

He further admitted that he had made a mistake in the number of marks credited to the pupil at Vernon to whom the medal had been assigned. He said that pupil should have been credited with five marks more than the other pupil who had been in the first list given out as equal to him; but not named as a medalist. This amended list also was at once challenged. It was pointed out that at Chilliwack as at Vernon there were two head pupils with equal marks and only one named as medalist. The Superintendent then had again to admit that another mistake had been made either about the marks or the medalist. The correction is made in the Schools Report where it is stated that two medals were given at Chilliwack in 1909.

How can the people be sure that they are getting the truth from such a Department?

#### **IGNORANCE OR LYING**

Q.—Is it the intention of the Department to publish a notice in future Annual Schools Reports calling attention to the unreliability of the Inspectors' detailed reports as published in former Annual Reports?

A.—The Department does not admit unreliability in the case of Inspectors' Reports.

Q.—Did Inspector Wilson state in his report of his visit to the Crofton school on March 22, 1906: "Teacher working hard to secure improvement?"

A.—Yes.

Q.—Does the Public Schools Report for that school year state that the teacher during that school year was R. Offerhaus?

A.—R. Offerhaus PRESUMABLY taught at Crofton a PART of the school year 1905-06. Inspector Wilson reported that Miss Olive Randle was in charge when he inspected the school on March 22, 1906.

Q.—Was not R. Offerhaus dead and buried some time in November, 1905?

A.—The Department does not know.