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WASHINGTON, 6. — Sargent's speech on the Chinese question has excited much interest here. The congressional sentiment on the question is awakening under such efforts, and the discussion by the California press.

The Postmaster General, at Senator Mitchell's instance, had declined to approve the special agent's recommendation for a reduction of mail service on the routes from Kelton, Utah, to Dalles, Oregon, and from Winnemucca to Boise city.

NEW ORLEANS, 6. — Acting Governor Antoine has offered \$5,000 reward for the arrest of the Couthatta assassin.

Advices received at the State House report that Senator Twitchell is still living, but in a precarious condition; his left arm has been amputated and his right arm is so badly shattered that the doctors propose to take it off also.

A communication received this morning from West Feliciana parish states that Wether, State senator, Dula, parish judge, and Armistead, a member of the House of Representatives, have been driven out of the parish by the regulators and compelled to take to the woods.

SAN FRANCISCO, 6. — Arrived, the British steamer *Lord of the Isles*, from Hong Kong, with over a thousand coolies.

A dispatch from Ureka says Col. Wingard, U. S. paymaster, and clerk, en route to Fort Gaston, to pay the troops, were attacked by two highwaymen, the clerk killed, and \$1,600 taken from him. Wingard was wounded, but escaped with the balance of the funds. One robber has since been captured.

NEW YORK, 7. — John A. Searings, ex-member of Congress from the first district of New York, is dead.

Over 40,000 people visited the scene of the explosion in Jersey City to-day. The absence of dangerous injury to any person is something wonderful, when the riddled houses in the neighborhood are seen. Many bricks were hurled through the walls within a few feet of the sleepers' heads. The police failed to trace anything that leads them to suppose the strikers were the perpetrators of the deed. The opinion is becoming general that spontaneous combustion was the cause. The damage, which is still only guessed at, consists chiefly of broken glass, and wreck of valuable articles.

FORT LARAMIE, WY., 7. — Jno. McGregor, first sergeant of Company K, Captain Eagan, second cavalry, was accidentally drowned while out with two men trying to find deserters to-day. He was crossing Laramie river, his horse became frightened and ugly, and when nearly across all control over him was lost. He turned back into the river, got into deep water and was swept by a strong current. McGregor was an excellent man, and was with Captain Eagan in his charge lately made through Crazy Horse's village. He leaves a wife and two children, was a member of the Capital Lodge of masons, Omaha.

SAN FRANCISCO, 7. — The U. S. paymaster, robbed on his way to Fort Gaston, proves to have been Colonel Broadhead, instead of Wingard. The clerk was only wounded slightly.

A gentleman arrived in this city yesterday morning from the southern country, carrying with him the head of Chavez, the bandit, for which the governor has offered a reward of \$5,000.

NEW YORK, 8. — Vanderbilt will be able to ride out to-morrow.

The *Times'* Washington special says the letter of the doorkeeper of the House to A. A. Maddox, of Texas, which is being printed broadcast, and gathering material as it goes, could easily have been suppressed, had the doorkeeper chosen to make a certain appointment for which pressure had been brought to bear on him. He could have secured the letter by the prostitution of his position, but he refused to do it. The letter was a strictly private one, written in a spirit of pleasantness to a man who was supposed to be a personal friend, and it has been grossly and outrageously changed, both in sentence and orthography, this being the work of men who seem disappointed in their expectation of securing appointments under the doorkeeper.

The committee of post office expenditures meet to-morrow to examine a number of witnesses, summoned from Omaha and Council Bluffs, as to frauds on the weighing of mails by the safety method. It is alleged that by this system, with the connivance of the post office officials, the Government has been defrauded of a large sum of money.

The Supreme Court will adjourn from to-morrow till the October term.

The Government has on hand, as part of its silver bullion fund, about three million dollars, which was held prior to February 14, 1875, when the resumption act, as it is called, was approved. As this need no longer be retained, and, as it is not considered to be within the provisions of the resumption act, it is not necessary that it should be paid out in exchange for fractional currency, the Secretary has directed that it be paid out in ordinary disbursements of the Government whenever called for, so that any one who has a check upon the U. S. can secure silver for whole or any part of it.

The *Herald's* Rome special says that his Holiness is very feeble in body. He has to be supported by two prelates of the church.

It is reported that Trenor W. Park, who owns enough mortgages on the Emma mine to take possession, has sent orders to Utah to foreclose at once and put it on the market.

Dominique, ex Prest. of Hayti, is said to have died of his wounds on the French Man-of-war *Seine*, and was buried at L'Archaise.

The explosion at Jersey city was not caused by dynamite, but by the Rend Rock mixture of nitro-glycerine with gunpowder.

Miss Ada C. Sweet, pension agent at Chicago, testified before the committee, to the charges of paying money for her position as pension agent. She testified that she was an applicant for the position and in consideration of receiving the appointment she agreed to pay David Blakeley, pension agent, \$2,100, and was directed by him to pay the money over to B. H. Campbell, then as now U. S. marshal for that district. When she had paid the sum of \$2,100 she notified Blakeley and Campbell that she had performed her part of the contract, but Campbell told her that was not correct, that he had a note against Blakeley for \$5,000, and that she was to pay the whole of that note. Witness stated that Campbell is General Babcock's father-in-law. Considerable correspondence passed between all parties on the subject. Blakeley was also a defaulter, as pension agent, in the sum of \$3,000. When he turned the office over to Miss Sweet, he turned over to her \$3,700, and induced her to give him a receipt for \$40,000 to cover up his deficit, and promised to attend to it in a few weeks. He did not do so, and when the office was visited by an official from the Pension office, and Miss Sweet told him the whole story, the agent told her he would delay an examination of her office until he was on his return trip, so as to allow some further time for paying his deficit. One day, after the Minnesota election, Gen. J. H. Raker, of Missouri, commissioner of pensions, and Blakeley came into her office and demanded that the amount of \$3,000 (?) deficit should be paid that day, and charged it upon her as her own deficit. She went to Campbell and between them the amount was raised. Campbell gave her a note for about \$1,800, which she endorsed and got discounted, and she raised the balance of \$3,000. In this way the deficit was made up on that occasion. Blakeley and Commissioner Baker were great friends, and Baker knew of the arrangement which she made with Blakeley. When the President found out that she was paying out money for her appointment, he notified her that a continuance of it would be sufficient cause for removal. This was after she had paid the \$2,000. She had paid out so much on that amount, that so far she had received no benefit from her appointment as pension agent, but had run into debt and was still behind about \$2,000. Baker is now surveyor general for Minnesota, and Blakeley is publishing a paper somewhere in that vicinity.

"How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God. 'Tis easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."

And he thought of his millions of money. And he wondered what Jesus Christ meant when he spoke these words. And he died. — *New York Sun*.

Two more witnesses have appeared, Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Bradshaw, who say Mrs. Tilton confessed to them her guilt with Beecher. Plymouth church committee are indignant and ask, "What does Mrs. Tilton know about it anyway?"

Two large drapery firms in London have private chaplains, to whom they pay a salary each of \$2,500 for attending every morning to offer prayer and give addresses to the young men and women in their employ.

The English boat race was so much talked about in Brooklyn on Saturday evening that several young men felt too tired to go to church the next morning. These constant excitements are knocking all the veneration off our piety. — *Brooklyn Argus*.

A little three-year old in Hartford, having become a little mixed between her religious instruction and her nursery rhymes, gravely recites: "The Lord is my shepherd, and he lost his sheep, and don't know where to find them."

"Eliza," said a clergyman to one of his parishioners, whom he saw with her hair in curling papers, "if God had designed your hair to curl he would have curled it for you." "He did, sir, when I was a child," was the reply; "but he thinks now I am old enough to do it myself."

A Minnesota lady, in taking her morning gape lately, put her jaw out of joint, and it was two days before the doctor could get it in place again. Her husband says he hasn't had such a vacation since his married life began. — *New York Commercial Advertiser*.

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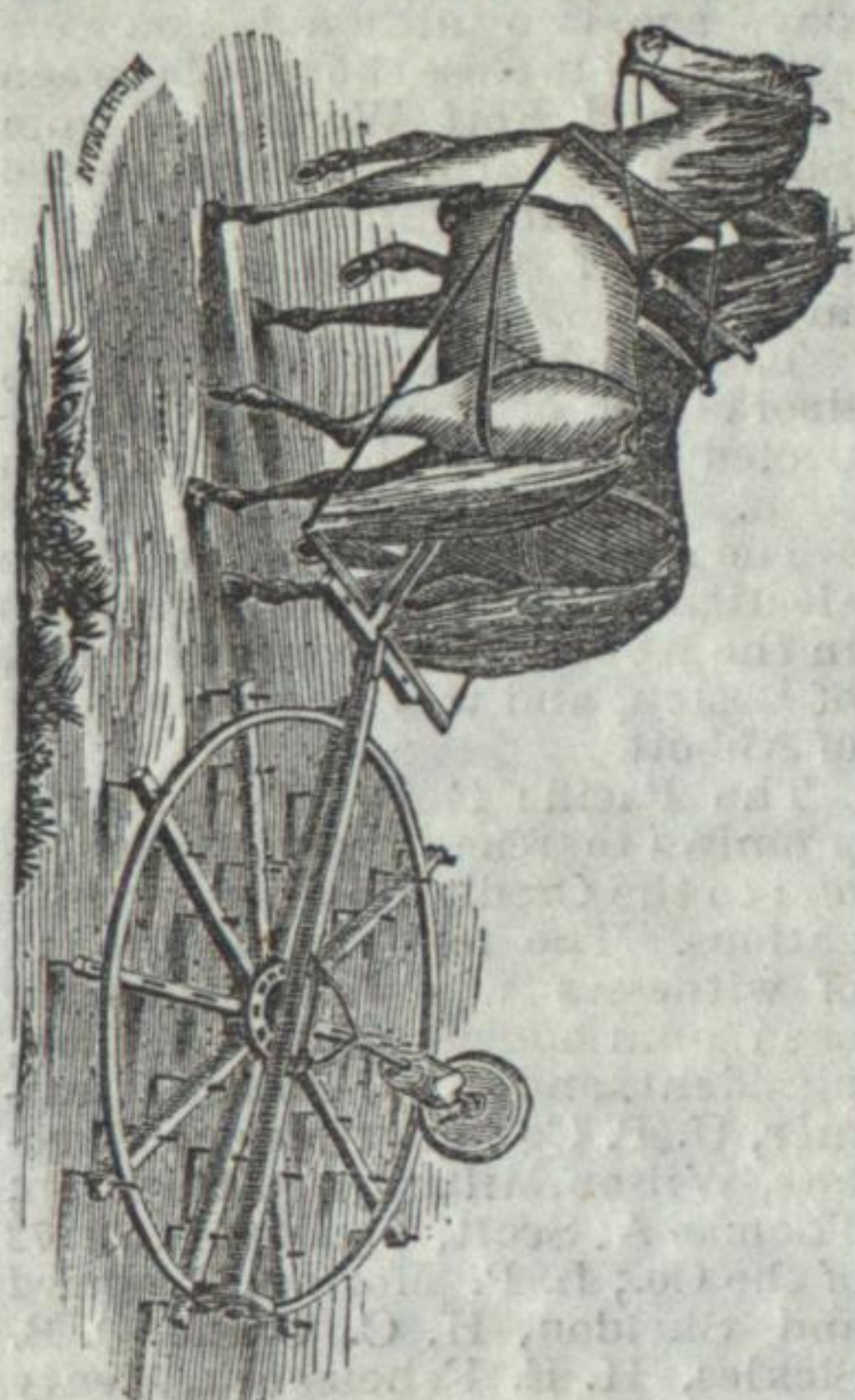
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