

immersion, have renounced their error and united with Baptist churches."

We note this as a significant fact. And it should also be remarked that the great majority of these conversions have occurred in those regions where the Bible Union sentiment predominates, and where Baptist ministers are not afraid to preach immersion as the believer's first and heaven-appointed duty.—*N. Y. Chronicle.*

A VOICE.

"A fool speaks all his thoughts; but a wise man keepeth them until afterwards" I have been one of Solomon's fool's all my days. You will now, therefore, bear a little with me in my folly. I have heard from heaven *commanding*, "lay not up for yourselves treasures on the earth; but in heaven"—"Set your affections on things above; not on things on the earth." "Be ye fruitful in every good word and work." Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." You will scarcely expect me to say anything original on a subject which has employed so many vigorous minds and powerful pens. The most that I can hope is to stir up your minds by way of remembrance; and I shall greatly rejoice if the following remarks suggest to your candor any fresh motive prompting to more effective action.

My Brethren, I deeply regret—I am pained within me—because I see the struggles of the christian race, the sacrifice of the christian warfare, the victories of the christian soldier, so much neglected and forgotten. The love which our dear Saviour taught and recommended, both by his doctrine and practice, includes all the other virtues of the christian character; while without it, every other virtue is dross.—But the love of this world has so far estranged the minds of many from the love of God and their neighbor, that they fall before Mammon, and seemingly say, "This is thy God, O Zion." Not long since, by request, I called on a professor of religion who received and treated me kindly. He showed me his farm, his crops, and his comfortable dwellings; and appeared to rejoice in the possession of property, stating that he had a son-in-law immensely rich in landed property, and likewise having one thousand dollars on interest; and his benevolence was such that he gave as much as twenty dollars per year to support the Gospel and old broken down preachers. I heard all patiently, and, as Solomon's fool, replied:—"I know one Disciple, brother, who to one object pays one hundred dollars per year, apart from sustaining schools, missionary operations, &c. This is benevolence honoring to God, and worthy of a disciple of his Son; but of the benevolence of your son-in-law, both you and he should be ashamed—nor do I believe he will ever see God unless he learns to lay hold on eternal life, by being willing to communicate, ready to distribute, and laying up for himself a good foundation against the time to come, and more also"; and then asked him how he liked to be thus whipped? I like our own preachers to whip me, but not others. When I see the enemy's flag up, I am always for war; my sword is good, sir. He acknowledged its keen edge. I then took my leave. Here, brethren, is a good specimen of that principle which drowns