

The statement regarding the swallow--"He is closely related to the thunder bird." I took almost verbatim from an account of a Sioux warrior who had dreamed of the thunder and had that medicine, as narrated in Teton Sioux Music..BAE Bull 61.

As regards the authority for the idea that W killed the Mandan in order to have some one accompany Little Chief to the Happy Hunting Grounds--- I did not intend to make this appear a universal custom or belief. My only authority for such an idea is the statement of a warrior that, when cornered and despairing of his life in battle, he thought he "would take some one with him." Is that enough?

It is an excellent idea to send Mr. Hill a copy of the book. I shall certainly be glad to do so. If he approves it, I have no doubt that it will be sold in the park.

Grinnell constantly uses the phrase "took a sweat" in his books.

Let me know when you are ready, and we can send in our stuff together.

The subjects of my notes are as follows---

1. sign language (relying upon BAE- handbook of Am Indians)
2. Indian songs..acknowledgements, and explanations by myself.
3. Calumet(BAE Bull 30)
4. Thunder Bird..BAE Bull 30 & BAE 14th Ann. rpt. also my comment on Blackfoot.
5. Medicine..(Clark's Indian sign language chiefly)
6. Bones.....not yet written
7. Sour spirit's face.
8. Happy hunting grounds.
9. Acknowledgements for some of my material (BAE etc)

the horse-tail has already been changed to "large" from "great"

I am going through the text on the lookout for lack of verbal uniformity.

I shall be glad to see what you are doing, but want you to take your time. This is a book which will sell in summer as well as at Xmas. And it will be not a one-season book, let us hope.

Yours truly

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