

By sec. 3 of his bill he provides that no teacher is to be employed or permitted to teach unless he is capable of speaking the English language. Another case of petty larceny, as the following Regulation of the Education Department passed in 1885 provided for an examination in English and covers the same ground.

155. In addition to the examination conducted in the French or the German language, every candidate for a teacher's certificate shall be required to pass such examinations in English grammar and in translation from French or German into English, as may be prescribed by the Board of Examiners.

By sec. 4 of his bill the teacher may use any language understood by the pupils in imparting instruction in all cases where the pupils do not understand English. This section was also stolen from the Regulations of the Department, and is strangely at variance with the statement made by the hon. gentleman last year.

On the 9th of March, 1889, as reported by the *Empire*, he (Mr. Craig) said :—

"He had shown that the situation was a very serious one. Were they willing to have two languages in this Province? In the Public Schools of Ontario, if such were not the desire of the people, the English language *only* should be taught." * * * * * "He did not wish to speak a word against the French language, but as this was essentially an English speaking Province, they *could only have one language* in their Public Schools. That was the *great proposition* which he wished to lay down."

What has become of the GREAT proposition laid down by the hon. gentleman last year? It has vanished into thin air.

By sec. 6, the teacher who violated the provisions of the hon. gentleman's bill, should it become law, is to be dismissed apparently without judge or jury. This clause was not stolen from the regulations of the Department. By sec. 7 the use of French is to be allowed for one hour per day until Parliament enacts otherwise. So we are going to postpone the great panacea of the hon. gentleman for making us a united people until Parliament gets ready. Why such procrastination. By sec. 8 the privilege of using the French language in the instruction of pupils who know no English is to be withdrawn absolutely, in case the provisions of the hon. gentleman's bill are wilfully violated. If a teacher violated this section the children would be deprived of instruction in French altogether, and consequently would not be taught at all. He would visit upon the heads of the children, not the sins of their fathers—that would be according to Scripture—but the sins of the Board of Trustees. Such a measure could not be passed