

done anything yet? They should tackle the new postmaster general and give him something to work on.

NOTE.—The committee on postage have lost no time. Parliament only can deal with the matter, the postmaster general can of himself do nothing. It is the intention of the committee to interview him with the view of getting him, if possible, to introduce the change when Parliament meets. Too long in advance would not be wise.

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