," responded the prince.

Italian brigands now publish a paper of their own, the title of which in English is *The Scamp*. It is published at Gergenti, and the subscribers receive it as often as brigand convenience allows.

A correspondent, writing from Chenoa, Illinois says: "The wife of Christopher Zehner, living in Pike township, about six miles northwest of this city, has given birth to five children within a year. The first, triplets, all girls were born on the evening of September 25, 1875, and on the morning of September 25, 1876, she had a pair of twins, a boy and a girl, which are living. The triplets died."—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

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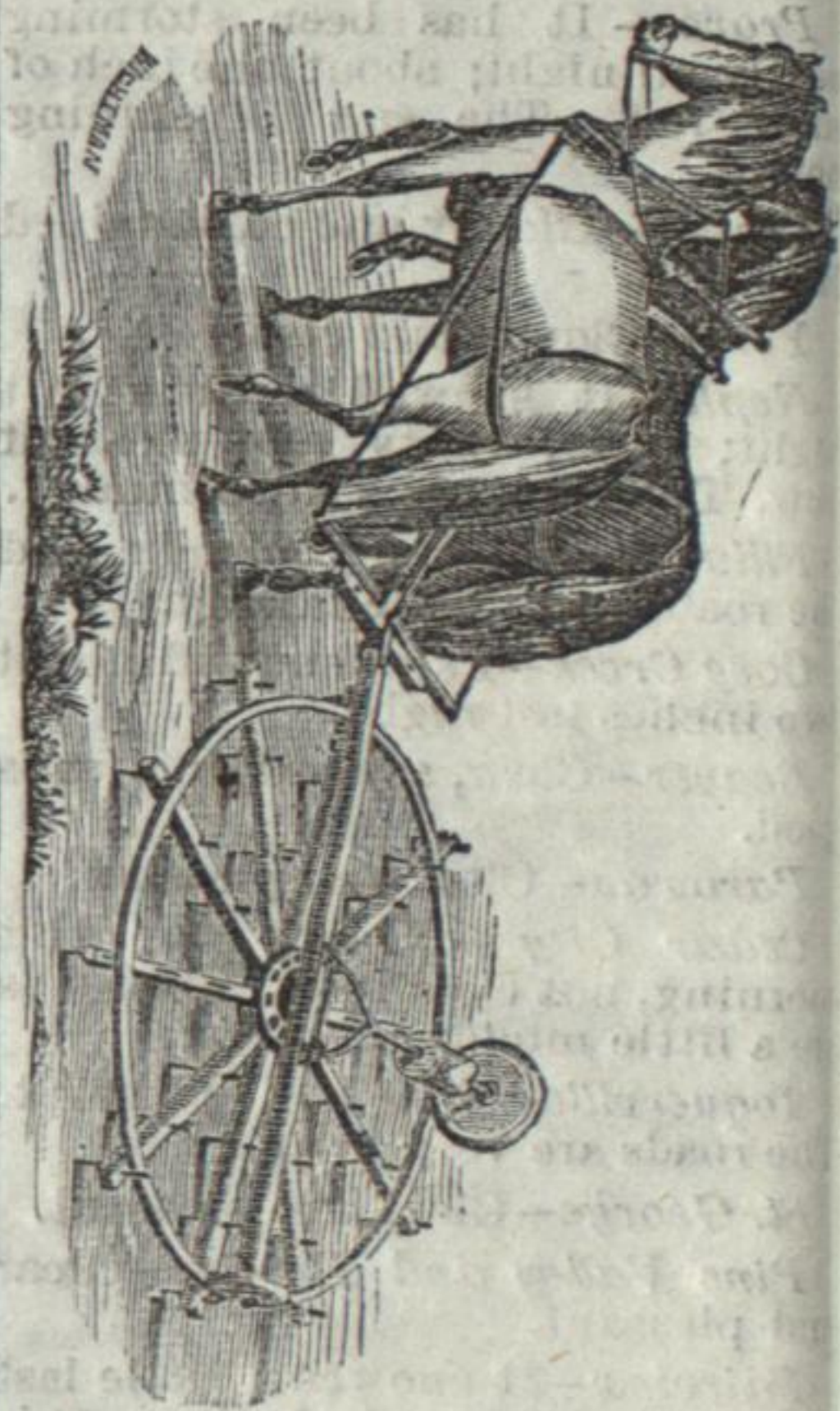
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