

mouldy, while others through the absent-mindedness of heart-stricken probationers were never addressed, with the result that the post offices were soon flooded with a large number of dead-letters. In despair his Majesty called upon the present Government to save the situation from irretrievable ruin. Messages were sent throughout the realm in search of a man of the highest reputation. Their labors have been rewarded and tonight we have at the head of the mail department the Hon. Mr. Hie. In one thing only is he deficient. As the official carrier of His Majesty's mail he has been found to be too high while not sufficiently lengthy, so that a bill will be brought down for your consideration requiring this occupant of the Opposition's Bench to forthwith exchange his pedal extremities for a more suitable pair now in possession of a clerk in Don Bleeker's Pharmacy.

Never in the history of the present country have the various lines of public works been carried out on such an extensive scale as at the present. At an immense cost a large gang of two men has been engaged during the summer in excavating a tunnel of great size in order to drain the land now occupied by the tennis courts. The water thus carried off will be used in irrigating the 1000's of acres about the college, so that on the following year there may be a sufficient number of squash and pumpkins grown to fill the yawning chasms at the coon table with one feed of pie.

Again the students of this institution have experienced the greatest difficulty in getting to the railway station in time, by the present circuitous route that they are obliged to take. After considerable time had been spent in negotiating with the tribes of Thorold, our honorable representative by his diplomacy at length succeeded in getting the people of that borough to co-operate with the present Government in the building of a second bridge. Already the piers have been built and soon a structure that will rival the mighty Quebec Bridge will be spanning the turbulent Moira River.

Realizing that the key of a nation's power lies in her sturdy class of yeomen, the Government has made many notable changes and valuable improvements in the Department of Agriculture. Tonight we have only to look northward for an example of the present Government's enterprise. The barn at Guelph Agricultural College, yea, even Dryden's massive straw shed can only be likened to chicken coops in comparison with the model barn which we have just erected to the north of the present buildings. Nothing that the genius of man could devise was overlooked in the construction of that spacious building. From cellar to garret, every nail is guaranteed to be rat proof while the thick walls will prevent the cold from escaping in the most rigorous weather. For years the work of raising chickens was seriously hampered by the repeated attacks of midnight marauders. Whole flocks of chickens and ducks have been known to