

One Woman Wanted to Know If the Grand Canyon Was Open Sundays—"Fried Cupids."

Burton Holmes has been traveling in the summers and telling of his travels during the winters for a dozen years. During that time he has visited almost every country on the globe, and now that he is in New York, he is continually meeting friends whom he first met in Japan, Alaska, Hawaii, India, Algeria or some other foreign country.

"The criticism is sometimes made of the Japanese that they have no religion," said Mr. Holmes, at The Lambs the other day, "but the criticism is not well founded. They have a religion, which, while simple, is sufficient for their needs, and it has many beautiful features. The religion is known as 'Shinto,' or 'Way of the Gods.' It is a sort of sun worship, and in the temples a rising sun is always a prominent part of the decorations. In fact, it is about all there is in the temples. Some one once said that there is nothing to see in a Shinto temple, and they won't let you see it."

Mr. Holmes says that the most interesting feature of his travels has been the other travelers whom he has met. The comments that some of them make when gazing for the first time on a wonder of nature are excruciatingly funny. Thus a woman who gazed into the awe-inspiring Grand Canyon of the Colorado for the first time said: "Just as I expected; I knew I would be disappointed. It is not a bit like Colorado Springs." Another woman, when buying in San Francisco a round trip ticket to the Grand Canyon, cautiously asked the railroad agent: "Is the canyon open on Sundays?" A third woman gazed curiously at a group of naked Moki Indian children, who scampered away at the approach of strangers and ran up ladders with the agility of monkeys, their bronze skins glistening in the sun. Then she said: "They look like fried cupids."

The Jack Tar.

Brown, broad-shouldered, round-faced, merry fellows, the Japanese seamen, though stout and short in stature, are decidedly a pleasant-looking and intelligent lot. Dressed navy fashion, silk neckerchief and all complete, when on shore leave they are usually under the charge of a petty officer, who is held responsible for their behavior and due return to the ship. Respectful, polite, and sober, they are popular with everyone in the place. And never does one hear of their overstaying their leave and being taken aboard by the police—a not infrequent occurrence when the ships of other powers are in port. —Detroit Free Press.

Aftermath.

"Why are you so quiet this evening, dear?" she asked. "Are you thinking about how we became engaged last night?"

"Yes," he answered, with a deep sigh. "You see, I'm perfectly sober tonight." — Chicago Daily News.

Lincoln Letter.

During the past week a little strenuousness was injected into the legislature by the presence in the city of the bridge lobby. These bridge contractors were on hand to see that no laws were adopted to interfere with the graft which they so successfully work in all parts of the state. They particularly want to kill any bill which provides for full publicity of plans and estimates, and for actual competitive bids on all classes of bridges. It is noticeable that some few county commissioners are working with the bridge men—a combination which is calculated to make taxpayers sit up and take notice.

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The direct primary bill is still receiving general attention and it is quite apparent that many influences are at work to defeat it. The canvass made by the State Journal among the republican papers of the state has developed the fact that the sentiment is practically unanimous for the direct primary. Interviews with members fails to disclose open opposition among those who have voted in the legislature. Yet it is quite certain that if the people at home where the reform is desired do not actively assert themselves the bill will have a hard time in getting through.

The House has recommended for passage the bill prohibiting the sale of cigarettes or cigarette paper. One of the principal champions of this bill and who presented the most conclusive arguments was Casebeer of Gage the only newspaper editor in the legislature.

The bill providing for a landlord's lien on the crops of his tenant to secure the payment of rent was one of the first bills to fail on third reading. A similar bill has been introduced in every session for the last twenty years, and it always is defeated. A majority of the members in committee of the whole, where no record is kept of the individual votes, declare they want the bill

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to pass but when the time comes to go on record, they vote the other way.

Many amendments to the revenue have been proposed but the indications at this time are that none of them will receive general support except the one providing for a change in the method of equalization. Most of the members express themselves of the opinion that the law should be thoroughly tried before radical changes are made.

The movement to establish a binding factory in the state peni-

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penitentiary seems sure to result in something. It is championed by Cady in the Senate and Ernst in the House. Committees from both houses will go to the Kansas penitentiary this week to examine the factory there, ascertain how it is managed. A letter to Cady from the State Auditor of Kansas gives the information that the factory last year sold its product to the farmers at a lower price than that charged by the trust and that the state derived a net profit of \$21,000 from its operation during the year.—F. A. Harrison.

Judge Stull of Auburn was in town Thursday on business connected with the Grand jury.

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