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I attach great importance to this ceremony as rendering beyond a doubt the success of the efforts I have made to restore peace. It satisfies me of the entire trustiness of Pegaleshka, who is always with Red Cloud, and they two rule the nation. A man of Pegaleshka's intelligence and shrewdness would never have confided the remains of his child to the care of any one but those with whom he intended to be friends always. The occurrence of such an incident is regarded by the oldest settlers, men of most experience in Indian character, as unprecedented, and as calculated to secure a certain and lasting peace.