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With the present issue ends the sixth volume of Kamloops Wawa. The six volumes constitute already a valuable library for our Indians as well as for those who take interest in our missions, or in the study and progress of our system of shorthand. A Bible history, containing the history of the old and New Testament has been published in the successive numbers of the Wawa; a series of lives of saints corresponding with the history of the church has been begun. A number of other interesting articles have been issued, such as *Our Lady of Lourdes*, *The Holy House of Nazareth*, *The Apparition at La Salette*, *The Boy Martyrs*, *The Martyrs of the Amphitheatre*, etc. The Wawa shorthand, adopted to English, has been explained in full and numerous exercises have been added. Besides subscribers to the Wawa over one thousand Instructors have been circulated throughout Canada and the United States during the last twelve months. A new edition of the Instructor, complete with exercises is in contemplation.

Many thanks to all who have encouraged us by their subscriptions. We trust they will continue in the future to enable us to pursue our work of instructing the Indians by means of the shorthand. There remains still a great deal to be done. We intend to complete first the lives of the saints and martyrs of the first century, then to continue with those of the second and third, etc., making the lives of

the saints to become as a history of the church. There are other works of which our Indians could be benefited as well, such as a translation of the *Think well on it*; explanations of the Catechism, etc. Prayer Books have just been issued in different Indian languages; it is now very desirable that studies, grammarlike, and vocabularies be prepared on each of those languages. Such are the outlines of our programme for the Wawa, 1898, etc., not forgetting the illustrations which render the paper more attractive to our Indian readers.

We have received, in exchange for the six volumes of the Wawa from 1892 to 1897, the corresponding volumes of the "*Missions d'Afrique des Peres Blancs*," for which exchange we are thankful to the Right Rev. Bishop Livinhac, from *Maison Carrie* near Algiers. It is very interesting for us to see how the work of God is carried on in Africa, and to compare our natives with the Negroes of the once "*Dark Continent*." We hope to profit by the above for the Wawa.

The venerated above mentioned Prelate has also sent us a grammar of the *Luyunda* language, which appears to be much more complicated than our Salish Languages, also of much easier pronunciation.

Next Year, 1898

Septuagesima Sunday falls,
February 6.

Ash Wednesday, February 23.

Easter Sunday, April 10.