

refusing recognition to the third. Many competent critics regard the Canada Publishing Company's Readers in no respect inferior to the others. They have been prepared by a syndicate of experienced Canadian teachers and inspectors; they have been printed and published in Canada, and, for these reasons, they deserve fair treatment from the authorities. To delay recognition is, we repeat, only to intensify the evils that have recently cropped up in our educational system.

GRIP AND THE RIVAL READERS.

OUR facetious contemporary *Grip*, who by the way is generally right upon educational matters, thus hits off the Reader situation in lively fashion. A small boy of rueful countenance and with arms full of books on which may be seen "Royal," "Canadian," and other familiar battle cries, is put on by the teacher to read before the school visitor who happens this time to be no less a personage than the Minister of Education. Thereupon the following dialogue takes place:—

Pedagogue.—Now, Johnny, I want you to read for this gentleman—the Minister of Education.

Johnny.—Yessir. But wot Reader shall I read out of?

And Mr. Grip, adds a little homily to his cartoon, the burden of which is—confusion worse confounded.

Very well, Mr. Grip, *maître virtute!* your moral is good, but your picture might be better. Next time, pray, do not make your typical teacher a hydrocephalous, blue-eyed, bandy-legged, ill-conditioned, under-bred-looking fellow, got up in mediæval costume. This, look you, friend, is not a true type of teachers now-a-days. There are very many of them, just as large a proportion as in other professions, gentlemen both in reality and appearance; and there is not one of them, mark you, who is ambitious to be, and very few who deserve to be, called by that odious word—pedagogue.

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