## The Chronicle,

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### THE NEW DUAL ALLIANCE.

The agreement or alliance, between Japan, just published, is, beyond question the most important event of the tics. The alleged object of the new treaty, as of Bismarck's triple alliance, and independence of China and Korea are threatened, it is said, as also are the special interests England and Japan themselves and engage to assist each other in case either, while defending its special interests, is assailed by two or more powers. If one of the parties to the alliance is assailed by a single let said of Yorick, a man of infinite dotes and my wife feeds me on antipower the other party is to remain neu- jest and most excellent fancy. When dates and so I am worrying along waittral, but is to be on the alert to prevent the spirit moved him he could enter- ing for the spring. If I can live a and resist a combination of two or more tain his friends most pleasantly and it month longer I will get well. powers to bulldoze either. After Japan, by the treaty of Shimonoseki, had obtained Port Arthur from China, Russia, it will be recalled, ousted Japan in virtue of a combination of the German and French fleets with that of Russia. shrewdly provides against in the terms of the new alliance.

The power had chiefly in view by the parties to the alliance is no doubt Russia. The Czar is at this moment endeavoring to extort from China sweeping and exclusive concessions in Manchuria, against the granting of which the Washington Government, it is stated, has recently protested. The Chinese have hitherto granted whatever night we visited Mark in his room and of northern publishers in the matter of Russia asked because they were terrorized. Russia made a show of force and China looked about in vain for powers willing to sustain her if she should resist. But the Anglo-Japanese alliance for China's protection alters the situa- arts of oratory and could use big words books may be good enough in pedagog- the cotton acreage and increase the tion. China has now, if the alliance with impunity, for neither the old ical construction and mechanical make- provision and provender crops. means anything practial, friends pledged to back with force in case she refuses ling, but were impressed with their against the production of equally good that there shall be plentiful crops of all to give away Manchuria, and defies Russia to do her worst. So also in case of unacceptable demands of Germany Mark rehearsed that night. A yankee dollars annually sent north for the sup- can be satisfactorily assimilated. England and Japan proclaim the policy of the open door in the East, and in- schooling for his two boys, Troup and only, but of practical business sense. vite the support of other powers. . According to the Japanese Ambassador in cause the two little nullifiers hadn't making because of the fierce competi-London, the alliance is in the general learned anything hardly and they told tion of the great monopolists in these interest-it has no exclusive objectsand Russia itself would be welcomed if she desired to become a party to it. Only such powers as cherish exclusive aims of aggrandizement at the expense of China or Korea can properly object to it.

The alliance will doubtless offend

some of the powers. The balance of power in the Far East is radically changed by the close co-operation in all Eastern questions of two powers. one of which has a very powerful navy and plenty of money, while the other has a large army, well trained, well armed, and close to the scene of operations. Russia is in a position to throw many troops into Manchuria, but Japan can throw more or can put them there quicker, which is the same thing. England on the other hand, having the largest navy and controling all the chief coaling stations, is in a position to prevent the feets of other powers from becoming effective in Eastern waters. Japan by herself, is more than a match for any other naval power in of her base. With the help of England, her fleet will be overwhelming! twice before she comes to blows with the allies. This much seems clearpersist in its acquisition. England has, of course, to expect a corresponding anti-English alliance in Europe, and Japan will not be able to help her there. It is for the English to consider combined arms of Russia and France. with Germany in a doubtful attitude or hostile. They risk a great deal in tak- his school and his Salamander. ing at last a new and decided stand powers. A degree of boldness is exhib- and he filed a plea of mal-practice and old home, and landed in Tarpon ited in this latest move which her re demanded a profert of his diploma. Springs, where he has a married cent statesmen have not accustomed The doctor said he had one at home, the world to expect.

A Negro for Orator. LINCOLN. Neb., Feb. 13.—The selection of Booker T. Washington as com- phantly. Mark smiled and said: "Now, Mr. Teston is now visiting his daughter, mencement day orator for the Univer- doctor, please take the stand and trans- Mrs. L. C. Wells, and will be in Tampa sity of Nebraska next June was an- late this furrin language into English, in a few days with a view to locating nounced this evening by Chancellor so that his honor may know whether it here. So delighted was he at his recon-Andrews. The invitation was sent is a diploma or not. It looks to me cilliation with his wife and family, he Washington by the faculty and his like an old revolutionary grant of land." acceptance was received four days ago. Of course the doctor couldent translate sand dollars in gold as a souvenir of A number of members of the senior it, and he lost his case in a jiffy. I the happy events. Mr. Dormeny, class which has a voice in the choir of don't believe we have as good anecdotes while regretting the incident that loses an orator, announced their opposition now as we use to have. I don't know to him his wife, will yield gracefully to to the selection of a negro and may anybody who has taken the place of the inevitable. make a protest at a meeting of the class Howell Cobb and Charles J. McDonald called for to-morrow to discuss the and Cincinnatus Peoples and Hope matter. Chancellor Andrews says no Hull and the others I have already expression of dissatisfaction has been named. I am writing about them now made to him.

"It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Vanderbilt will not return to Ashe least not for a long stay, and that they contemplate an early trip to Europe. Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt are entertaining and sneezing and wheezand Mrs. Vanderbilt are entertaining some at their New York residence, but

woman. Did you ever hear of anybody and a dozen corkscrews to pull the stuff marrying a man? The darkest hour in the history of out. Sick as I am, my wife laughs at any young man is when he sits down Mexico, intends to retire within six

Whom did you marry?"

BILL ARP'S LETTER.

tlauta Constitution.

have in those countries. To safeguard but the old reaper has cut down all but any harm in saying "cofferdam." these against aggression England and our Chief Justice Simmons, our chap-Japan individually and jointly pledge lain Brother Yarbrough, and myselfand I am sick-

Blanford-men called him Mark-we cofferdam head off." who knew him best. He was, as Hamwas our delight to get him and Judge Underwood and Judge Buchanan together with Evan Howell as a teaser and spend the evening hours during the session of the supreme court when Mark was one of the judges. During but jumped to conclusions like a woman | realizing the project. and never saw much difference between Shantung or of France in Yunnan. school teacher from the Nutmeg state plies of our common schools. had sued Jim Jenkins for \$18 worth of Calhoun. Jenkins wouldn't pay it be- The south lags in literature and bookrecesses and carried on with the big and north. We have the men and worecess, but pretended she had some away of necessity to strangers. sums to do, and wanted the teacher to of her. She was a red-headed gal.

Mark's plea was that Fretman wasent: scholar, and not fittin to teach, and that he couldent read writin nor write readin nor spell all the words in Daniel Webster's blue-black spellin book, and he made a motion to put him on the Tampa (Fla.) Herald. stand and spell him. Fretman's lawyer fought it, but the old squire said he must spell. Fretman was scared. He 'Spell Phthisic," said Mark, and he the Chinese seas, owing to the excellence of her new ships and the nearness and little words and long words, and afterwords, but Fretman never missed until finally Mark says, "Now spell strong. Russia will accordingly think Ompompynusuk." Fretman drew a long breath and said it wasent in the book. But Mark proved by an old that she will now perceive that she is to preacher that it was in his book, and so father, and they finally returned to fight for Manchuria if she means to old Phil spoke up and said: "Mr. Fretman, you must spell it sir." He was then sweating like a run-down filly. He took one pass at it and missed. 'You can come down sir,' said Mark; 'you've- lost your case." And sure whether they are able to withstand the enough old Phil gave a judgement against him and he had the cost to pay But he was good grit, for he stuck to

At the next court Mark moved to which is bound to offend certain nonsuit a doctor who had sued a feller. and begged for time to go after it. Old Phil gave him time, and he rode 6 miles and back as hard as he could lick having been contracted under the imit, and shook it in Mark's face triumbecause I am sick and it cheers me to think of them. If is were not for the bright little grandchildren who come ille during the coming summer, at to see me I should go to bed and give they only give dinners and musicals.

System of tears and nobody cares alone and independent, or whether they will walk alone and independent, or whether they will walk hand-in-hand with us, as quinine and bromide and calomel, and, "I think so—wunce."

"What do you mean, sir—once? Whom did you marry?"

"A wumman."

"Come, come, now, sir; don't trifle ith the court. Of course it was a sches, I want a dozen holes bored in it was castor oil and turpentine. I rebelled, but they brought me something in a cup that they said wishes of Canada in this regard, so wishes of Canada in this regard, so shall we then respect, and ought to respect, the wishes of the Philippines. with the court. Of course it was a aches, I want a dozen holes bored in it

how I expectorate and she made me an old-fashioned honey stew and I'm try- The might of God's enfolding arms my fees an ing that now. It's the weather—the fears alike will daunt; "I knew him well, Horatio. A man horrid old weather that has flopped over His mercy brims my cup; He is my shepherd of infinite jest and most excellent on us from yankee land.

It has been years since I met my in bad weather ought to have somefriend, Mark Blanford. I see by the body to tell him stories or some chil- His love will fill my soul with peace, my heart press dispatches that he is dead-died dren to play around and cheer him up the two island empires, England and in Columbus last week. It grieved me with their merriment. The old Persian Through pastures sweet with scented bloom His for a time, although he was old enough monarch. Harun al Raschid, was kept to die. Eighty years is a good old age alive by listening to the beautiful In running brooks and waters still His unremit decade in the field of international poli- if the man is good. Every time one stories in the Arabian Nights. Certain of these old trees falls it shocks me. it is I don't hanker after serious or George Barnes died not long ago in mournful company. I've coughed until is to preserve the peace. The integrity Augusta, and I was grieved, for I loved I am almost a coffin. I'm like that him and I unconsciously whispered, bad boy who got to saying damn it and "Next!" Only three of us left of the his father whipped him for it and so senate of 1866. There were forty-four, one day he asked his father if there was "No, of course not," said the old

man. "Why do you ask?" "Because," said her "the old cow But I was ruminating about Judge has swallowed a cob and is about to

My daughter regales me with anec-

### FOR SOUTHERN TEXT BOOKS.

BILL ARP.

Atlanta Constitution. An effort will be made at Charleston secure profit if they produce cotton A repetition of that experience Japan the court hours Chief Justice Warren next Tuesday to organize a movement with which to buy corn. meat or any was sitting there as serious and solemn for the establishment of a southern other farm product needed. as a Presbyterian preacher drinking in publishing house for school text books. the record and digesting the law of the The project has received cordial incase, while Mark took in the surround- dorsements from leading educators and they thought were unsalable at profitaings and absorbed the humorous side hewspapers of the south. There can be ble prices. of everything. He was a good lawyer, no debate about the desirableness of

The southern states, with five milof them was a woman or a widow. One almost entirley shut up to the products and other cities at profitable prices. devilish. The old time justice court swarm about every local and state board ence. was a good school for a young lawyer. that has to deal with the adoption of

This is not a matter of sentiment him that Fretman gave powerful long lines that have grown up in the east girls amazing, especially with Sally men competent to write school text Amanda Jones. Fretman was a good- books peculiarly adapted to our needs, looking yankee, with pink cheeks and and we ought not longer to be without winning way, and was popular with the the mean of encouraging their work as they called her, diden't go out at plant out of the patronage we now give

It is sincerely to be hoped that the show her how. Troup said he heard Charleston meeting will result in a her squeal one day, and peeped through practical plan that will move steadily to the crack and saw Fretman squeezing the desired consummation. Atlanta is the place for the location of such an Old Phil Davis was the justice court, | industry and our enterprising citizens should see to it that her bid is such a one as the gentlemen concerned cannot and will not ignore.

## AiHappy Enoch Arden.

Kome 29 years ago A. C. Teston then but 20 years of age, led to the trembled all over like a cold, wet dog. Florida, where they lived for some altar Julia Fillmon, in Pasco county, time, finally removing to Jesup, Ga. spelt it correctly. He then spelt him Here fortune frowned on young Teston from time to time, and 10 years later he left his home and family, consisting of a wife and five chilnren, and sought the gold fields of California to catch Dame Fortune's smile. Years passed by, and the wife and children heard nothing from the absent husband and Florida, fully convinced that he was dead. Eight years ago Mrs. Teston, believing, of course, she was a widow, was married to T. C. Dormany, of Bartow, and since that time has been living with him in that city. Teston in the meantime had heard of his wife's remarriage, continued to stay away, and incidentally amassed a small fortune, having been very successful in his mining operations. Some 10 days ago, however, he decided to return to his daughter. His wife heard of his return and they have decided to be united again, as her second marriage is illegal, pression that husband No. 1 was dead. has presented each of them with a thou-

# "For the Pe ople to Becide."

This is the work not of a cay, but of a generation. But when the time comes that the trust is executed and the ability of the Filipinos for self-Canada walks with England, they-

"Yes, sir; my sister." (Collapse of me and says if I expect to rate as a gentostudy how to get money without months and that General Reyes will bunsel.)

THE TWENTY-THIRD PSALM.

and I shall not want

Every old veteran who has the grip E'en though my bread be but a crust, my roo be mean, my fire burn low, with a diviner glow.

presence leadeth me: ting care I see.

Yea, when I walk within the vale where death black shadow glooms the way, shall not fear; the Lord my God will guide m feet and be my stay.

Beyond that vale no heart is torn, no eye wil tears of anguish wet; His word it is the solid rock whereon my hous of hope is set.

O long and long the way He leads His children to their destined place; A-many suns must rise and sink ere we ma look upon His face; But sometime, be it e'er so far, the way will lea

to His door, And we will bide at His dear side forever an -Frank Putnam, in National Magazine.

#### Don't Depend Entirely on Cotton. eorgia Home Journal.

Houston farmers have learned by personal experience that they cannot

They have also learned that they sell many things that a few years ago

Recently hay by the car load, meat by the wagon load, cows by the drove, sirup in barrels, corn and peas in large the plaintiff and defendant unless one lions of children in the schools, are quantities have been sold in Macon

Having learned these things, Houshe regaled us with his experiences in text books. They cover this section ton farmers have profited and will conjustices' courts when he was young and with their agents and agencies and tinue to do so by means of this experi-

Just now it seems that circumstances He not only practiced law in it, but the text books for our schools. Their and conditions are conspiring to curtail squire nor the jury knew their mean-up, but that furnishes no argument any rate, our farmers are determined learned length and lingering sound. I books in the south and the keeping at products needed on the farm, and some still remember the Fretman case that home of the ten to fifteen millions of to sell, if their efforts and the seasons

## A Georgia Boy on Spring.

Spring is the most pleasantest season of the year, 'cept Christmas an' Fo'th July. It is then that Ma tells Pa to take down the stovepipe an' the stovepipe breaks in two or three pieces, an' the sut falls on Pa's head an' runs down his neck, an' Pa says darn the stovepipe an' Ma stops her ears an' saye he'll never git to heaven if he girl scholars. Sometimes Salamander, and build up a great home publishing don't keep his mouth shut. In springtime Pa takes me fishin', an' says the best way to carry bait is in a jug, as the bait might wiggle out of a can. Then he tells me to fish, while he keeps the flies off the jug, and when evenin' comes, an' its time to go home, Pa says he's so tired that he wish I'd run Home an' tell the hired man to fetch a wheelbarrow for him. An' when he gits Home he tells Ma that he reckons he's boss of that house; an' Ma takes him by the ear and leads him to bed. Yes, spring is the most pleasantest season of the year.

#### His Definition of Eternity. Washington Post.

"The best illustration of what eternity s, with its endless flight of time," said a Western member of Congress the The wisdom was the wisdom of God and in an occupation which requires the other day, "was one I heard given by the spirit was the Spirit of God. As with a preacher who was conducting a revival at a Colorado mining camp. The revival had been well attended, but there was a poor harvest of souls, and the rough old preacher depicted the joys of heaven and the tortures of hell with discouraging results. One evening he announced that the revival would close with that meeting unless the sinners showed a desire to repent. He then depicted the sufferings of the lost, and in telling them how long it would before they would be freed from their environment of brimstone and hell, he said:

"'You will suffer for all eternity. Do you know what that means? I'll tell you. If a little sparrow was to dip his bill in the Atlantic ocean and take one hop a day and hop across the country and put that drop in the Pacific ocean and then hop back to the Atlantic, one hop a day, and if he kept that up until the Atlantic was dry as a bone, i wouldn't be sun-up in hell."

"It isn't necessary to add that mourners came to the bench that night and the meeting continued for some

#### Up to the Limit. Kansas City Journal.

Several years ago a Southern Kansas politician who had an excellent reputation for not paying his debts found himself a defendant in a lawsuit. He employed Archie Williams, now general attorney for the Union Pacific, to defend him. Williams won the case. After the verdict for the defendant w returned, the politician asked Mr. Williams the amount of his fee.

"It is \$200," said Williams. "Great Scott, Archie," said the politician, "that isn't enough. Why, you earned \$1,000, and you must make out "No, I won't do it," replied Williams. "I am too poor a man. Two

"Are you going to marry when you grow up?" asked a visitor of 5-years-old

bundred is all I can afford to lose."

Bessie.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON VIII, FIRST QUARTER, INTER NATIONAL SERIES, FEB. 23.

Text of the Lesson, Acts vi, 1-15. not taken into account their herediby Rev. D. M. Stearns.

[Copyright, 1902, by American Press Association. 1, 2. "It is not reason that we should leave the word of God and serve tables." This was the decision of the twelve when there began to be some murmuring among the disciples concerning the daily ministration of things temporal. As the number of the disciples multiplied it could hardly be expected that in these newborn sumption where the air is hot and babes there would not be manifest some phases of the old nature, some of the works of the flesh, such as wrath, strife, surgings and such like (Gal. v, 20). Even Peter, James and John might remember quite a number of things in their own light. Such people should avoid, as lives, even after they had been a year or much as possible, working in cellars. two with Christ, which were of the flesh and not of the spirit; so it is to be hoped that while they determined that they could not take time to see to these seemingly unspiritual affairs they were patient

with the murmurers. 3, 4. "We will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the the word. They recognized the importance and the difficulty of attending to the daily ministration, for they saw the necessity of a committee of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom.

5, 6. "They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip." The other five are not mennecessarily anything against them. Philip is mentioned sixteen times and Stephen, who became the first martyr for Christ, is mentioned seven times. If the mind of the majority is a correct guide, then the appointing of this committee was the proper thing, for the suggestion pleased the whole multitude. There was something in those days in the laying on of hands (I Tim. iv, 14; II Tim. i, 6), but it was not confined to the hands of the apostles (Acts ix, 17; xiii, 3). The laying on of hands in our day is not unlike the shaking of hands; sometimes there are exercise. The occupation of a printer. life and inspiration and sometimes a chill a cutler, a tile-maker, or a brakeman. Barnabas, the son of consolation, was is said to be especially dangerous for like Stephen, a man full of the Holy those who have a consumptive ten-Ghost and of faith (chapter xi, 24). There is no reason why each believer should not be so filled.

7, 8. "And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people." The word of God increased, or, as in xii, 24, "grew and multiplied," and in xix, 20, "grew mightily and prevailed." The number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great company of the priests became believers. It was truly a great and mighty work of the Spirit of God and was not confined to the apostles, for Stephen, willing to serve tables, was greatly used, God working wonders and miracles by him. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth (Rom. i, 16), and as the word is preached the Spirit works, convincing of sin and righteousness and judgment. When a servant of Christ preaches the occupation, good food, and, as a rule, that it will accomplish His pleasure and grinding and annoying things which never return to Him void (Isa. lv, 11). We may learn a lesson of assurance from the devil in this matter, for when he anxiety about their growth, for he went his way, sure that they would grow (Matt. xiii, 25). Let us have faith in God of power (Luke i, 37, R. V).

9, 10. "They were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake." The Lord Jesus had promised a mouth and wisdom which no adversary could gainsay or resist (Luke xxi, 15), and this was a fulfillment of His promise. the Lord Jesus the words and works were all the Father's, so in these Spirit filled men the words and works were all the Lord's (John xiv, 10; xvii, 18). We think of the night in Gethsemane when, in re one eye, or who has defective eyeply to their saying that they sought Jesus sight, to become an engraver or unof Nazareth, He simply said, "I am," and they went backward and fell to the ground. It was the same word that healed the leper, cast out demons, rebuked fevers and all manner of disease, stilled the storm and, away back in the beginning, created all things. What do we know of the power of His word in us or through us, or of the experience of Paul in these words: "Striving according to His working which worketh in me mightily?" (Col. i, 29.)

11, 12. "They caught him and brought him to the council." The adversary can stand ten thousand ordinary believers of the Laodicean stamp and be not a whit afraid of them, but let a Peter or a Stephen, filled with the Spirit, stand boldly for Christ and the resurrection, and the devil will do his best to stop them. The power of God in Stephen was more than Satan could put up with, and so he stirs up the rulers and the people to lie about him and to arrest him.

13, 14, "And set up false witnesses. So Jezebel did to Naboth, and so these same rulers did to our Lord Jesus. It was written concerning Him, "False witnesses did rise up; they laid to My charge things that I knew not." "They that hate Me without a cause are more than the hairs of Mine head; they that would destroy Me, being Mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty" (Ps. xxxv. 11: and begged for food. After eating he lxix, 4). We must, if we follow Him was taken ill. A hungry call was set t fully, expect the same treatment He received, for "all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution" (II thought that his stomach was so weak the Himself soid "II"). iii, 12), and He Himself said, "If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you" (John xv, 20). 15. "And all that sat in the council,

looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel." He Tid-Bitswas no doubt thinking of the Lord Jesus and all that Christ had endured for him. By faith he saw Christ and not these wicked witnesses or rulers, and the glory of Christ was seen upon him. We are wrongfully accuse us and lay to our charge things we know not, but we should consider it as blessed fellowship with Christ, remembering His own words, "Blessed are ye when men shall revile Bessie.

"No," was the reply, "I'm going to be a widow, because they always have such pretty black clothes and look so happy."

It is rumored that president Diaz of Mexico, intends to retire within six months and that General Reyes will appearance of Stephen with the time of his martyrdom, but it was before he gave his address to the council. May we ever so see Jesus that we shall reflect His always all months and that General Reyes will so see Jesus that we shall reflect His always all manner of evil against you talsely tor My sake; rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven" (Matt. "Why, Mary," he continued, "you remember how it was with yourself. I have heard you say more than once that you wouldn't marry the best man alive."

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"Well, I didn't," said Mrs. Martin.

#### EVERY PACULTY SHOULD HAVE FULL PLAY.

Adam S. Desmond in Success.

Many people start in life greatly handicapped. They do not fit into their surroundings, or else they have Memory Verses 7, 8-Golden Text, tary tendencies and the effect of their Matt. x, 28-Commentary Prepared occupation upon some of their constitutional weaknesses. They are in some way placed at great disadvantage in the race for success.

A youth, for instance, who has a naturally weak heart engages in an occupation which necessitates severe muscular exertion, or great mental strain, and, of course, he fails.

Men who have a tendency to comclose, and nearly always impure, or where they are exposed to a constantly wet or damp atn osphere, and are shut off from the light-giving sun-

Those who have a strong rheumatic tendency engage in business where they are exposed to the wet and damp, as in the army, or else they follow the occupation of a policeman, or postman, etc. People of very delicate physiques often expose themselves to word." They would not serve tables, but great extremes of heat and cold; as they would pray and search and teach for instance, in marine engineering, or in manufacturing which requires exposure to high temperature.

Statistics show that printers, shoemakers, tailors, chemists, druggists, railway employees, coachmen, etc., have high mortality, especially when they have inherited weaknesses which tioned again after this verse, which is not are aggravated by these occupations. It is said that the death rate from circulatory diseases is especially high among grocers and shoemakers of low vitality and weak heart-action.

A young man with a de icate, consumptive constitution, who studies medicine, takes a great risk, because of the irregular hours, the exposure and exhaustive duties of a physician. Clerkships are dangerous als, for their tendencies to stooping and lack of dency.

Those who have weak digestions should avoid occupations where irreg. ularity of meals is unavoidable, and where loss of sleep and coarse food

are necessary, or cannot be avoided. Young men with weak wills, who have very little self-control, should avoid occupations which involve great temptation, as in selling spirituous liquors or working in hotels, etc. Commercial travelers are especially open to very great temptations, as they have no homes, and stop here and there in places along their routes.

The clergy are the longest-lived persons, even longer than the farmers. This is due largely to their healthy word of God, he has a right to believe the absence of all the wearing and whittle away a business man's life. Furthermore, high ideals and good moral living are conducive to

longevity. Dr. Ogle, a great English authority, says that the lowest mortality is not that He will take care of His own word only experienced by the clergy, but and that no word from God shall be void also that this mortality is still tending to decrease. It is noticeable, however, he says, that the mortality of Catholic priests is very high; perhaps celibacy affects the proportion.

> No parent would think of advising a son who has lost one arm to engage use of two; he would think it ridiculous to advise him to work on a railroad as a civil engineer. No one would think of advising a son who has lost dertake any work which requires especially good eyes. But these same parents do not hesitate to recommend a son who has not the slightest idea of logical distinctions, or of legal accumen, to choose the profession of law, or to advise a weak and delicate s n to take a clerkship behind a counter, or else to work at some occupation where he would be obliged to be out of the sunlight.

> A barber told me, recently, that his ambition and taste pointed toward music, but that his father had taken from him his violin which he had bought only after great self-denial. His father would not allow him to study or practice the art which haunted his dreams and which spoke in every fiber of his being.

# Hungry Man Dies After Eating a Meal

Shivering with the cold and in want of something to eat, Patrick Bean, 65 years old, of 531 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn, called yesterday at the home of James P. Kearney of 893 Kent avenue that it was unable to assimilate the

## Mrs. Martin's Oppotunity .-

food.

Mr. Martin was talking at the dinner table, in his usual clever manner, about the inconsistency of women.

"These young ladies who protest that apt to think it very hard when people they are never going to marry!" he broke out. "Everybody knows they will belie their own words at the very first opportunity."

He paused, and evidently hoped that

"Well, I didn't," said Mrs. Martin.