

A SHINTO PRAYER BOOK.

In the summer of '83, while making an evangelistic tour in one of the inferior provinces of Japan, the great mountains of the province of Shinano, there came into my hands a kind of prayer manual used by the worshippers at one of the Shinto temples in Southern Japan.

While thus speaking let him raise his head and approach the shrine, and when he has finished saying "cleanse and drive away my sins," etc., let him clap his hands twice and do obeisance as before. Next let him draw near with respect and awe to the main temple, and having clasped his hands twice, let him make lowly obeisance, and say with the greatest reverence: "Grant kindly and gently to receive my prayer, that though I come lowly with fear and trembling into the presence of the unspeakably glorious presence of the god Kompira, dwelling serenely in this temple, we who are joined to worship and reverence this great god may specially receive the exalted and precious divine favor, and that the members of our family, escaping all errors and misfortunes, may each and all diligently and reverently work together for the good of the house, and laboring vigorously with a single mind, may help and stimulate each other, so that our may be, like the spreading eight-leaved mulberry, a flourishing and precious house."

THE TYRANNY OF THE MOUTH.

One expects little children to be, as it might properly be expressed, at the mercy of their mouths. The delights of cakes and pies and candies appeal to them. They scud and roll the morsels under their tongues without a thought of the day of reckoning.

staring eyes and open mouth. Now his face would brighten, and now darken. And when they spit upon Jesus, and killed him, he started from his seat. Instinctively, the speaker addressed nearly all his remarks to this man, and when the stone was rolled away, and Jesus came forth and blessed His disciples and sent them into all the world, and ascended to heaven, his face beamed with joy.

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