THE DEACON'S VIEW.

why, we brought up some fourteen, and we wished for several

we only had six children we could call our veryoown, 10

But couldn't think of raising half-adozen all alone.

"I've never stole a child yet, and

hope I never may." Said he, "but if I couldn't get them in an honest way,

I know I would be tempted to resort

to shady tricks; For what would home have been to

us with only five or six?

"We begged a few and borrowed

just soaked and steeped in sin:

(We never found them so) and some were orphans, just bereft

Of parents, and we always took what other people left.

"We never had the 'ong-we,' and we never got the blues;

We never went around proclaiming pessimistic views. Our farmhouse rang with laughter,

and throughout the livelong day,

that would keep the blues dear she was to him. away.

"And now our hearts are still kept young" said he, "with countless joys,

For letters come by almost every mail from those dear boys

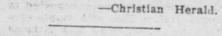
girls, who now have gone to And hustle for themselves and do

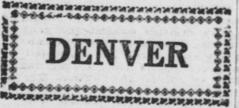
A lot of good in this old world, and raise big familles, too.

"And back they come to visit us, like angels from above; Their arms are full of babies and their hearts are full of love.

I want to go to heaven when I change my local sphere. But a home with lots of children

makes it awful pleasant here."





Some fellows have no idea of the

ever think of man" [] Byery day-dian" The danger A man adores a woman's eyes float-

Somehow the length of the seat had hadn't noticed it.

"I don't suppose I'll ever see Denver," she continued. "They say it neck of a red haired youth. is a beautiful city. And you are going to live there!"

be Chicago to me, though, for-"

"Have you never dreamed of a place where you could be happy-oh, less excitement, while the guests some, and some just drifted in; so happy! Where there were views jumped over the tables and chairs, A few of them, folks told us, were of mountains and balmy air to soothe you?" Maude was going some.

> "Gee, Maude, you don't mean to say-Would you like to live in Den- then that I told her what I-and ver?"

> dropped to his shoulder. "Perhaps of acrobats rehearsing a scene for s you had better speak to papa before you-you get the ring This will take him so by surprise. He didn't think to lose his little girl so soon" George was surprised, too. Not

There was always something doing Not until then had he realized how that he was unhappy. oh, dear, no!

As he brushed a little electric curl from her brow and whispered in her ear, he could only murmur. "How did I ever get up courage to ask such a pearl to be mine? I am so

unworthy!"-Chicago News. COUNTIES IN UNITED STATES.

Some Little Known Facts About Our 1000 Countles.

The county is a territorial division that the United States derived from Great Britain, where the countles correspond to the provinces or departments of other European countries, and in a limited sense to the States of the American Union. An Englishman addresses a letter to "Parkinton, Hants," as we address a letter

to Columbus, O.," or Elmira, N. Y." many real parishes of the church.

the Union, with an average size of taxes and speed regulations when the about 1,000 square miles; but this balloons come. Kissimmee has never value of a girl's time-that is, a average is enormously exceeded in had the experience of an automobile, girl who is somewhere between 25 many instances, and is also frequent- but the moment the auto machine in and 30. They just fall into the habit by fallen below. Leaving out cer- other towns and States exhibited its of dropping in to eat fudge or bits tain great unsettled counties in the native tendency to run away with it i of cold chicken. It is nice to do so. West, the average county would be self and its occupants Kissimmee was They like the cold chicken, they like about 500 miles square in extent. prompt to enact rigorous regulations. the fudge, even sometimes they like In much of the western part of the Kissimmee has the world distinccountry the size of the county is reg- tion of leading all other towns, cities, each township is six miles square, tion for twenty-five miles upward will and each county, twenty-four miles undoubtedly-cover the limit of levi-In Iowa there are thirty-nine coun- more to be desired in the Kissimmee ties that were formed in this way, ordinance. Kissimmee will no more possible in the newer West, where er Kissimmee slow. It is Kissimmee these minor political divisions were quick .-- Pittsburg Dispatch. The largest county in the United

ond nature, so they keep dropping in. ulated mathematically. It consists States and nations in providing for Meanwhile, Maude is wondering of sixteen townships, each composed speed regulations of balloons. It is how much longer she must keep her of thirty-six square miles, making 576 also the first to provide an aeroplane hair curled and pinch her cheeks to square miles in all. In other words, for its town marshal. The jurisdic George; still, he will do in case each one of which has exactly 576 be written down as one of the slow-George can't be made to speak. But square miles. Such divisions were est of Southern towns. It is no long-Maude tried many ways of induc- made in advance of settlement. In ing the backward one to toe the the older parts of the country the mark. Simple as the dear girl look- territorial arrangements were largely It is believed that by coming into blame her. It was necessary to do States is Yavapai county, Arizona, a little pulling. George really needed which has an area of almost 30,000 a derrick to hoist him. He had square miles. Nine States of the this is to be the case. With its been coming there off and on for Union are each smaller than this county. It is larger than the whole

"You don't think that," she said, door, and a noisy company alighted. By W. C. Martin. just as if she felt hurt because he all smoking cigarettes, including the Said Deacon Good, "I pity those with had doubted her. "I wonder if you'll bride, which shocked my friend ex

The company then sat down to signal was flying, but George didn't luncheon and we watched them from observebnt below? couldn't liwhen all distincted while all photographer Maude's eyes were shining in tears? took up his postion near us. The meal did not last very long, and ing in tears-for him. "Denver is so far," she sighed. on the table, while the guests danced around her. They then started increased-at the other end. Maude games, hide and seek, etc., and while the bridegroom had his back turned the bride threw her arms round the

This led to a fight between the two; the melee became general, the "Oh, Denver's all right. It won't bride pulling off her wreath and throwing it at her father-in-law's head. My friend looked on in breathbut when the bride turned a somersault, alighting on the bridegroom's shoulders, the good lady's indignation rose to a high pitch, and it was only the reader, no doubt, too-guessed "Oh, George!" And her head long before, that they were a party

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cinematograph company.

Florida Town Begins Early With Tax And Regulations.

It was to be expected that something of the sort would happen, and that it would happen in the Sunny South, that land of imagination, and joke, and song, and prohibition and moonshine. The Mayor of Kissimmee, Fla., that town with the most osculatory name in all the world, has drafted an ordinance imposing a heavy fine for the overspeeding of dirigible balloons, claiming jurisdiction twenty-five miles in the air, also taxing the dirigibles \$100 each, and appropriating money to purchase an

aeroplane with which the town marshal shall pursue and capture all offenders. The town marshal should certainly have a high salary for this. job

Kissimmee has never experienced the thrill of the vision of a balloon of firm; No. 2, 85 1/2 elevator and 86 any kind, but this measure is delightful evidence of the new and wonder-One State, which derives its usages fully progressive spirit that animates from French and not from English the far Southern section of the counoriginals, has no counties at all. In try, which some mistaken ones have Louisiana these subdivisions of the looked upon as being most active State are still called parishes, both when it is asleep. This slander will officially and in ordinary speech, no longer find credence, at least so though they are now divided into far as Kissimmee is concerned. If Kissimmee has never had sight of a There are about 3,000 counties in balloon it will be fully prepared with

COMMERCIAL COLUMN Weekly Review of Trade and Latest Market Reports.

New York Bradstreet's says While events generally tend toward steady, if slow, improvement, conservatism still rules purchasing in wholesale and jobbing lines, and at several large centers fall trade, notably in dry goods, has reached and passed its maximum. Taken as a whole, trade, though in a few in-stances equal to a year ago at this date, is still generally below the normal, and the approach of the election has a tendency to discourage all but absolutely necessary purchases. Western trade advices are good as a whole, though house trade is on the wane, and traveling salesmen are relied upon to take care of

reorder business. There is very general agreement that stocks are small in retailers' hands, and color to this is given by the many orders given for immediate shipment, which throws unusual burdens in turn upon jobbers, wholesalers and manufacturers.

There is rather more doing at the larger Eastern markets in some kind of men's-wear fabrics and foreign dress fabrics. Food products, such as groceries and meats, are also relatively more active. The leather trades are quiet, hides are dull, but firm, while shoe orders are not equal to expectations.

Business failures in the United States for the week number 267, against 266 last week and 166 in the like week of 1907.

Wheat, including flour exports from the United States and Canada for the week aggregates 6,439,526 bushels, against 3,491,911 bushels last week and 5,272,737 bushels this week last year. Corn exports for the week are 69,982 bushels, against 12,443 bushels last week and 1,193,-190 bushels in 1907.

Wholesale Markets.

New- York. - Wheat - Receipts, 133,000; exports, 10,800. strong; No. 2 red, 1.08 1/2 @ 1.10 elevator; No. 2 red. 1,10 % f. o. b afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 1.13 % f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 1.10 1/8 f. o. b. afloat.

Corn - Receipts, 1,075. Spot, nominal delivery. Option market was without transactions, closing 1/2 @ % c. net higher. September closed 8512; December, 77%; May, 73%. Oats-Receipts, 54,000; exports, 4.000. Spot firm; mixed, 26@32 oounds, 53; natural white, 26@31 pounds, 53 1/2 @ 55; clipped white, 32 @ 40 pounds, 55 1/2 @ 61.

Poultry-Alive, firm; spring chickens, 14: fowls, 14; turkeys, 14; iressed, steady; Western spring thickens, 15@19; fowls, 14@151/2; spring turkeys, 20@22.

Eggs-Irregular; receipts, 9,978; State, Pennsylvania, and nearby fancy selected white, 32@34; do., fair to thoice, 26@31; brown and mixed fancy. 28@30: do., fair to choice, 25@27.

Philadelphia. - Wheat firm. 1c. higher; contract grade, September, 103@103% Corn firm, 1/2 c. higher; No. 2 for local trade, 87@87%c. Oats firm, fair demand; No. 2 white natural, 54 ½ @ 55c. Butter firm, good demand; extra



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A COLLIE'S CONFIDENCE IN HIS MISTRESS

Once there was a lady who had two dogs. One was a fine black collie, with a long, pointed nose and beautiful dark eyes that could almost speak. The other was a little black and tan terrier, and he was so intelligent that he understood almost everything that was said to him or even before him. His name was Prince, and he lived in the big house with the lady, while Jack, the collie, lived at the farm house just a little way off. They were great friends and played together by the hour, running races over the lawn, rolling over and over, till they looked like a big ball. The big fellow was as kind and gentle in his play as if he were the same size as Prince, and the lady had no fear for her pet.

But one sad day something happened which made Jack very angry with the little dog, and he forgot their long friendship and became so furious that he bit the poor little fellow so cruelly that he had to be put

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"If he doesn't mean business," she wonders, "why doesn't he move on square. and let Joe Smith have a chance?"

Joe isn't as good a prospect as George continues to hold down the claim.

ed in her pretty white frock, she was accidental. deep and knowing. You couldn't

cold. It seemed a century since the large as South Carolina. perfectly willing to settle down if of Massachusetts. George would only speak. But he wouldn't speak.

be done all over again.

Now George was going away. The evening he came to say goodby they strolled into Jackson Park. Maude gently led him to just the counties is greater than in most of right seat, in the shadows, with oth- the Middle Western and Southern er people not too near.

Mande had made a resolution. George was ignorant of his danger.

The lake was glistening. The moon was shining. The girl was Rhode Island. nice. George told her so, but she touches some people that way. It did George. Maude was wise to this,

"Oh, Maude, isn't it lovely here?" he murmured. He was happy to find her hand in his. "I wish this evening could last."

Maude meant it to last-until she had accomplished her object.

"I suppose it can't," she sighed. me when I am gone away?"

Maude knew he was going away.

"You are going away?" Maude's voice trembled just enough. "I supposed you won't miss me?" questioned George.

Among the other great counties of Several times she got matters San Diego, in California, which are where she thought the cards would not only vast regions, but contain a be mailed to their friends the follow- great productive territory; Humboldt ing week. Then George would get and Lincoln county, New Mexico, off the trolley. So everything had to which are only sparsely populated; and Lincoln county, New Mexico, which bids fair in time to have a large population.

Although the New England States are small the average size of the States. Worcester county in Massachusetts, is an example of an Eastern county that is at the same time large in area and very populous. It is larger than the adjoining State of

The smallest State in the Union knew it already. George grew effus- has the smallest county as well. ive and a triffe foolish. Moonlight Bristol county, R. I., has only twenty-five square miles. At one place it is not more than two miles in

breadth .--- Chicago Record-Herald. A SURPRISING WEDDING.

It Quite Shocked the American Un-

til She Saw the Camera.

duct her to a place where she could walk where he fell. see a workman's wedding, as she re-That was why she intended to bag quired it for her new novel, writes doctors said that the man's condition the game on this night. The strain the Paris correspondent of the Gen- was brought on by a series of shocks of cold cream and curling irons was tlewoman. To oblige the lady I took to his nerves in driving his machine. wearing on her. If it could not be her to the Lac Saint-Fargeau, an es- They termed the disease auto intoxicasettled tonight, Joe must be pushed tablishment at the top of the steep tion .- Philadelphia Ledger.

It was still early when we reached the place, and no brides or bride- ettes last year," remarks the New grooms were visible as yet. At last York Mail. Well, confession is a two char-a-bancs drove up to the step toward reform.

tation. There is actually nothing

position may be re-established in the world of theological instruction. For large endowment, and prestige. And-Maude was first in hot water, then of West Virginia, and almost as if the right man had appeared might over had a peculiar opportunity, and thought had first come to her that The sixteen counties of Montana of theological school; namely, a school have developed an entirely new type she would marry him. Maude was average a greater size than the State for religious leadership. As it is now it can offer no advantage that Harward divinity school does not offer and the Union are San Bernardino and can at best do little more than duplicate the work of that splendid institution. Some day we shall have in America a theological school in which a small group of men shall work together, not for the purpose of training men for the ordinary ministry, put for training men for leadership in the work of adjusting the church to a changing order. Some of our schools are already facing this problem with success. But the instruction demanded for such leadership is not that of general university study. It is rather that of a distinct professional training .- World Today, Chicago, 11 1 16 1050

Auto Intoxication.

Presbyterian Hospital physicians had to deal with a rare disease recently-auto intoxication. They say it is increasing with the increase of fast running automobiles.

Morris Stern, twenty-five years old. of 937 Spring Garden street, was recently a victim. He was speeding down Preston street in his automobile when he suddenly began to grow An elderly American authoress the palsy. He stopped his machine dizzy and tremble as if afflicted with "No, I suppose not. Shall you miss asked me a few days ago to con- and alighted, staggered to the side-

"We smoked 55,000,000,000 cigar-

Western creamery, 26c.; nearby prints, 28. Eggs firm, good demand; Pennsylvania and other nearby firsts, f. c., 25c. at mark; do., current receipts, in returnable cases, 24c. at mark; Western firsts, f. c., 25c. at mark; do., current receipts, f. c., 24c. at mark.

Cheese firm, good demand: New York full creams, choice, 13 4 @ 13 1/2 c.; do., fair to good, 12 1/2 @ 13. Live poultry quiet but steady: fowls, 12@14c.; old roosters, 9 1/2 @ closer relationship with Harvard its | 10; spring chickens, 14@15; spring ducks, 11@111/2; old ducks, 10 1/2 @11.

Baltimore .- Flour -- Firm and unchanged. Receipts, 6,611; exports, 21.825

Wheat-Firm; spot contract, 1.04 @1.04 %; No. 2 red Western, 1.06 @ 1.06 %; September, 1.04 @ 1.04 %; October, 1.04@1.04%; December, 1.05%@1.06; steamer No. 2 red, .04 1/4 @ 1.04 1/2 ; Southern by sample, 90@97: Southern on grade, 1.00% @1.03 %. Receipts, 59,667; exports, 128,000. Corn - Steady; year, 68% @ 69; January, 68% @68%; Southern white corn, 80@84; Southern yellow

corn, 86. Réceipts, 2,377. Oats-Easier; No. 2 white, 52@ 52 1/2; No. 3 white, 51@51 1/2; No. 2

mixed, 51. Receipts, 4,537. Rye-Firm; No. 2 Western export, 83@83*. Receipts, 1,973. Hay-Firm; No. 1 timothy, 14.00; No. 1 clover mixed, 11.50@12.00.

Butter-Steady; fancy imitation, 20@21; fancy creamery, 25 1/2 @ 26; ancy ladle, 20; store packed, 16. Eggs-Quiet, 23@24. Cheese-Quiet; new large, 131/2; new flats, 131/2; new small, 13 %.

Live Stock.

New . York. - Beeves - Receipts, 837. Feeling nominally steady. Dressed beef slow at 7 to 101/4 per pound for native sides.

Calves-Receipts, 310; market steady. Calves, 5.00 to 9.50: Western calves, 3.75; city dressed veals, 8 to 14; country dressed do., 7 to 121/2; dressed grassers and fed calves. 5 to 7. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 4,-100. Trade extremely slow. Sheep

barely steady; lambs weak to 25c, lower. Sheep, 2.50 to 3.50; lambs 4.75 to 5.75; culls, 3.50.

Hogs-Receipts, 3,950. Feeting weak, to 5c. lower.

Chicago .- Cattle-Receipts, about 5,000; market steady. Steers,, 4.40 @7.20; cows, 3.25@5.25; heifers, 3.00 @ 4.25; bulls, 2.50 @ 4.50; calves, 2.50 @ 8.00; stockers and feeders, 2.60 @ 4.50.

Hogs --- Receipts, about 13,000; market 10c. lower. Choice heavy àvap 7.40: butchers, 7.30@7.40; light mixed, 6.85@7.00; choice light 7.00@7.25: packers, 6.80@7.15 pigs, 3.75 @ 6.25; bulk of sales, 6.85 @ 7.10.

out of his misery, for he could never have gotten well again.

Now, Jack, when he came to him-Penn's Valley Banking Company self and knew what he had done, was so ashamed and sorry that he would hot come down to the house any more. But still the lady did not want to have him at the farm house, where she would see him often and be reminded of his wicked cruelty to her dear little pet. So she gave him to a man who lived some miles away in the country.

All this had happened in the early spring, and as the months went on fack never appeared at his old home to call on his old friends, for he understood and remembered what he had done and was very much ashamed of himself.

One afternoon in the autumn when the lady had been taking a drive she tame back to the house about sunset, when the wind was blowing cold, and the red leaves dropping over the grass. As she opened the gates she was astonished to see Jack lying on the grass beside the walk. When he saw her he got up and came slowly toward her, limping badly, and sat down in front of her, holding up his forepaw and looking up in her face as much as to say: "Will you take this sharp thing out of my paw and forgive me for killing Prince?"

He didn't really say all this, but he looked it. The lady stooped down and, taking the paw in her hand, she saw that there was a large sharp thorn sticking in it so deep that the poor dog had not been able to pull it out with his teeth. She had to pull very hard, and it must have hurt a great deal, but he did not even whine. He sat quite still and watched her pull it out, and then he licked her hand, that being the only "thank you" he could say, and he went right home and was never seen there again. You see, the people he lived with

would not take the trouble to help the poor lame dog, and he remembered how kind his mistress used to be to him in the happy old days, and he made up his mind he would go to her and see if she would still help ! him. But when he got what he wanted he was still too ashamed to linger, and so he went back and the lady never saw him at her house again .---Washington Star.

Of Course.

"And the streets are paved with real gold, and there will be music and flowers, and everything will be beautiful!" finished the Sunday-school teacher, who was telling her small charges of Heaven.

"And now tell me," she continued. "what kind of little boys and girls are coing there?"

Nobody knew. Then from one corcer a small brown hand shot up. "Yes, Samuel," the teacher smiled. "Please, teacher, dead ones!"-Everybody's Magazine.

