Lord Clanricarde has received a letter from Prince Dolgorouky, ithe Ministeriof War at St. Pefersburgh, informing him, that the Emperor, recollecting with pleasure the time (when Lord Clauricated represented the Queen as her Majesty's ambassador at the imperial court, felt, real satisfaction in restoring to him his son, who, by the chances of war, had fallen into the hands of the Russians. Daily News

MARRIAGE CEREMONIES OF THE GREAT

(Translated from the Chinese.)

Great Britain is an Island which takes in washing from the German Ocean. It is distinguished principally by its cliffs, which exceeds those of any island near it by a long chalk. The inhabitants are an indestrious and peaceful race, not very far all vanced in civilisation, which is accounted for by their school-master being abroad. In proof of their semi-barbarous condition, their magnates classify themselves with dumb animals—thus the Crown Prince is the Prince of Whales, and their highest civic magistrate is known and freated as a Mare. The people of this island appear to subsist principally upon a bitter weed called law which grows in rank luxuriance upon commons. The Commons of Great Britain are like other uncultivated pastures, appropriated to the grazing of donkeys and iteese. Everything in this strange country is called printe—a word of doubtful origin and equivocal import thus we hear of a prime Stillon cheese, a prime Milton oyster, a prime Minister, &c. &c. The inhabitants are short-lived, especially the females, none of whom (if unmarried) ever live beyond the age of thirty-five. When a young man has "fallen in love," as it is rather curiously termed, with a young woman, he goes to the father's house to pay his addresses; for amongst the Great Britons, who pride themselves on their commercial character, even love making is regarded as purely a debtor and creditor transaction. When the addresses have been duly paid, a legal acknowledgement is given, and the liabilities of all par-ries cancelled by a "settlement." The first demand, however, made by the young man on visiting the fa-ther of the intended bride, is to look at his lands—a re-quest which is immediately granted, from the proposed bridegroom granting to the bride's father a similar privilage. Surveyors are then appointed on each side, and the lands are measured. If the bridegroom's land falls short of that owned by the bride's father, the young man is bowed out of the house with much ceremony; If the balance be in favour of the suitor, he shakes his head thoughtfully and promises to consult his Mamma. He then retires, and is seldom seen again. When it so happens that there is an equality of lands, it is looked upon as a match, and the bridegroom is called upon for nn money. This peculiar species of coin does not at all resemble pins, which are sharp pointed; whereas pin money is blunt, and like those who stamp it with their approbation, rather flat than otherwise. On the morning of the nuptials, the bridegroom presents him-eelf, attended by a friend and supporter, at the house of the bride's father. As soon as the preparations are complete, which are conducted with great's elemity, the oride and bridegroom are led to an altar erected for that purpose, where they are bound together by an indissoluble knot, to borrow the awfully thrilling language of the priesthood, in sickness and in health, unil death doth them part—a judgment pronounced upon them with inexorable austerity, and which few people can listen to without a shudder. As with most outlandish tribes, the Great Britons are naturally creduloss, and disposed to take every thing upon trust. The bridgroom, therefore, is never permitted really to see the bride until after marriage. It is true that when friends are present he may admire her teeth, eyes, dimples, and so on and she in return tenderly his "imperial," (a sign of valor attached to the chin), but beyond this all knowledge of each other is rigorously forbidden. After marriage, it is consequently found that the air usually worn is altogether lake, and the surprise manifested by either party on making these startling discoveries, as may be imagined, is exceedingly ludicrous. In most domestic households after marriage there is an embodied Power, called in the language of these Goths a Mother-in-Law; for, as before observed, the Great Britons somehow mix up everything like availed with this bitter word. everything like a salad, with this bitter weed, produced by the Commons—hence they have fathers—mothers—uncles—aunte—brothers—sisters—nephews and nieces, all in law. The mother-in-law's sway is absolute. To her hands are committed the reins of government, not as a matter of courtesy, but of course. She stands upon her prerogative and holds office during pleasure—generally for life. All questions of finance come within her jurisdiction, and there is no appeal." She hears all petitions, whether from husband or wife, and allows or dismisses them as she thinks fit, with or without costs. She has also the power of declaring war, which is often exercised by her in a very harrassing manner; and the latch key (the symbol of liberty, and which is highly prized by young husbands, as giving them the right to travel within certain limits), hangs entirely upon her dictum. During her very occasional abscences from her seat of empire, the carpets are rolled up in token of desolation, and the wine cellar is hermetically sealed. After marriage the husband's a bachelor friends are treated by the "Powers that be," with marked attention, a frigid shoulder of mutton being always provided at stated times for their special entertainment; and testifying by its cold and studied formality the respect in which they are held. Such are some of the connubial customs of this singular but amiable people."-Punch's Pocket-book for 1855.

MR. SLOW ON SYMPATHY. The Boston Post teproduces the following moral reflections of Mr. Slow:
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