

The City population, on the other hand, increased by 1,000,000 in the same 40 years, as follows:—

City Population, Ontario 1871	313,336
City Population, Ontario 1911	1,328,489

Increase in 40 years..... 1,015,043

It was in view of this serious decrease in the rural population and the consequent difficulty in obtaining farm labor that the Liberals agitated for the appointment of an investigating Commission.

We cannot go to a better place than Denmark to find out what Agricultural education has done. The area of Denmark is 15,000 sq. miles and the population 2,800,000 of whom 61 per cent. are on the land. Denmark has made rapid strides in agriculture and it has been through the schools that this notable advance has been made. In these agricultural schools the farmers are taught to make butter and other things. In 1904 Denmark exported in bacon, butter and eggs \$68,000,000, and in 1912 \$125,000,000, so that by encouraging a system of schools that suited the conditions in Denmark, they had been enabled to increase their output to a considerable degree. Co-operation has been more successful in Denmark than in almost any other country, and those who are in charge of education in Denmark state that the reason of such success was because the young farmers met together in these schools, had confidence in one another and worked in co-operation.

An analysis of the Public Accounts shows that the expenditures under the present Government for Agriculture have increased manifold without any corresponding result. No one complains about the expenditure of money for Agricultural and Educational purposes, but they do complain because of the lack of results. It is apparent that the fault lies with the present Government, which has refused to adopt an intelligent and enlightened policy with regard to Agriculture, and not with the Opposition, which has persistently urged an advanced policy upon the Government. The blame should be laid at the door of the present Government, where it belongs; but it is unfair that the present Agricultural movement should be directed against the Opposition, which has shown itself the consistent and steadfast friend of the farmer in the Province of Ontario.

Year after year the divisions of the Legislature show that the present members of the Opposition have stood together in support of the interests of Agriculture. They are entitled to the support of every farmer in the Province of Ontario. In con-