### The Voice of the Guide.

Walking through an unknown region, Tangled thicket, briar and thorn, Weaving barriers dark and legion : Shadows on the face of morn, Noontide hid in brooding tempests, Nightfall coming cold and gray; Lord, we thank thee for the promise, Star-like in thy Word today !

Give us listening ears to hear it; Give us faith to follow on. Through the clouds unrifted cover All the glory of the sun. "Thou shalt hear a voice behind thee !" Do we, waiting as we pray, Bweet from heaven discern its cadence ? Tread with courage, "This the way ?"

Lord, so many thoughts beset us ; Lord, so many whispers press On the silence of the spirit, Pilgrim in this wilderness: Only as thy voice commands us, Only as our hearts obey, Are we safe, and sure of reaching Home at ending of the way.

Lord, when we are worn and weary, Lord, when faith is weak and faint, Give us then, we pray, then to hear thee, Hush the moaning of complaint. Thou shalt hear a voice behind thee ! Star-like beams the Word to-day ! And we listen, and we journey, God himself our strength and stay. MARGARET E. SANGSTER.

### The Empress of China.

Through one of those unusual Can't help it. It's hard times. providences, so beyond the range Tater bugs are eatin' all my patch. of human foresight, the young em- Hay crow looked as though 'twould press of China, in the past few amount to somethin', but we ha'n't weeks, has heard something of the had a bit of weather to git it in. Gospel story. How has it reached Mine's spilin'. Look down in that her in her secluded hours ? A year medder. Ten tons there nigh 'bout or two ago a Chinese tailor became rotten. Beats all what nasty interested in the truth he heard in a weather we do have. street chapel, grew to be an inquir-

the explanation of them from other | ea, proud and happy wife. When But these are all too seldom found. members of the family. Truly it is her husband had gone to the peni- The majority are found waiting for a gracious providence that has tentiary, she came with her three help at every turn. And to father, brought to her the opportunity of hildren to a neighborhood in my mother, brother, sister, or the suchearing even a little of Christian parish, and soon gained the reputa- cessful friend who has had the courtruth before the palace gates close tion of being queer. She told me age to grapple with adverse circumupon her and shut her away from her sorrow, but not until I had dis- stances and conquer them, he appeals the outside world. Shall not closed my knowledge of it, and again and again for aid, and they Christendom pray that impressions showed her letters from friends who give it. But there is little or no immade may be deepened by the Spirit, had asked me to seek her out. I provement in his condition; and the and that there may be results in the asked her if some of the ladies of very aid that should have enabled palace and for China from the seed- the church might call on her. She him to get a footing from which to

#### -----Mr. Brown's Subscription.

Beach, in Advance.

Tell ye, I can't give another cent. Deacon Wilds!

Wish you could see your way clear to do so. I think we could unite on this man if each could only pay a little more. Can't, I tell you. A little more! Why, I can't give so much as I gave

last year. Do you like Mr. Akers?

Yes. Like him first-rate. Good gospel sermons. Gives it to the Pharisees and hypocrites good. hope the people will unite on him. But, Brother Brown, its no use

to unite on the minister unless we unite our purses, too. A few of us cannot pay for the preaching of the many, especially when the many are better off than the few. We must pay the laborer.

Excuse my plainness, Brother er and finally joined the Congrega- Brown, but who ordered the weathtional church. When the trousseau er? Seems to me this is a good of the imperial bride was to be time to do what you were asking us

sowing of these days ?-Mrs. Lucy shuddered as she replied : "Oh, no ! advance, has left him instead weak I don't want to make any acquaint- and more dependent, from the very ances; I dont want any one to fact that he feels that where he fails know about it." After the ushers others will make up his loss to him, have taken their seats at the even- and he fails to make the effort he

ing service, I sometimes see this would if he had only himself between woman slip into the rear pew, and him and want. Our primary need she is gone before the benediction. in ever character that would develop When the stain comes upon the a sturdy manhood or womanhood is home, the curtains come down at the ability to decide for self any and the windows. The children are all questions; for where this quality kept from the day school, from the is wanting the individual invariably Sunday-school, and from associa- asks some other one's opinion, and tion with playmates on the street. if he acts on this one's judgment Frequently the little cottage is of- now, and again on some other one's, fered for sale. The family moves there will be apparent in his life a hurriedly, almost at random, to an- strange consistency of behavior that other place. Their conduct does will mystify friends and repel acnot invite acquaintance. The chil- quaintances, and destroy all personal dren are restrained from finding as- influence. Now this quality of selfsociates. Calls are not returned. reliance, although to some extent a Schools are shunned. An impres natural endowment, must be cultision quickly gains footing in the vated. This many parents prevent neighborhood that there is some- by preparing everything to the hand thing strange about this new family. of their children, so that no effort Soon will come a rumor, followed by on their part is required to realize confirmatior, of the crime and dis their wishes. And, as a rule, chilgrace. Exaggerationsaggravatethe dren of such parents are not the account ; gossips toss their heads at men and women that become famous. each other, and say they had known It is the rare exception that a youth something all the time ; and there reared in luxury and ease rises above is a general agreement by all parties mediocrity in anything. On the to give this family a wide distance. other hand, it is the sons and Children learn of it; some of them daughters of humble cottagers, who think it is brave to throw it up to from very infancy have been thrown the children of that household, and upon their own resources, first for there is sorrow and weeping at night amusement as they lay in the cradle

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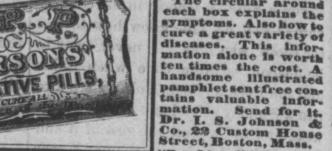


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# RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

made, various reasons led to his be- to do last night.

is an earnest Christian, and when whose words in prayer-meeting did he went with his employes to this not very often mingle with his week home to work on the bridal gar- day thoughts. ments, he carried his New Testa-

up. It was prettily bound with gilt-edged leaves, and she asked, I don't see. "What is this nicely bound book ?' she was in a room with a younger me it is a good time for God's child

That a girl under seventeen, soon a good time to trust? to be an empress, within a month or or two of her wedding, and in the new religion, shows a mind and heart one is glad the Empire of China is going to possess.

of the bride (her mother is not live and land as to any of the church. ing,) was also interested in the If all gave less instead of more, we tailor's book, and had several con- should starve the minister, supposing what my elder sister was to me all make it right again? versations with him about it. One he was foolish enough to come. day a bright thought occurred to Have you seen Esquire Dhim. He said: "We have some- and Colonel S \_\_\_\_\_? How much'll recognized comparatively little of it that we have a dozen things to do thing new at the mission which you | they give? probably have never seen-a stereopticon. It has pictures which il- Colonel S ---- says he's lost a lot how much she did to make home at- speak one word at at a time, see one ustrate this doctrine and make it on the Mt. Blank railroad. Esquire tractive and my childhood a very thing at a time. For every duty more easy to be understood. How D---- is hard pushed on account pleasant one. would you like to have it brought of building his new house. here for you to see ?"

The Duchess agreed readily, and money enough, got a pile on't. the tailor went at once to one of the missionaries to consult him. The brother-let's, you and I, do just young gentleman who had recently ultaneous; but no mortal can live missionary, Mr. Ament of the what we think the Lord would have come into the community. American Board, called in one of us, no matter what the squire and Oh, well, said a friend, I'll tell call one act or one moment of the the native helpers-a young man of colonel give. If they give less per- you where he learned his ease and past. much quickness of mind and social haps we ought to give more. Every- finished manners; he grew up with attractiveness, and a born teller of body has some excuse for not giving. a lot of sisters, and they always destories-and let him practice one Suppose we find excuses for giving: pended on him to help them when evening in exhibiting magic-lantern We need a minister. He must be they had company, and they consultpictures, and early the next week he with the tailor and one of the em-ployes made their way to the home of the Duchers. They found a hont the means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the prove hear the heart the heart the means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means for it is all his of the Duchers. The means of the Duchess. They found about lend us the means, for it is all his. Commend us to these boys who going out? Do we hear the heart Corkscre thirty of the family gathered in a Come, brother, let's put our names have grown up with a lot of sisters.

ing chosen for the work. The man | What's that? said Mr. Brown,

I think I heard you say, last ment with him. As he sewed he night, you wished to glorify God in kept it open on a table by him, and all things. Seems to me, brother, the young Empress herself took it this is a good time to glorify him. What on airth air you drivin' at?

Why, anybody not a Christian can The tailor explained to her that it glorify God when the potatoes are was part of the Christian Scriptures, flourishing and skies are clear, and and told her something of its con the hay crop all right; when the tents, and she occasionally took it purse and barns are full, and everyup and read a little in it. One day thing goes to my liking. Seems to sister when she saw one of the ren to trust him when things look tailor's employes going through the dark. A good time to say to the court. She sent a servant to call world, we have a wise and good him to her, and when he came in Father, who knows what he is about, from Tom Blake and Bill Harris? One perfect stitch at a time ! So she shut the door and said, "Now I and what we need. I am not going They've got good homes and good the fabrics of lace worth fabulous want you to tell me about this new to pray 'Thy will be done' and then parents, but Tom and Bill are as prices are made. So the exquisite

Tain't in natur.

So it isn't, brother; but isn't it in doors. midst of preparations for it, could grace? You like the minister, then,

Sartin.

The old Duchess, the grandmother to you about as much of his money constantly felt.

Perhaps so; but I tell you what, ity in entertaining shown by a much of our work may be done sim-

bably leads some of the family into if they would have any; these are crime and infamy; or the misery the characters who, having learned may simply be borne, with some re- thus early this very important lesson, lief through frequent removals only have developed into the self-made to incur the same in each succeed- men and women that have blessed ing neighborhood. A woman said the world.-Burlington Hawkeye. to me: "It has followed us whereever we have gone ; not a person before has come to talk kindly to me; and only the other day a neighbor called and said she wished I would keep my children in : she did not wish her's to play with them, for reasons which she presumed she question was addressed. need not name.' She added, "I don't know what to do."

## A Sister's Influence.

seem to know the difference between costly garments of men and women the inside of the house and out- are put together. One perfect

Well, the fact was that Frank The noblest lives are lived one still take pains to seek for informa- and think that we had better keep Sawyer had sisters, and it was im- moment at a time. No moments

Said a gentleman in our hearing again. But who can reverse the not long since: I can, never tell tide of time, undo a wrong act, and through my growing up. I knew One stitch at a time ! Sometimes nothing of her value to me as a boy, we become confused with the thought

----Young Men Depend On Yourselves.

and more shrinking by day. Reck- while the mother toiled, and later to lessness may supervene, which pro- improvise playthings for themselves

One Stitch at a Time.

What is the secret of your beautiful work ? asked a friend, looking at an exquisite piece of crochet work, wrought by the lady to whom the

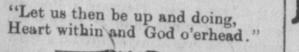
There is no secret about it, replied the lady; I only make every stitch as perfect as I can, and am careful always to put it in the right place. There isn't a wrong or careless stitch I wonder, said Mrs. Eaton, what in all that work. If I make a mismakes Frank Sawyer so different take, I ravel it out, and correct it. fret because God does it. Isn't this tough as young Indians, and never embroideries are wrought. So the

stitch at a time.

possible to feel that the inside of wasted; no moments carelessly or the house was the same as outdoors, viciously spent. Wrong stitches in But who is to pay him! Excuse where the presence and influence of crochet can be raveled out and made my plainness, but God has intrusted either older or younger sisters were right. Wrong stitches in garments can be picked out and made right

as a young man; but now I have at once. But that is a mistake. Oh, they say it is hard times too! reached years of maturity I realize We can do but one thing at a time,

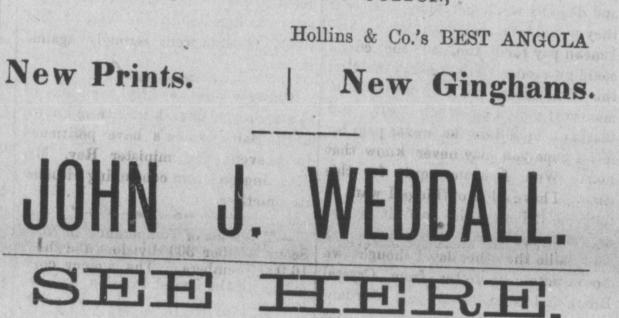
really required of us, we have time And again, it was but a little given to do it in. We may pass Humph! They've both on em got while ago a lady was speaking of rapidly from task to another, we the gentle manner and unusual abil- may construct engines by which





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room with the requisite white wall, down. Supposing we give more We have often heard a gentleman and there with the lantern-picture than we did last year, in spite of remark regretfully: I never had a his hands strengthened, his enillustrations, they told the story of potato bugs and bad weather, and sister; that was something I missed. the life of Christ. There seems to our own stingy hearts. Let us We feel for them a genuine pity not, we who love our church do not be no way in which so vivid an im- glorify God by giving and trusting that they should have missed so love as we ought those who are or-

people might have had the same afore. Guess you've got the right great influence they are exerting, pastor should be sustained by your things read or told to them twenty on't, deacon. Put me down for ten or might exert, over their brothers? times, and yet not have had them so dollars more'n last year.-Congregafixed in their memory as by this one tionalist.

evening's looking at the beautiful pictures. That they were interested and appreciative could be seen by the remarks made. At the table consequences of crime that picture of Christin a manger, some- one's family must suffer with the one asked : "And what are those perpetrator, and also that the repu-"What a fine-looking child he has life; but it is pitiful to read such a

### ----The Families of Prisoners.

Of course, it is one of the inevialong and give you a lift. There Roland. are thousands of young people to-day shepherds doing ?" On seeing Jesus tation of the criminal, as such, must to shuffle off this mortal coil and in the temple, they remarked : in some degree follow him through leave them a few thousands. Then, grown to be !" And at the picture portrayal as the following from the trying, and they will shortly double them, and a burden of account at June 20. deeply and said: "How sad! He exchange, and it ought to move result. But the young men and them. -M. Henry. was such a good man, and yet his every one to treat, with the most women who have the courage to If it be true for me, that "the

careful consideration those women start at once on their life-work, and blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from Although the future Empress and children who are under a leave future difficulties to be over- all sin," then, by the grace of God, would not venture to be present at shadow on account of crimes com- come as they appear, are those for I will henceforth live as one should OF ALL KINDS IN CHILDREN OR

Chinese as this. This company of Strange I never saw that way family realize even slightly the difficult duties of his office your MEN'S FURNISHING DEPARTMENT prayers. Certainly in the prayermeeting there is a lack, if the habit of praying for the pastor has fallen

If you would be anything, or do into desuetude. In the united anything in this world, begin atonce, petitions of Gcd's people, prayer for and don't wait for somebody to come the pastor should have a place.—Dr. -----

There is a burden of care in get ting riches; fear in keeping them; temptation in using them ; guilt in or treble the sum, and a fortune will last to be given up concerning

such a gathering, she yet can not fail to hear about the pictures and I found a mother, once an educat-I found a mother, once an educat-problems and develop its resources. blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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