

Since the last issue of the "Wawa" has been prepared, one gold medal, two bronze ones, and a silver palm have been received from Monthlery in France, where a *Concours* of Shorthand took place last May, and where a set of the "Wawa" and a few compositions from our Indians attracted much attention and interest. The gold medal is awarded to the Editor of the "Wawa," the silver palm, to the first contributor of reading matter for its pages, who is no other than His Lordship, Rt. Rev. P. Duried, of New Westminster. The two bronze medals to Miss Caroline Falardeau of Kamloops, and Jamie Michel of Quilchena.

Another gold medal had been awarded to the "Wawa" as early as January, 1894, but has not been received yet, owing to the difficulty of sending such articles through the French mail. This medal was awarded in Paris by a society for the diffusion of shorthand, of which Mr. Richardet, 10 Rue Belle chasse, is the president.

A silver medal, with a diploma of honor for the Editor of the "Wawa," and another diploma for his Indian pupils was awarded last October by the "Shorthand Exposition of Nancy."

Our Kamloops Indians have sent over 100 compositions for the "Shorthand Exhibition and *Concours* of Roubaix, Nord, France, which is open from January till May, 1897.

Besides, 50 postcards taken at random from our collection, have been sent to the same exhibition, where they cannot fail to attract the attention of European stenographers. These have been written by Indians from all parts of British Columbia, and are mostly in a very correct shorthand writing.

Our shorthand is going to be represented also in the exhibition which is going to take place in

Montreal next spring and summer. A number of Indians intend sending in their compositions.

Page 20 and 21 of this issue are the beginning of a new method of explaining the Wawa Shorthand system. In fact the method followed in these pages and in those of the following issues is the shortest one for learning shorthand. By it the pupil or reader is insensibly made familiar with all the elements and rules of the Wawa shorthand.

Page 22 has a continuation of the shorthand reading or exercise book which has been published in the "Wawa" page after page since July, 1896.

Page 23 is entirely in French, and will no doubt be very much appreciated by our French Stenographers. That page alone contains as much as the whole number of the Wawa of 16 pages, if it were all printed in typography.

Page 24 gives the monthly news to our Indians in Chinook. This number contains a new hymn in Shushwap, which was learned at Kamloops during the Christmas meeting.

Pages 25 and 26 are the continuation of the Early Church History in the forms of tracts of lives of Saints etc, which we are publishing in Chinook for the benefit of our Indians.

Page 27 is a continuation of the History of Our Lady of Lourdes by Father Le Jacq.

Pages 28 and 29 is a directory for the Indians, showing what hymns and prayers they can use on such and such occasion.

See advertisement on last page of the covers.

If you want to have a specimen of fine Shorthand print, as well as a curious, and interesting prayer book used by Indians, send for a copy of the English-Chinook Manual, 192 pages, paper cover, 50 cents.