

INTRODUCTION.



The system of Shorthand explained in these pages is the Duployan Shorthand, as pure as it has been possible to retain it for expressing the sounds of the English language. As has been said in a former issue of the "Kamloops Wawa," "an effort is here made to make our phonography read the same way exactly in English as in French, and so also for all other languages."

Our Indians in British Columbia, as soon as they can read the Chinook and their own language in shorthand, are also able to read English, Latin, or any other language figured in shorthand.

In the same manner, as soon as one is able to read and write English in this style of shorthand, he will find himself at once able to read and pronounce correctly French, German, or any other language, by which it can be seen that this shorthand is a most powerful means for learning languages. This needs only be tried to be proved to evidence.

Another object of this shorthand, which ought to make the primary one, is to assist in acquiring every kind of knowledge, even that of Grammar and Orthography, a hundred times quicker than through the common way. This question has been discussed at full length in the French Duployan Stenographic Press. It is sufficient to state that a pupil in this style of shorthand who does not know how to read, will learn to read English or any