DURHAM CHRONICLE

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In another column we give a despatch from Toronto, announcing the death of the Hon. A. S. Hardy, a gentleman whose life for the past quarter of a century has been inseparably interwoven with Ontario politics, and the Premier of the Proviuce from the resignation of Sir Oliver Mowat until 1899 when illfrom public life a comparatively report a pleasant time. poor man. During the latter years of Sir Oliver Mowat's premiership, he was regarded as a leading figure in Ontario politics, and as the strongest man of the Liberal party the mantle of Sir Oliver fell on the shoulders of the deceased gentleman whose death the whole province now mourns, irrespective of their political leanings.

and though we do not claim credit Hugh McDonald, one day last week. for originating anything new, we believe our references of late to the ther, Johnnie, were visiting their abnormally high prices demanded for unimproved property has caused some to think the matter over and our opinion is considered sound by the intelligent portion of the community. To put a fair and equitable value on all vacant properties is certainly a difficult problem, but if the value is based on the owners estimate he has surely no ground for complaint. We always have held. and still hold the opinion that a man owning unimproved property and holding it at a prohibitive price to holidays. intending purchasers is a detriment to the progress of the town in which he lives and should be made to pay in some way into the town treasury. Let the agitation go on. Many a place has remained stagnant through the greed of obstructionists.

Speaking of the huge Ottawa expenditures the Winnipeg Tribune his leg. It is doing well. (Lib) says: ' To us it seems to be a more heinous crime for Liberals to do wrong than it was for Tories to do it, for, for twenty years we had the highest ideals held up before us by our leader, and we were educated to regard as reprehensive any line of public conduct which would not conform to those ethics, Is there a man of seuse who doubts that if the Conservatives were in power at present and had proposed the same estimates that were voted last session, that the halls of Parliament-aye, and of every hamlet in the Dominion, direction of the wind, S. W. to would not be made to ring with the W., raw and blustering. denunciations of the Cartwrights. speaking, be out of court for many eastern Assiniboia. years to come."

the province by the Ontario Legisla- completed by the 20th of the month. Nicolas and have much better houses. ture will come up for discussion. That the county commissioners are going to ignore the opportunity of taking what they can get for the finished by the 23rd of May, and the There are scarcely any cattle or purpose of road improvement is an blade was well up by the 30th. horses, and very few caribous, these idea we do not for a moment enter- Medicine Hat reports that crops were having been driven off by the insurgtain, but where the money can be expended to the best advantage to all is a problem for the Council to consider. We know perfectly well that every man would like a large slice of the grant expended in front of his own farm, but as Mr. Kells points out we are equally well aware that the nearer we come to a town or village the greater will be the traffic on such road, and therfore the greater will be the necessity for expenditure. In view of such a "windton said before, and give it as our orchards were in full bloom.

Ways.

GLENROADEN.

A young man from Bentinck was visiting at Mr. John Quinn's one day last week, and the bright, sparkling water of the Saugeen induced him to go fishing. After waiting, as fisher- letter of March 10th to-day, and was phins, sharks, flying-fish, and in fact men generally have to do, he got a really surprised to hear from you nearly every kind fish immaginable.

The village Dr. had to cut it out. Messrs Traynor and Laidlaw were up here taking measurements as to the amount of water flowing down

THURSDAY.

the river. can hear them in the distance; more

A number of our villagers were health caused him to give up the visiting at Mr. John Collinson's near reius of government, and retire Aberdeen one evening last week and

Glenroaden pic-nic on June 22nd. A good time is the order of things. mises to be above the average.

It is reported here that 300 men are to start work on the mammoth dam at Hayward's Falls next week. So much for rumor, it may not be whole letter than to know that Dur- ably warm. From two to six in the

Mr. James Hopkirk, of Bentinck, The tax question is not dead yet, was visiting his sister, Mrs Miss K. McDonald and her brograndmother, Mrs. Hopkirk, of Bentinck, for a few days last week.

Mr. Allan Boyd is thinking of turning over a new leaf and settling no person can be prosperous in busi- distance from here, and although cut down to work.

last week looking hale and hearty. ham now on some dark night I would hip and arm, the bone being partially He says some of the other young have difficulty in finding my way. damaged. A runner from Oslobe is men are getting the start of him as When I get back I know I shall be a repoted missing and it is thought he they are now doubled-up.

onto for a few weeks well earned over here I shall want to do it in Generals Luga and Gardinas are

Mr. Wm. Kingston is on the way path lately, some cattle running at large contrary to statutes, have been breaking into his crops.

Mr. John Richardson, of Paisley, declared. was visiting his niece, Mrs. Thomas Wilson, of this place.

Dan, son of Mr. D. McGillivray, got tangled in Wm. Morrison's bart wire fence. Result, a nasty cut on

WEATHER BULLITEN.

1901	For w	reek ending J	une 7,	1901.	
June	TEMPERATURE.				
	1	Max.	53	Min.	38
11	12	**	63	••	37
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**	5	**	70	**	60
	6		60	**	51
	7		54	**	37
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Rainfall for the week, .64 in

While the temperature in Ontario the Mulocks, the McMullens, and the was considerably below the average be a Jack-of-all trades, but as rest of the old guard? But we look during the month of May, especially in vain for any indignant repudia- during the latter part of it, in Manition on the part of Liberal 'states- toba and the North West Territories men' of the colossal expenditures it was from six to ten degrees above already made and proposed. Sir the average, but, falling, westward Richard complacently excuses the to the Pacific Coast as well as eastvast expenditures on the ground that | ward to the Atlantic. The rainfall they are 'generous donations for the also during the month of May, alpurposes of development.' Should though in excess of the average in the 10th of April we got orders to the present 'Liberal' Government the North West Territories, Ontario have the misfortune to be defeated and the lower provinces was some at an early date it will, politically what dificient in Manitoba an

In British Columbia, although the season is fully two weeks later than usual, the crops are reported as never The County Council meets in Mark- looking better. Fall wheat promises dale this week, and in conversation a large yield, and the fruit crop, with Mr. Thos. Kells, of Vandeleur, although somewhat retarded by the an old and well-informed Councillor, | early frosts, appears to have recoverwe learn that the disposition of the ed itself and now promises well. Filipinos. They seem to be more inportion of the million dollar grant to Seeding began on the second and was dustrious here than in Cebu or San

seeding was delayed on heavy lands running in squares equal distances by the rains, but nevertheless were apart and kept scrupulously clean. never more promising, and Edmon- ents and Ladrones. Of late these ton, that owing to the very favorabe latter have been making themselves weather prevailing in May, the crops hateful towards the resident populaare making splendid progress.

was finished by the 18th of May, thieving habits, and gradually turnsmall fruits in blossom early in the ing over to the Americans, who pay month, and flowering shrubs and for all they get and together make plants out before the end of the themselves more agreeable. The month, yet growth is now somewhat chief man here, the President, seems retarded and rain is much needed.

In the Lower Provinces fair and enlightened than the rest, and, speakfall" we hope the wisest possible foul days were about equally divided ing Spanish. I haven't much diffidistribution of funds will be made last month, but the temperature and and the proposed expenditure of a the rainfall were above the average, million dollars a year over the pro. so that vegetation is well forward vince will be felt and appreciated by and much in advance of ordinary seaevery one, irrespective of the parti- sons. Seeding was finished early in cular locality in which he may hap- the month, blue violets in flower by Chinos as we call them) in the town, pen to be living. In regard to roa! the 7th, and by the middle of the making we may repeat what we of month the apple, plum and cherry

conviction that a mile of permanent In Ontario and Quebec, as already road is better than ten miles of patch stated, the early part of the month work, that will need the same was rainy, and marked by an absence amount of patching every year as of sunshine, Still farm work made the seasons roll round. The expendi- rapid progress, and especially in the than Cebu, being situated on the exture of the funds, in our opinion, northern portions of both provinces treme Southern end of the island, should te for permanent construc- where the temperature was above and getting most of the breeze that tion independent of the hives from the average, the crops are more for- comes from the Southern Seas. We which votes are to be secured at the | ward than they usually are at this | have a fine swimming place here, and next election. This, however, is not season of the year, and promises I enjoy myself pretty well. The the principle by which our commis- well. From the southern and south bottom is nice and sandy and as level sioners are actuated, and with an in- eastern countles of Ontario, the re- as a floor when you go out a few creased power at their command we ports are not quite so favorable as to yards. As there is no land between

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Dalaguete, Cebu, P. I. April 24th, 1901.

My DEAR FATHER, -I received your ocean you can see all kinds of dolbite, and after several efforts to land after your long silence, but as I re- The people here seem to be more his fishship, the hook lost its hold

I am pleased to hear that my let- long I expect we will be overrun ters are appreciated, but don't you with them, for they are the greatest Wedding bells are ringing. We think I will get a little swell-headed, nuisance any person can imagine if you tell me so? Why I picked up when they get acquainted. The a paper the other day, and saw where President asked for troops to be Mr. Bone, of Beardsley, N. D., was stationed here, as the insurgents enquiring for me. Well, I got so were preparing to attack them. big-headed. I nearly died. So you Everyone has taken the oath of alhad better be a little careful about legiance and we will have no trouble how you send me compliments or from the city folk. We have one Uncle Sam will be minus a soldier. post, and, there being fifteen of us That would not be of much account for duty, we will get four nights in Crops are looking well in this to him, he would sooner lose a sol- bed. neighborhood. The late rains have dier than a mule, (over here a soldier It is very hot here now, and, in renewed the hay crop which pro- is valued at \$300 and a mule at \$1,000) the middle of the day, it is almost but I should like, for my own sake, impossible to move around. The to stay on this footstool a little long- only time you can enjoy yourself is

ham is rapidly coming to the front morning are the coolest hours and a among the leading towns of Canada blanket comes in very handy. in the business line. In almost | As we have a telegraph office here, every paper I get, I see some new we are not so badly off as we might be advertisement, somebody starting in |yet being sixty miles from Cebu, we business, and best of all where some are pretty well out of any kind of one has paid his "sub." in full for civilization. Our rations come up in the CHRONICLE, and has received the a boat and we get rations for thirty "Canadian Annual," the greatest of days at a time, illustrated magazines, without which ness ventures or rest well at nights. up pretty badly I think he will re-Mr. Mike Kenny arrived home I suppose if I were to drop into Dur- cover. He has two bad cuts on the regular heathen, as I have been so was captured by insurgents. We re-Miss Vic. Banks is home from Tor- used to taking the middle of the road ceived a message last night that Durham. We have no sidewalks of marching on us from Carcao. As any account, and even if we did, a vet we have heard nothing from them soldier has to keep his eyes open, or I can tell you we kept our eyes open. he may get a knife in his ribs to re- With our guns loaded and a good mind him that the people here have guard on, I think we can give a good no use for him and peace is not yet account of ourselves.

e pretty well deserted now since C. McArthur. The Big 4 and several others moved their stores like to work there if I forget all about down town. I hope that piece of cement sidewalk in front of the Knapp House I broke my back over is standing the weather yet. wouldn't like it to play out as I sweat and toiled something awful there for a couple of weeks and once or twice I came near expressing myself in a manner that wouldn't look very nice on paper. Well I got the 'sack or "G. B." then got a job in a brickvard (worse yet) then in the circus, then another brick yard, the railroad and last of all the army. This last Hours of sunshine, 36 8. General one seems to be the best job of all, for just think of it, I haven't put my hand to a tap of work for nearly two years. If I could only get my discharge and go sailing I would nearly won't get my papers until a year from next 20th of May there is no use of building castles in the air for who knows what may happen in a

As you see by the heading we are not in San Nicolas any more. On pack up and prepare to move on or about the 25th. At first we were to garrison three towns, but later on the order was changed and now we garrison four as follows: Headquarters at Argon, and detachments at Sibonga, here at Dalaguete, and can consider myself lucky. This is one of the finest places I have yet seen, the people being better off financially and with seemingly more intelligence than the majority of In the North West Territories The town is well laid out, the streets tlon, and it is not to be wondered But, in Manitoba, though seeding that they are getting tired of their to be a very nice old gentleman, more culty in carrying on a broken con-

versation with him. The Padre, too, seems pretty nice, but we trust no one except our rifles. There are about one hundred Chinamen, (or and they, of course, have the greater part of the money. The way they rob and cheat these people is something ridiculous, but they are pretty good to the soldiers, who will stand no fooling whatever.

Dalaguete is a much cooler place hope ere long to see a vast improve- roots, clover and fruit, but the recent here and South America, there is ment in all our leading public high- brightening up of the weather will, quite a surf and a person can enjoy no doubt, have a favorable influence. himself tossing about on the waves.

The water is clear and there are no sharks or dangerous fish near the shore, so I don't think you will ever hear of my getting chewed up. In the channel and further out in the

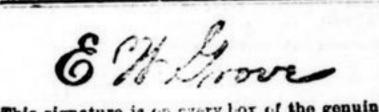
ceive the CHRORICLE pretty regularly, friendly than those in San Nicolas or and landed in the seat of his pants. I will forgive you this time, but if it Cebu. Of course they are rather shy happens again, I shall have you tried yet, as the soldiers have not been by a general court-martialed and stationed here a month. This wil sent down for a long term of years. soon wear off though, and before

for three or four hours in the even Nothing pleased me more in your ing, and even then it is uncomfort-

There was a native boloed a short

Well, I hope Durham will get the By the way, Upper Town must Cement Works running all right; for I can tell you I am going back some time to settle down and might printing. But I must say, that being half way around the world, if chances prove satisfactory, I must see the other half, if I die in the attempt; and if a tropical climate and Mauser bullets cannot foze me, I do not think a boat ride around South Africa can do me any harm.

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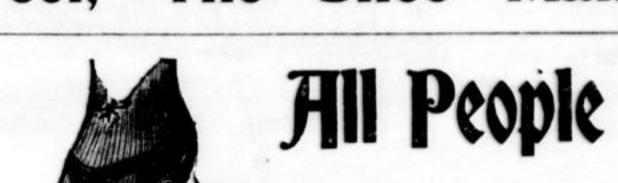
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