A MIXED UP RELATIONSHIP.

A phenomenal double wedding has just taken place in Columbus, Ind., by which father, daughter, brother and sister were married by the same ceremony, Justice W. W. Stader officiating.

The parties to the wedding were Russell Debusk and Miss Ella Bevars and William Bevars and Miss Alpha Debusk. Mrs. Debusk and William Bevars are brother and sister and Russell Debusk is the father of Mrs. Bevars.

A queer and unusual relationship has resulted.

Bevars' own sister is his mother in-law, and his father-in-law is also his brother-

Debusk's daughter becomes his sister-in-

Mrs. Debusk is the stepmother and sister-in-law of Mrs. Bevars.

Mrs. Bevars, being her father's sister, is consequently an aunt to herself.

Debusk, being his daughter's brother, must necesarily be his own father-But this is getting too complicated.

SOME POPULAR MISCONCEPTIONS.

Here is a list of some popular misconceptions :- Catgut is made from the entrails of sheep. Cuttlebone is not bone, but a kind of chalk once enclosed in the fossil remains of extinct specimens of cuttlefish. German silver was not invented in Germany, and does not contain a particle of silver. Cleopatra's needle was not erected by the Egyptian Queen, nor in her honor. Pompey's pillar had no historical connection with Pompey in any way. Sealing-wax does not contain a particle of wax, but is composed of Venice turpentine, shellac and cinnabar. The tuberose is no rose, but a species of polyanth. strawberry is no berry, but only a succulent receptacle. Turkish baths did not originate in Turkey, and are not laths, but heated chambers. Whalebone is not bone, and does not possess a single property of bones.

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