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A strange relationship exists in the

family of a couple of Englishmen to t Some ten years ago two broth named Beers came to this country ! England and settled on a small farm Menefee county. Things prospered them, and soon one of the bro Philip, becoming tired of lonely his the farm, wood and won Lies L. Johnson, a young rural beauty. were married and lived happily toget nearly eight years. Something, havever, disturbed the harmony of their married life, for last summer Philip ap-

the lone bachelor, began to cast about him for a helpmate, and must have discovered in his brother's late wife the sum of all his future happiness, for the little village near which the brothers restrange country, where he taught this sided was one day suddenly electrified to hear that Louis and the grass widow had been made one. The news came to Philip, who simply smiled and replied. 'Never mind; my inning comes next."

Little attention was paid to the remark, and certainly no one thought of the strange denouement that would folmountain village went smoothly on until, only a day or so ago, the villagers were astonished to hear that Philip Beers and Mrs. Johnson, his ex-wife's mother and his brother's mother-in-law, had been quietly married. Then there was consternation in the family of Mrs. Louis Bears.

The neighbors and friends of the several parties are now busily engaged trying to figure out the relationship of the several parties to each other's relatives. - Kentucky Cor, Philadelphia

A Great Day in China.

Within a short time the great day for state worship will again come in China. At the coming of the winter solstice the whole nation is supposed to pray, at least in the person of the emperor. This great worship takes place at night. The emperor squats on the bottom of a great elephant car, and drawn by the white elephant which the king of Siam sent him, is escorted by 2,000 grandees, princes and attendants, while bands of music play along the way to the great temple. He first goes into the palace of fasting. There he meditates before a copper status representing a priest with his mouth covered by his fingers, indicating silence.

Upon the altar of heaven he should sacrifice burnt animals—calves, hares, sheep and pigs. How this worship will take place, now that the altar of heaven is burned down, I do not know; but the occasion may call out some expressions of opinion from different parts of the empire which will be more or less dan-gerous.—Frank G. Carpenter in National Tribune.

Curious Debate on a Burned Pinafore. A hurned pinafore has been the cause of a curious debate. A girl belonging to the Cuckoo Lane schools, at Hanwell, belonging to the city of London and St. Savour's union, dropped the chalice at a communion service and stained the pinafore. Thereupon the high chaplain or-dered the pinafore not to be washed, but to be destroyed. As it belonged to the ratepayers the managers inquired his authority for destroying their property.

The chaplain pleaded the precedent that old Bibles are destroyed in the same way, but offered to buy a new pinafore. The managers however are determined not to let the matter rest, and two commistees are to investigate the practices of Ritualistic chaplains in regard to damaged pinafores and Bibles.—London Tit-Bits.

A Co-operative Boot Factory.

A striking proof of the steady progress of the principle of co-operative production was given Friday at Leicester, where over 500 delegates from all parts of the kingdom assembled to assist at the formal opening of the largest co-operative boot and shoe factory in the world. The factory stands on six acres ! and when fitted with machinery the total outlay will have been \$250,000. The working capital will be \$1,000,000, and the factory will be able to turn out 50,-600 pairs of boots every week. This huge enterprise has been and will continue to laughing shout; "I brought a whole be managed by workingmen, and the men who make the boots will share in the profits carned by their labor.-London Cor. New York Times.

Carious Recovery of Lost Records. Gorham met with a serious loss over twenty years ago. About 1871 it was credit. A new pupil in a colored school discovered that a book containing the took a shattered lamp chimney to show earliest town records, from its incorpora- her teacher, tion in 1754 to 1815, was missing. The town offered a reward for its return and broken, is ii?" many individuals joined in the search, but hope of finding these records was abundoned long ago. Last week, however, the express brought from Boston a package containing three books in excellent preservation, without any explanation. One of them was the early rec ords of Gorham. The other two books contained the marriages, births and deaths of the inhabitants of the town from 1764 to 1822. - Lewiston Journal.

Wedded in a Blizzard.

In a big snowstorm Miss Lydia E. Carder and Mr. James William Watson, both of West Virginia, were wedded by the Rev. R. Kolk, of Pawpaw, W. Va. The ceremony was performed on an island in the Potomac, near Oldtown. The wind was blowing a perfect hurricane and the snow fell thick and fast. The bride wore a white cloth costume, with bonnet and gloves to match. -Cor. Baltimore American.

A White Negro.

One of the strangest wonders in the way of a man that we have been permitted to see was in town recently, and is a citizen of this county. He is Ebeneger Long, and was born, black, in ly, suffer with a peculiar skin affection Georgia sixty years ago. He is now perfeetly fair, except a few dark spots that may be discovered by looking at him is an accompaniment of this malady .closely. -- Marianna (Fla.) Times.

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natives the truths of Christianity.

After seven years he returned to Irsland, and subsequently tried a second voyage to the same country, as he had promised to revisit it, but was baffled by the wind and tide. He died in the odor of sanctity in 578, aged ninety-four years. The curious thing is that when Cortez low. The ordinary routine life of the invaded Mexico he found the natives in possession of some of the doctrines of Christianity, which they said had been taught them by a stranger clad in a long robe, who came to them from the Holy island beyond the sea in a "boat with wings" many centuries before and promised to return to them. The advent of Cortez was in fact hailed as a fulfillment of this tradition. - Lippincott's.

Wealthy Men and Directors' Fees.

The money making people of Wall street were startled a few days ago by s report that Russell Sage had gone away from a directors' meeting without collecting his fee of five dollars. Investigation proved the rumor to be unfot ded. "Uncle Russell" is a director, in about twenty corporations, and he never misses a directors meeting if he can help it. The usual custom is to pay each diffutor that attends a meeting five dollars. Trequently the money is handed to the directors in the form of a gold piece as they enter the meeting room. At other times the directors get their money just before leaving the room. Some days one man is summoned to three or four directors' meetings. If he happens to be J. Pierpont Morgan he will attend the meeting of the greatest importance. If he happens to be Russell Sage he will attend

Mr. Sage does not believe in neglecting any of his official duties, and he considers the collection of his five dollar fee as part of his official duty. Mr. Morgan occasionally accepts the fee when it is handed to him and passes it over to a clerk or to the porter of the building if he chances to be near. Mr. Jay Gould pays no attention whatever to the customary director's fee. The modest cashier who tenders him a paltry five dollars does not even receive the courtesy of a glance.-New York Rines.

An Untaught Diplomat.

"You know, Nick," said his mother, "a gentleman never asks for things, no

matter how badly he wants them."
"Why doesn't he?" said Nick, opening very wide his round four-year-old eyes. "Because it is impolite and greedy.

That is why it annoys me so to have you ask your Uncle John, whenever he comes, if he has brought you candy. Remember, now, you must never do it any more.'

"But it's my candy—he says so—and he wants me to have it."
"Then he will certainly give it to you, and you must wait his time for it. If I ever again here you ask him I will not let von have it. So promise me that you will not. I know my little boy wants to

be a gentleman.' Nick made the promise with a very sober face. He was the normal small boy, not a little angel, yet he had been trained "upon honor," and felt that a promise once made could not be broken. This is the way he kept it. When Uncle of ground. The buildings cost \$150,000, | John came again, his nephew, after greeting him, leaned meditatively against his chair and said, "You didn't bring anything but yourself this time, did you, Uncle John?

> 'Yes, I di "," said Uncle John with a pound of candy, and after that I wish it was two."-Harper's Young People.

> > "Busted," Not Broken.

Doubtless our unlettered friends have fine distinctions in the use of words, for which we do not give them sufficient

"Ah!" said he, "your chimney is

"No, sir," she answered, "it's busted." In her distinction of terms lay all the difference between a confession of guilt and an assertion of innocence. The word "broken" she understood to mean that the mishap had occurred by her own fault; and in correcting to "busted" she meant to imply that some unknown agency, a current of cold air, perhaps, had caused the break,

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