

ROMAN GERMAN BANK
ANOTHER BAD CRASH IN RUSSIAN MONETARY CIRCLES.
Kilbert Highly Respected, Admired and Eminent Financier...

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The German world of finance was startled today by another crash among its moneyed institutions...

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—For Lower Michigan, the westerly wind, colder in the northeast, stationary temperature in southwest portions.

THE WARDERS' FAIR.
The Fifth Warders are Setting the Pace for Chicago.

Saunders' hall was far too small to accommodate comfortably the large throngs who attended the Word's Fair there last night.

Every one of the booths was doing an immense business. The first to be noticed on entering was presided over by Miss Jennie Shadlock...

The supper tables were elegantly spread and were looked after by the Misses Edgewood, Warner and Ward.

The entertainment did not start until nearly ten o'clock and consisted of instrumental music and tableaux.

His Harness stolen.
Rev. Appleby of 30 West Leonard street had a little experience last evening that he will not soon forget.

Sherriff Fuller offers a reward of \$100 for the capture of one of the men who are believed to be the thieves who stole the horse from the barn at Iron River.

Buy your Christmas goods of Mrs. C. DeNahr. 65 Monroe street.
Your own price on cloaks at Kidder & Co's mortgage sale.

SIMPSON'S HEAD IS LEVEL.
Washington correspondence Detroit Press: Congressman Jerry Simpson, the Farmers' Alliance leader of Kansas, said to the Free Press today: 'I heartily favor the Michigan plan for electing presidential electors by congressional districts and, in fact, believe the measure should be approved. It is a great step toward bringing the election of president and vice president nearer to the people where it ought to be. The Michigan plan deserves the highest respect, admired and envied financier has been embezzling money for a long time past. In this latest revelation of fraud, Adolph Alpert, a prominent banker of Toledo, Ohio, who has been declared a bankrupt, and an examination into his affairs shows a very poor outlook for his credit in the banking world.'

SHOCKING DEPRAVITY.
A Gentleman of Wide Experience Gives a Description of What He Saw at the Late Cooks' and Waiters' Dance.

There are people who believe that this city can in a short space of time, congregate at any appointed place as depraved, blasphemous and devilish, as any other place in the world.

As inspected by a gentleman who without doubt has visited all the large cities on the continent and made it a business to study human nature in the slums, it would make the minister's conference give up hope of converting the tough Russian.

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SPRINGERS IN THE MIDDLE MAN.
FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—William M. Springer will be the leader of the house during the fifty-second congress. The selection of Springer for the leadership has not been formally announced, but a gentleman very near the speaker has declared upon Springer for chairman of the committee on ways and means, a position which carries with it the leadership of the house.

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ELMER GARY ON TRIAL.
Claims He Got Shot Under A Corn Cutter In Self-Defense.

The case of the people against Elmer E. Gary charged with assaulting Jacob Shoer of Ada township with a corn cutter with intent to commit murder, was placed on trial yesterday before Judge Green.

MASS MEETING CALLED.
By the Improvement Association—Kent, Ottawa and Dundas Counties Organized to Improve Grand River.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Grand Rapids has been called by the Grand Rapids Improvement Association, at 7 o'clock in the evening of the 10th inst.

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BLAKE ON THE DRAW.
THE PRICE PAID BY HARRISON IS SEVEN ELLIANS' AMOUNT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—A number of statements who are supposed to be conversant with administration secrets say that the president and Secretary Blaine have a lengthy conference at the coming appointment of a secretary of war and they feel sure that the secretary succeeded in showing the president how satisfactory and proper the appointment of Mr. Elkins would be.

REPT THE MONEY.
And Refused to Deliver the Stock of Goods, William H. Benedict Arrested.

William H. Benedict was arrested yesterday on a capias sworn out by Walter C. Blake, charging him with the unlawful conversion of \$300 of Blake's money. Benedict is a member of a corporation and baker's stock at 559 Cherry street.

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"LITTLE JAKE" HERE.
He Absorbs a Large Amount of Information About the Reeds Lake Electric Road—Some Gossip at His Elbow.

"Little Jake" Snowman, of Saginaw, and Frank E. Selig, of Detroit, were in the city yesterday for the purpose of looking up the Reeds Lake electric road.

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CHILL LOOKS UP HARRISON'S MESSAGE AS A TREAT.
The Junta Determined not to Apologize for Pay Indemnity—Buying Artillery From Spain—A Threatened Invasion of the Spanish Government.

VALPARAISO, Dec. 10.—The substance of President Harrison's statement of Chillan affairs was received today, and the Junta determined not to apologize for paying indemnity to Spain.

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AN ELEGANT CHRISTMAS PRESENT! ONE OF THOSE BEAUTIFUL AND RELIABLE CHAS. BROS.' PIANOS.

THE BEST AND MOST DURABLE PIANO ON THE MARKET. A LARGE ASSORTMENT JUST RECEIVED TO SELECT FROM.

Chase Bros. Piano Co., - - - 92 Monroe Street.

THE PEOPLES COLUMN.

Spiritualization. Editor: The Peoples Press—It is not generally known that we have in our midst one of the best materializing mediums in the world, but such is the case. I speak of Mr. Archer, who has a suite of rooms in the Weston Hotel. I have attended several of his seances, and I must say that they are most wonderful, and with the one desire to spread the truth and thus assist in freeing the people from the awful mental slavery and superstitions into which the church has thrown and bound them, I wish to give a partial description of what I have seen at Mr. Archer's seances, several of which I have had the pleasure of attending. Last evening there were forty-three forms of both sexes and all sizes came out of the cabinet. At one time the medium and a full-form materialized spirit came out of the cabinet together; at other times two spirits at a time. Many of the forms walked nearly across the room from the cabinet. Several were those of men and women whose names are household words in every civilized land—at least they gave names that are familiar to all. One materialized outside the cabinet, and appeared to come right up out of the floor; another materialized and dematerialized in mid-air, next to the ceiling; another one—a "brother" form of "years old"—materialized and appeared on top of the piano that stood near the cabinet.

At one time a glowing light in the room during the most of the evening so that all in the room and there were thirty-two materialized spirits, and at that time the least change for any intruder or fraud, and the cabinet set in a part of the room where no accomplices could get to Mr. Archer, nor was there any possible chance for a fraud to be perpetrated. The paraphernalia in which so many different forms have come out of the cabinet I attended.

At one, a little child about three years of age, and a young woman, picked her child up and took it back into the cabinet; also at one time two girls about 12 and 13 respectively, came out together, gave their names, and were recognized by a brother there. Many who came out were what are known as "cabinet spirits," or those who do not work, some of whom are materialized in the cabinet; the seance; but a majority were relatives and friends of those who came to the seance, and many who were called to form giving his or her name in full and calling for the ones they came to see from the cabinet.

At these seances are some of the foremost men and women of our city, and some of the most prominent dignitaries of the truth, men and women who have minds of their own, who profess to know the most prominent phenomena of spirit manifestation.

At the private seances much better results have been obtained than at the public day and Friday night public seances, because in all the realm of nature certain forces must be made to produce certain results, and spirit manifestation is no exception to that immutable law. Spirit materialization is as old as time, and the Bible and many other ancient histories are replete with records of it. The materializing spirit power is all the same in nearly every page. I have not the space now to refer to it, but in the "Peoples Press" Spirit power is all the power there is in existence, and each spirit uses that power just according to his knowledge of the law governing the forces. CHARLES HOWELL. Dec. 3, 1891.

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YOUR AID IN GETTING YOUR FRIENDS.

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A Leader.

Since its first introduction of Electric Bitters has gained rapidly in popularity, until now it is clearly in the lead among pure medicinal tonics and alteratives—containing nothing which permits its use as a beverage or intoxicant, it is recognized as the best and purest medicine for all ailments of stomach, liver or kidneys. It will cure sick headache, indigestion, constipation and drive malaria from the system. Satisfaction guaranteed with each bottle or the money will be refunded. Price only 50c per bottle. Sold by Thum Bros.

Becklin's Arteric Salts.

WONDERFUL BUT POSITIVELY TRUE.

Electricity is Life at the Electrical, Medical and Surgical Institute.

Our prices are reasonable and every possible attention is given to patients to insure a permanent cure.

Go to Mrs. C. D. Neahr, 65 Monroe street, for Mamma Durr, for developing the bust, Masura for removing superfluous hair. Toilet articles of every description and many goods. Orders by letter given prompt attention.

SMITH'S OPERA HOUSE.

WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, DECEMBER 7.

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THE MORNING PRESS. Greeting. Cut This Out! It is a 10 cent Admission, Good for any Child under 15 years of age to REDMOND'S OPERA HOUSE. SATURDAY MATINEE, DEC. 12, '91.

Mr. Daniel A. Kelley, AND COMPANY IN "After Seven Years." A Successful Melo-Drama of Two Continents. Over \$500 Given Away to Deserving Charity in The Past Few Weeks. All Next Week, Commencing Monday Evening.

PECK'S BAD BOY. AMUSEMENTS. "GET ON TO THE FEET." Crozier Bros' FOOT FORM SHOES. My stars! what makes my feet With pains and aches complete (Until my head in sympathy complains) They tell me it's because I've broken Nature's laws And Crozier's Foot Form Shoes did not obtain.

Picture Frames. Made to order at prices within the reach of all. THE LARGEST STOCK IN THE STATE TO CHOOSE FROM. FOR AN X-MAS PRESENT Buy a nice Picture or have one framed. Now is the time to order before it is too late to get it. We also carry a full line of Wall Paper, Paints, Oils & Decorations HARVEY & HEYSTEK MONROE, OTTAWA AND FOUNTAIN STREETS.

OCEAN TICKETS. FOR OCEAN Steamship Tickets, Diagrams Sailing Lines and General Information regarding all lines, apply to JAS. CAMPBELL, General Steamship Agent, 91 Monroe Street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

REDMOND'S OPERA HOUSE. BRADY & GARWOOD, Lessees and Managers. FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY EVENINGS AND SPECIAL SATURDAY MATINEE.

CHICAGO AND WEST MICHIGAN R.R. GOING TO CHICAGO. CHICAGO AND WEST MICHIGAN R.R. GOING TO CHICAGO. CHICAGO AND WEST MICHIGAN R.R. GOING TO CHICAGO.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL. "The Niagara Falls Route." New York Express. Arrive. Leave. Detroit Express. Arrive. Leave.

CHINESE SACRED LILIES. T. R. RENWICK & CO. 123 Monroe Street. Telephone 148.

Table with 2 columns: Station, Time. Includes Grand Rapids & Indiana, Muskegon, Grand Rapids & Indiana.

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CITY AND SUBURBS.
 Nearly twenty miles of water mains have been laid this season.
 The call today in Judge Adair's court is issues of fact 75, 76 and 81.
 To Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Robinson of 103 William street—a six-penny girl.
 Mrs. N. C. Ward of 112 Winter street has gone to visit friends at Charlotte for a few days.
 Thomson Bros. & Co. 142 West Bridge

street, are selling more gold, silver and gold-filled watches than any other firm in the city. They sell on the installment plan.
 The Young Ladies' Foreign Missionary society of the Division Street M. E. church will be entertained at Mrs. L. T. Wilmart's, 145 South Union street, this afternoon and evening. Business meeting at 8 o'clock. Gentlemen invited to tea at 7 o'clock.
 Adolph Goetz, charged with bar obstruction, was held to the Superior court for trial yesterday by Judge Hagerty.
 Mrs. Coderlund wishes to thank the members of the First Presby-

terian church, the A. O. U. W., the Danish society and to Perkins & Co. for kind services rendered during the sickness of her husband.
 STRAYED—A black, smooth shepherding dog, answers to name of Sheep. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to 85 Eleventh street.

Pilo's Remedy for Catarrh is the Best, Easiest to Use, and Cheapest.
CATARRH
 Sold by druggists or sent by mail, 50c. R. I. Heron, Warren, Pa.

Why Are we Sick?
 Call on Dr. S. Clay Todd for the particulars.

SEALED PROPOSALS—Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned up to and including the ninth day of January, 1902, for the purchase of the county property corner of Kent and Lyon streets, including buildings thereon. Possession to be given on the completion of the new court house and its occupancy by the several county officials. The board of supervisors reserve the right to reject any or all bids.
 CHARLES D. STEPHENS,
 Chairman of Committee.

GENTLEMEN! Here Is Success!
GRAND SUCCESS!
All Diseases of Men Cured!
 All Diseases resulting from Early Indiscretions and Excesses of Manhood, Overwork of the Brain, etc., Urinary, Female and Chronic Diseases, young, middle-aged and old people
CURED
 By Dr. S. CLAY TODD, Rooms 1, 3 and 4, Wenhams Block, 16 North Division St., Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Consultations free and confidential, from 9 in the morning to 7 at night, every day but Sunday.
 No nervous. They hurt the head.
 Keep your head clear.
 No Mechanical Treatment.
 No unnecessary surgical operations.
 Keep whole. You will live longer and be happier. Make one call if possible.

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 Between the ring of GOLD and the ring of COUNTERFEIT COIN,
 Can you tell the difference?
 The one arousing SUSPICION, the other CLEAR and MELODIOUS like only the true ring of GOLD can be. It is like our advertisements. Whatever we say you can depend on!
 It has the Golden Ring of Truth
 —THAT'S—
 Stamped on Every Word We Say.
 Our Holiday attractions are unusually attractive—and what we have is so very appropriate from a Lady to a Gentleman.



HOW THEY DO GO!

Children's Suits at 25 Per Cent Discount or One-Fourth Off.
 Three more weeks to sell them in and every one Must Be Sold.

750 CHILDREN'S SUITS, SIZES FROM 4 TO 14 YEARS, IN PRICES FROM \$2.00 TO \$10.00,
 In Satinets, Cassimeres, Worsteds, Jersey and Kilt Suits.

Also 100 Dozen of Children's Shirt and Blouse Waists all Go the Same.
25 Per Cent Discount, or One-Fourth Off

Vander Werp, Benjamin Bros. & Co. 84 Monroe Street.

Christmas and New Years are fast drawing near. With pleasure and frolic and words of good cheer; Many a pair of small stockings will hang, Tin horns and toy pistols will sound with a bang; Turkey and stuffing and pudding and cake, Candy and raisins and hard stomach ache; And men with red noses and purses so flat, Who hold up four aces and beaten, at that; Sporting and gaming, they find it is dear, And they always "swear off" at the end of the year.

Santa Claus
 Is a large, pootly, bald-headed, long-whiskered old fellow, with a high forehead, a keen eye, a good judge of values and sound business sense. We had an immense trade with him one year ago, and he knows just as much this year as he did last, and so do we.

Merry Christmas
 Finds us with suitable, sensible, practical goods on hand for Christmas presents this year.

Easy Chairs, Easy Rockers, Ladies' Writing Desks, Book Cases, Sideboards, Beautiful Parlor Suits, Draperies, Sets, Toilet Sets, Tea and Dining Sets, Piano Stand and Hanging Lamps, Silverware, Glassware, Etc.,
 We shall put on the market this week
60 3-Piece Hardwood Bedroom Suits
 In Walnut, Antique, 16th Century and Natural Maple finish, good values at \$10.50, for
\$12.50

The difference, \$4, you can put in your stocking as a present from us.
 Many good things we have in our place. We can not mention, for space is so scarce. Our assortment is large and prices are low. We sell for cash, or on payments, you know. Old patrons and new we want to see here. Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year.
WINEGAR FURNITURE COMPANY,
 123 to 129 South Division St., 160 to 162 Cherry St.
 GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

The Star Clothing House Bazaar is now open. Christmas gifts for the thousands.

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| <p>WORK BOXES. 19 cents for Work Box with Scissors, Thimbles, etc. 59 cents for Push Box Work Box with Mirror, Scissors, Thimble, etc. 70c For larger Sizes, More Elaborate, very complete. \$1.59</p> | <p>MANICURE SETS. 98 cents. Oxidized Polished Scissors, etc. A Barzen. \$1.39. Push Box, same fitting as above and larger. 98 cents. White handled polished file, etc. Push box worth \$1.50.</p> | <p>Smoking Jackets. \$4.88. All Silk Smoking Jacket, Also Ladies cloth. \$5.98 Pretty Smoking Jacket made of fine Ladies' cloth. \$6.98 Fine Jacket, extra well made worth \$8.50. We are selling Smoking Jackets cheaper than any any house in the city.</p> | <p>TOILET SETS. 70 cents. Push Box white comb, brush and mirror. 90 cents. Very pretty white comb, brush, etc. worth \$1.30. \$1.49 to \$1.99 Very pretty and better mirror, brush, etc. Great bargains. \$2.98. Extra large, square mirror, brush, etc. in handsome push box, satin lined. \$3.50 to \$5.00. Extra good quality. NUT PICKS AND NUT CRACKERS. \$1.00 Push Box Nickel plated. Fined picks and crackers. \$2.75, same only large size.</p> | <p>BOYS' AND GIRLS' ILLUSTRATED BOOKS at nearly 1-2 price. 18 and 19c for Illustrated Books with heavy bound cover cloth binding. 22c, 25c and 29c Illustrated Books with 65, 75 and 100 pages. These retail for 50c. Only 22c, 25c and 29c. 39c, worth 75c. Robinson Crusoe, Anderson's Fairy Tales, Etc., containing 150 to 175 pages. 59c, worth \$1.00. George Washington Gift Book, Columbus Gift Book, White House Gift Book, etc., handsomely illustrated, with 175 to 214 pages.</p> |
| <p>Shaving Sets. \$1.00. Cap, Razor and Brush in push box. \$1.19 Embossed Velvet Box, \$1.19 Cap, Razor and Brush, \$1.69 very useful present. \$2.98 In Push Box, Satin lined, secret drawer containing cup, razor brush and scissors.</p> | <p>SMOKERS' SETS. 79 cents. Pipe, Cigar and Cigarette holder, 1 oval push box. \$1.29 Pipe, Cigar and Cigarette holder, also Match \$1.49 Box. \$1.98 Genuine Meerschaum Pipe, Cigar and Cigarette holder, box, etc.</p> | <p>GENTS' MUFFLERS. 75 cents. Black and White Cashmeres. 50 cents. Light and Dark colors, fine Cashmeres. 75 cents. All Silk Broadtail Muffler, worth \$1.00. \$1.00. All styles Silk and Cashmere Mufflers. \$1.00. Very pretty effects, handsomely breasted. \$2.00. A Bargain. Has been reduced from \$7.50.</p> | <p>STAR CLOTHING HOUSE. Has a better assortment of Holiday Presents, and very useful and suitable and at lower prices than you can buy the same goods for anywhere in the city. Merchants think as Christmas comes but once a year that they ought to charge enormous profits. We don't believe in this at all; we think a fair profit is what we ought to have.</p> | <p>12 mo. Cloth Covered Books 13c. Regular 50c books, by the following authors: Elliot, Lyall, Scott, Dickens.</p> |
| <p>Jewelry Boxes. 79 cents and \$1.00. Push Box, satin lined, with compartments. \$1.39, \$1.50 and \$1.98. Push Box with Marble Tray.</p> | <p>Handkerchief Boxes. 79 cents. Embossed Velvet Box, satin lined. \$1.19. Silk Push Box, satin lined.</p> | <p>Ladies Shopping Bags. 30c, 50c, 70c, \$1.00 All of these have been reduced 25 per cent.</p> | <p>COLLAR & CUFF BOXES. Combined Push and Leather. 75 cents. One of Embossed Velvet. \$1.00. Pebble Goat and Russia Leather. \$1.25. Embossed Leather, satin lined. \$1.75. Embossed Leather with jewel case; also at \$2.45, extra line.</p> | <p>Gents' Traveling Com-pansions. Containing Comb, Brush, Tooth and Nail Brush. Only 79 cents. Trimmings as above, in side leather case. \$1.00. Black Grain Leather, Brush, etc. \$1.19. Side Leather case with side brush, brush, etc. Also at \$2.45 and \$3.00.</p> |
| <p>JUVENILE. 49c—Ink Trays—49c With Ink Bottle, Pen Box, Stamp Box, only 49 Cents.</p> | <p>Kid Gloves. A SPECIAL BARGAIN In a Kid Glove All Shades only 50 cents. Also at 75c \$1, \$1.50 and \$2</p> | <p>Special Neck Tie Sale. 100 Dozen Handsome Satin 4 1/2 Hand Scarfs 1 Doz Scarfs 1 Doz Scarfs</p> | <p>STATIONERY 1c. Box containing 12 sheets of paper and envelopes. 9c, worth 20c. Box containing 24 sheets of paper and envelopes; also 25c worth 50c. Tablets at nearly 1/2 price.</p> | <p>Great Bargains in Umbrellas.</p> |

Special Notice! Greatest Shoe Sale in the History of Grand Rapids!

Having received the balance of the Large Shoe Stock of Foreman & Kilpatrick, retail dealers of the East, we will sell part on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, AT
M. EHRMAN'S SHOE STORE, 69 CANAL STREET.

Remember for this day only, FRIDAY, DEC. 11. The stock comprises the following goods which will be sold this day:
 A Lot of Child's Kid Button Shoes, sizes from 2 to 5, will be sold at 8c, worth 40c. SPECIAL BARGAIN.
 Ten Cases Child's Best Boston Rubbers, sizes from 8 to 10 1/2, will be sold at 9c, worth 35c. Just think!
 Three Cases Men's Rubbers Boots, all sizes, 6 to 10, will be sold at \$1.47, cheap at \$2.50. Don't miss getting a pair.
 213 Pairs Women's Kid Button Shoes, in C and D lasts only. Any style toe or heel. All sizes. You can buy at 83c a splendid shoe and a bargain.
 A Few Sizes Only of Children's Kid Button Shoes, with heel and patent tip, 11 to 2, you can buy at 72c, worth \$1.75. Dirt cheap.

Numerous other goods in the same proportion. Remember this Great Sale is for One Day Only, FRIDAY, DEC. 11, at
M. EHRMAN'S SHOE STORE, 69 CANAL STREET.
 SALE BEGINS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, AT 8 O'CLOCK A. M.