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Woman Thief Is Placarded.
 Mayor Nichols, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., sent an annual message of forty-six pages to the City Council Tuesday night, which that body received and filed without a page being opened. Wednesday he did something which, if rumor is true, the Council will not ignore. The first intimation of this new "freak," as some call it, of the Mayor's was the appearance on the street in the afternoon of a woman walking around, wearing upon her back a big white card, on which was printed in big black letters the words: "I am a shoe thief! Look out." A big policeman followed close behind her to prevent her displaying the sign or running away, and thus she was obliged to walk through all the principal streets. The woman is Mrs. Sarah Jones and is a professional thief, having been before the Mayor several times for petty thefts. Nevertheless, her punishment is declared to be outrageous, and several members of the Council threaten to endeavor to impeach the Mayor.

MANGLED AND KILLED.
 Two Killed and Eight Badly Injured at Grocers Point.
 With an explosion that shook the country for miles around one of the buildings of the Chicago Fireworks Company at Grocers Point blew up about 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, killing two persons, fatally wounding two and terribly injuring six others. The employees, most of whom were girls under age, had scarcely been at work an hour when the accident occurred. What caused the explosion is not and probably never will be known. The girls were working briskly and merrily chatting with one another, when suddenly a terrible roar was heard, and the walls of the building, which is one of twelve similar ones, fell downward, while the roof came careening down, crushing the poor victims to the floor. A minute later another explosion followed, which merely raised the roof from the dying and fainting, and with feeble limbs and agonizing cries the wounded crawled out, some of them, forgetful of their own awful plight, dragging the mace-bearing ones with them. The work for the season at the establishment began but a few weeks ago, and only two of the twelve buildings were in use.

SELF-RIDGE GOING TO MOSCOW.
 He Will Represent Uncle Sam at the Festivities.
 The United States navy will be represented at the festivities attending the coronation of the Czar by the triple-screw cruiser Minneapolis, the swiftest vessel in the navy. The vessel has been docked and put in order at the big Italian Government dock at Capri, and has sailed from that place for Naples. At the same time the San Francisco, Admiral Selfridge's flagship, sailed from Piraeus for Naples, and the vessels will meet there. The admiral will transfer his flag to the Minneapolis and steam away for Constantinople. This is the nearest Russian port to Moscow, the place where the coronation will take place, and the Minneapolis will be there, along with many men-of-war of all nations, making a part of the naval demonstration.

SUCCESS OF ASEPTOLIN CURE.
 Supposed Incurable Consumption Rapidly Gaining Health.
 The aseptolin cure for consumption has been tried on three convicts in the Western penitentiary at Pittsburg with remarkable success. The convicts had pulmonary tuberculosis, and were considered incurable. A month's treatment shows an uninterrupted record of rapid and marvelous improvement until the patients are to external appearances well men.

REPEAL FREE ALCOHOL CLAUSE.
 Favorable Report Ordered on the Bill of Congressman Stone.
 The House Committee on Ways and Means decided to report favorably on the bill introduced by C. W. Stone, of Pennsylvania, to repeal the section of the Wilson act which gives free alcohol for use in the arts and manufactures. The internal revenue officials have acknowledged their inability to carry out the provisions of the law.

Father of the Senate.
 That venerable figure of the Senate, Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, reached the ripe age of 80 years Tuesday, and the event was referred to in the opening prayer of the chaplain, who spoke of the white-haired Senator as "hale in body, clear, sound, and vigorous in intellect, esteemed by his brother Senators, by his State, and by the whole country."

Indiana Is a Good Boat.
 The special board which was appointed to make the trip from Port Royal to Hampton Roads on the Indiana and thus make the final inspection of that vessel finds there no weakness or defect in the hull, fittings, or equipment, nor is there any defect in the machinery of the Indiana.

No Aid for Mrs. Maybrick.
 Senator Hoar, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported back Senator Call's resolution proposing intervention in the case of Mrs. Maybrick.

Potatoes Bring Little Money.
 The price of potatoes has been broken and a world's record made. In Columbus, Minn., choice white potatoes are selling at 14 cents a bushel. The starch factories are running and many potatoes are being brought in. Prices at the factories are larger.

Cheated the Gallows.
 At Xenia, Ohio, Charles Morris, the confessed murderer of Mrs. Mary Booth, committed suicide by cutting his throat when told to get ready to go to Columbus to be hanged.

TRADE AT A STANDSTILL.
 Weather an Important Factor in the Spring Business.
 R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "The volume of business has not on the whole increased, nor have prices appreciably advanced since April 1 when the range for all commodities was the lowest ever known in this country. Broadstuffs and iron products have risen slightly, but some other articles have declined. The root of the matter is that demand for consumption is still below expectations. The number of hands employed has been slightly lessened by strikes in some establishments and by stoppage or reduction in force in others, but the change during the last week has not been relatively important. The weather has not favored active distribution of spring goods, and uncertainty as to continued employment affects the purchases by hands in a large number of establishments."

SYMPATHIZE WITH CUBANA.
 Action of United States Congress Indorsed in South America.
 The Buenos Ayres press generally comments upon the action of the United States Congress in relation to the belligerency of the Cuban revolutionists. The Tribune and the Nation favor recognition and express hopes that President Cleveland will approve the resolutions. The Prensa stands in the attitude of supporting Spain. The general sentiment in Argentina is one of sympathy with the revolutionists, a member of Congress is quoted as saying that he was only waiting for action by President Cleveland to present a motion in the House for similar action to that taken in the United States.

TO REDUCE CAPITAL LIMIT.
 Report on the Bill for National Banks in Small Cities.
 Representative Van Voorhis, of Ohio, has reported to the House from the Banking and Currency Committee a bill to permit the organization of national banks with a capital of not less than \$20,000 in cities of 4,000 inhabitants. Under the existing law the minimum capital stock required for the organization of a national bank is \$50,000. In some sections of the country, says the accompanying report, there is a growing need for bank issues, as well as for other banking accommodations in small towns in which \$50,000 cannot readily be raised for banking purposes.

FIVE MEN DROWNED.
 The British Ship Blainmore Capsizes While Lying at Anchor.
 The British ship Blainmore, at anchor in Mission Bay, in the southern part of San Francisco, capsized. The ship turned completely over. The first officer and four of the crew were drowned, while the captain and five men known to be on board are missing and it is supposed they are drowned. Tugs set to work to right the vessel, which has been there since Feb. 2, from New Castle, Australia. The captain's vessel will be saved without much damage.

Kotze Settles Accounts.
 There was a sensation in court and military circles in Berlin Friday morning when it was announced that another duel growing out of the great court anonymous-letter scandal had taken place in the woods near Potsdam, and that Baron von Schaper, master of the ceremonies of the Prussian court, had been shot and seriously wounded by Count von Kotze. Von Kotze was formerly court chamberlain, and was acquitted on the charge of being the author of the anonymous communications which had been sent to the emperor and was seriously wounded in the abdomen. He was taken to a hospital. His relatives were telegraphed for, and they promptly gathered at his bedside. This is the third dueling of the series of about a dozen for which the challenge was sent out last April by Count von Kotze, and he has repeated his announcement of his determination to keep on fighting his enemies, one by one, until he has settled accounts with all on his list. Those who know Count von Kotze feel confident he will keep his word. The scandals which gave rise to this series of duels began nearly five years ago, when high court personages, male and female, old and young, began receiving anonymous letters or postal cards calling for attention to this or that escapade upon their own part, or upon the part of relatives or friends. As a result, wives became separated from their husbands, and fathers and mothers deserted their children, nearly everybody of importance was smirched more or less by the venom of the anonymous writer, who was evidently a person thoroughly familiar with all the details of court life. People began to look askance at their best friends. Every effort possible was made by the police to discover the guilty person, but, in spite of this, the anonymous tormentor was able to continue the cruel work about four years. The general opinion was that the man could not be a member of a woman; but gradually this opinion changed, and for some unexplained reason suspicion fastened itself upon Count von Kotze, one of the court chamberlains, a popular man, well liked by the emperor and trusted by his friends. He was arrested, but afterward acquitted. When Count von Kotze was released from prison he promptly sent out challenges to about a dozen of those whom he believed to have been implicated in the plot, and in order to save the reputation of the high personage, whoever he may be, who is looked upon as being the real author of the anonymous communications. This is his third duel, and nine challenges are yet out.

Call for Peace.
 At last President Cleveland has made to Spain a formal proposition that the great offer of the United States be accepted in mediation between that country and her rebellious colony in the West Indies. No diplomatic dispatch of equal importance has left the capital since Secretary Olney's note to the British Government on the Venezuela boundary question was sent to London last summer. It brings to a crisis the relations between the United States and Spain, which have been unsettled since the outbreak of the Cuban rebellion.

Prohibition Candidates.
 Prohibitionists of Illinois have placed in nomination the following ticket: Governor Hale Johnson
 Lieutenant Governor C. A. W. Weller
 Secretary of State Alonzo E. Wilson
 Auditor A. J. Bassett
 Treasurer E. K. Hays
 Attorney General Robert H. Patton
 University Trustees—Miss Lucy P. Gaston, Mrs. Carrie L. Grout, Mrs. Ella M. Orr.
 United States Senator Dan R. Sheen

Wales One of the Sponsors.
 At Cannes the daughter of the Duke Michael, son of Grand Duke Michael-Nicolai, was baptized in the Russian church, the Prince of Wales and the Grand Duchess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin being her sponsors.

Suicide Is Epidemic.
 A mania for self-destruction is prevalent in Chicago. To the five attempts at suicide—three successful—reported Saturday four fresh tragedies were added Sunday.

Hundred Must Go Back.
 The steamer Hoviv, of the Anchor Line, arrives in New York City from Genoa Sunday. She brought 1,376 Italian immigrants. Six hundred of them

were detained at Ellis Island on the ground that they are likely to become public charges. Of this number none had more than a dollar or so, while many of them were practically penniless. Dr. Senner said that only 10 per cent. of those detained would be allowed to land. The steamer Alesia, of the Kahlo Line, also from Naples, reached the bar with 1,041 more on board. The immigration authorities are appalled at the great influx of Italian paupers. More than 15,000 have already arrived, and Dr. Senner has received advices that 15,000 more are about to sail from Naples.

NEW CONSUL AT HAVANA.
 Fitzhugh Lee to Represent the United States in the Cuban Capital.
 The President Monday sent to the Senate the nomination of Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, to be consul general of the United States at Havana, Cuba, vice Ramon O. Williams, resigned. Fitzhugh Lee was born in Clermont, Fairfax County, Va., Nov. 10, 1845. He was graduated at the United States military academy in 1866, and commissioned a second lieutenant in Second Cavalry. After being seriously wounded by Indians on the frontier he was ordered to West Point as instructor of cavalry. He resigned his commission on the breaking out of the war of the rebellion and joined the Confederate cause. In March, 1863, he was placed in command of the whole cavalry corps of the army of Northern Virginia, and a month later surrendered to Gen. Meade at Farmington. A member of Congress from 1871 to 1874 he made a speech at Bunker Hill which attracted wide attention, after which he lectured in the Southern States. He was elected Governor of Virginia in 1885. He is a nephew of the famous Confederate General, Robert Edward Lee.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.
 New York Bar Association Planning for a Permanent Court.
 The plan for an international court of arbitration for the settlement of all disputes between nations, which has so long been under consideration by the New York State Bar Association, has been practically completed so far as the committee having it in charge is concerned. When it is approved it will be sent to President Cleveland. If he approves it he will take the necessary steps to call the attention of other nations to it. In a general way it may be said that the plan provides for a permanent court, organized upon a strictly judicial basis. It is proposed to have it in constant session, so as to antedate any controversy that may arise. The court is to be made up of the foremost judges of the world.

Illness Chicago Girl Kills Her Friend.
 Miss Mary Linnett, of 43 North Campbell avenue, Chicago, shot and instantly killed Miss Elizabeth Trowbridge, a prominent young woman of Elgin, Ill., and then killed herself, shortly after 8 o'clock Monday evening. The double tragedy took place on the principal residence street of the city. Miss Linnett some two years ago conceived a singular liking for a young woman in Chicago, a neighbor, and attempted to take her life because she would not live with her. She was sent to the insane hospital at Elgin less than a year ago and was discharged from the institution as cured in December last. Miss Trowbridge was an attendant at the hospital and had charge of Miss Linnett, who became passionately attached to her. Her great regret in leaving Elgin was that she must leave her friend behind. She returned to Chicago, where she remained at her home. Her friends believed her entirely cured of her mental troubles. But the strange passion for Miss Trowbridge induced Miss Linnett to return to Elgin, where she endeavored to persuade the latter to accompany her to Chicago. Failing, she tragically followed.

Robbers Get Away with \$5,000.
 Five men, one of whom was masked, went to the residence of Dr. Cooper at Calvin I. T., on Wednesday night, ransacked the house and found \$5,000 in a small trunk. They then left, and are supposed to have gone to the mountains.

Twenty-eight Men Are Missing.
 Twenty-eight men were driven off shore Sunday on the ice at St. John's, N. F. Two steamers searched for them, but returned unsuccessful. It is supposed that the men have got ashore at desolate points on the coast.

Refuse \$7,000 for a Gold Nugget.
 A nugget of gold was found at the Reid gold mine near Charlotte, N. C., a few days ago, for which the owners have refused an offer of \$7,000. The country around is wrought up over the find.

Gold Excitement in Missouri.
 Much excitement prevails at Excelsior Springs, Mo., over the finding of gold ore amounting from \$100 to \$250 a ton. Five or six assays were made before any statement was given out.

German Are Smokers.
 Last year, according to figures contained in a report of the State Department Commercial Agent Moore at Weimar, the consumption of tobacco in Germany was 150,302,580 pounds.

Shot by Robbers.
 John Hays, a clerk in the general store of P. T. Hays, his brother, at Puente, Cal., was shot and killed by two masked robbers.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.
 Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.00; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 64c to 65c; corn, No. 2, 24c to 25c; oats, No. 2, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 31c to 32c; butter, choice creamery, 17c to 18c; eggs, fresh, 15c to 17c; potatoes, per bushel, 15c to 22c; broad corn, \$2.00 to \$4.50 per ton for common to choice.
 Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$4.50; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 60c to 71c; corn, No. 1 white, 50c to 51c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c.
 St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 26c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 18c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 38c.
 Cincinnati—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$4.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 74c to 75c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 31c to 33c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 22c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 43c to 45c.
 Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 72c to 74c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 30c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c; rye, 37c to 39c.
 Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 72c to 74c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 31c to 32c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 38c to 40c; clover seed, \$4.70 to \$4.80.
 Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 64c to 65c; corn, No. 3, 22c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 21c; barley, No. 2, 31c to 33c; rye, No. 1, 38c to 40c; pork, mess, \$8.50 to \$9.00.
 Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 70c to 78c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 35c to 36c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c.
 New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 41c to 42c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 24c; butter, creamery, 17c to 18c; eggs, Western, 11c to 12c.

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