Tuelph Evening Mercury

MONDAY EV'NG, APRIL 6, 1874. Trade and Trade Prospects in the States.

There is no denying the fact that at present there is great depression in all that pertains to the commer-cial and industrial interests in the united States. This is partly at-tributabled to the unsettled condition of the finances, and the uncertainty with regard to the action of Congress on the currency question, but other forces have largely operated in bringing about the present state of business inactivity and depres-sion. Most of the leading papers on the other side of the lines unite in the opinion that this uztoward state of things springs from the reaction which inevitably follows overtrading and excessive speculation. Fevers are followed by prostration. It is in quietude that the patient recovers his strength. Dullness of business is the consequence of undue inactivity, and naturally succeeds the panic which inordinate speculation

At a meeting held in New York last week to consider the proposed action of Congress in increasing the volume of the currency, one of the speakers—a merchant of over thirty years' standing in New York—told his fellow traders some plain truths which in a sense are just as appli which in a sense are just as applicable to the people in Canada as in the States, and both would do well to take heed to his advice. He said:—"When the crash came, six months ago, the meaning of it was perfectly understood by everybody, and for a while it was taken for granted that the intelligence and integrity of the American people could be trusted to deal with it in an honest way. It was also confidently predicted that the year 1874 would be memorable in history as the dividing line between a long epoch of restless gambling and the gradual but sure return of solid prosperity throughout our whole country. Three months of the new year have passed away, and what now? Disappointment, distrust, and perplexity are visible on all sides, and in all our streets, save in the highways of Jay Gould and his followers. We are now about to readjust things. We have either to re-establish the fictitious values, to support the wild ventures, and reinforce the scandalous spirit of gambling which raged at its climax last year, by a new inflation of our currency, or we have to lay new foundations, and call upon the people of this country to go to work, that we may earn more than we spend, and save something for capital. The whole country has been produgal and wasteful. We spend, and save something for capital. The whole country has been produgal and wasteful. We have riotously squandered our inheritance of honest thrift and enterprise, and we have come to grief through our own folly and madness. For every twenty shillings earned we have, for years past, spent at least twenty-one—and that is always ruin. It is not merchants and rail. For every twenty shillings earned we have, for years past, spent at least twenty-one—and that is always ruin. It is not merchants and rail. For every twenty shillings earned we have, for years past, spent at least twenty-one—and that is always ruin. It is not merchants and rail. For every twenty shillings earned whence the producers more than the farmers have done the same. We boast of our great cro cable to the people in Canada as in the States, and both would do well

RE-ARRANGEMENT OF OFFICES .- The Globe announces that the re-arrangement of Officers, talked of at the time Mr. Fraser entered the Ontario

Bruce John Bruce John Bruns Mrs L Byres Miss L Cabinet, has now been effected. The duties of Minister of Agriculture have been transferred from the Pubhe Works Commissioner to the Secretary, and the charge of the Asylums and Prisons, hitherto belonging to the ecretary, will be undertaken by the Treasurer. Under the new arrange-ment Hon. Mr. McKellar becomes Provincial Secretary and Commis-sioner of Agriculture, and the Hon Mr. Fraser Commissioner of Public Works. The work will now be more evenly divided, and will consequently be better done.

WEST DURHAM. - The voting in West Durham took place on Saturlay, when Mr. Burke, the Reform caudidate, was elected by a majority froker Mr A fricker Miss M of 253 This majority is considered a large one, as the contest was between two local men. West Durham dimer dimer defined the first Mr A fright Mr a large one, as the contest was be-tween two local men. West Durham has always been a staunch Reform onstituency, and it has again sus tained its character. There were great rejoicings in the Riding when the result was known, and Mr. Burke was escorted to his residence in Dar-lington by a large crowd of people.

THE Riel question continues to be he general subject of conversation in Ottawa. A rumour was current to day that he had resigned his seat, but it is understood to be without undation. It is stated on the other hand, that he will appear in his seat on Wednesday, but that is also de-nied in some quarters.

The news from Spain is still of a

belligerent character. Marshal Serano is reorganizing the force under is command, and the Carlists are trengthening their position. ody of 600 Republicans is said to ave been surprised by the Royalists a short distance from Barcelona and, without resistance, taken prisoners. The St Catherines News is inform-ed by Mr. McKellar that the Mail

nd Journal have afforded him the irst and only intimation that the Superintendency of the Welland Canal is to be conferred upon him. le has neither asked for nor desired he position. So that is another is nailed.

RIGHT OF WAY.—Under the proof the General Railway Act the

Is IT WICKED TO DANCE?—The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher makes this sensi-ble reply in the Christian Union to a ery as whether it was wicked to dance query as whether it was wicked to dance:
"It is wicked when it is wicked, and now wicked when it is not wieked. In itself it has no more moral character than walking, wrestling, or rowing. Bad company, untimely hours, evil dances, may make the exercises evil; good company, wholesome hours, and home influences may make it a very great benefit."

McNaughton—On the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. Malcolm McNaughton, Puslinch, of

a daughter.

BALK—In Eramosa, on the ist inst, the
wife of Mr. Stephen Beals, of a son—still
born.

CQUARNE—In Nichol, on the 22nd uit, the
wife of Mr. Alex. McQuarrie, of a daughter.

COVD — In Mount Forest, on the 28th
March, the wife of Dr. Ecroyd, of a
daughter.

of Mr. Wm. Young, aged 24 Years and to months.
STEPHENSON—In Elora, on the 24th ult,, Waiter Hopgood, son of S. E. Stephenson, aged 5 months and 2 weeks.
SCOTT—In Listowel, on the 23rd ult, the wife of Rev. J. Scott, aged 21 years.
OLIVER—In Gait, on the 31st ult, the wife of Mr. A. Oliver, of Gait, and sister of T. Biggar, Eaq., of Blora.
MILLS—In Maryboro, on the 30th ult., of inflammation, Mr. Arthur Mills, 4th con.
STRACHAN—In Elora, on the 30th ult., Jane Barrou, the beloved wife of Mr. Wm.
Strachan, aged 70 years.

List of Letters

R EMAINING in the Guelph Post Of-fice on the 1st of April, 1874.

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Venerable Mary A
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Wallon Wm

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DAY

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Golds, Satins, Grounds, Marble, Oak,

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Cheap Bookstore,

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GOLDEN AND AMBER

SYRUP

JOHN A. WOOD'S

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THE FINEST GOODS

MANUFACTURED IN CANADA

MADE FROM AMERICAN PATTERNS.

CALL AND SEE THEM.

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In the Latest English and American Styles.

OUR DRESS DEPARTMENT

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Well Made and Fashionably Cut

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1874

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Goods Suitable for the Season CONSISTING OF

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Hats, Caps, Shirts, Collars, Ties, etc. etc. JAMES CORMACK. In great variety. Guelph, March 21, 1873.

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FALL WHEAT FLOUR

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Delivered free to any part of the Town.

REMOVAL.

HAM CURER,

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Also, a fine lot of small Pork for Roasts.
Guelph, March 20, 1874. dwli

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EASY TERMS OF PAYMENT

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Stationery and School Books, Wall Paper, very cheap; also, Window Blinds.

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ROBERTSON BROS., Guelph, Feb. 19, 1874.

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