

Editor's Portfolio.

ARTICLES WANTED.

THE main object of "*Earnest Christianity*" is to keep before the Church the doctrine and experience of Christian perfection, and it is of the utmost importance that the whole subject should be presented in a clear, Scriptural, and attractive light. To aid us in so important a work, we earnestly invoke the assistance of those who may be moved by the Holy Ghost to write on the subject. What we want is a series of short, clear, pointed, Scriptural papers on the various phases of the Higher Christian Life, to be published first in "*Earnest Christianity*," and afterwards in tract form for general distribution. It is desirable that each paper, except the first, should not exceed the limits of an ordinary eight page tract. The topics are the following:—

- I.—FULL SALVATION; *or*, The Scripture Doctrine of Christian Perfection. [May extend to 16 pages.]
- II.—THE TWO STATES; *or*, Regeneration and Sanctification defined.
- III.—PRESENT SALVATION; *or*, Does the Bible teach that entire Sanctification is the Believer's present privilege?
- IV.—PERFECTING HOLINESS; *or*, How to attain Christian Perfection.
- V.—PERFECT DAY; *or*, The Distinct Witness of Christian Perfection.
- VI.—SURE FOUNDATIONS; *or*, How to be Established in Holiness.
- VII.—WITNESSING FOR JESUS; *or*, Why, When, Where, and How should we profess Christian Perfection?
- VIII.—"IS THERE NOT A CAUSE?" *or*, Why we should make Christian Perfection a Specialty.
- IX.—THE CHURCH'S NEED; *or*, How we may promote Christian Perfection.
- X.—DEFENCE OF THE GOSPEL; *or*, Objections to Christian Perfection Answered.

Please send in articles without delay. We would like to publish the first in the *February* number.

TAKE COURAGE!

"Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."—1 Cor. xv. 58.

ARISE, and take courage!—
Thy Lord goes before thee:
Fight thou the good fight,
For thy God and His glory.
Return to thy fortress
That cannot be taken,
And rest on thy Rock
That no earthquake hath shaken.

The waves of destruction
Shall never come nigh thee,
The danger thou fearest
Shall harmless pass by thee;
Because thou hast made
The Lord's name thy salvation,
Thy tower of defence
In the day of temptation.

Take the strong shield of faith
That God's soldiers inherit,
The helm of salvation,
The sword of the Spirit;
Thy loins gird with truth,
And thy breast guard from evil,
And so shalt thou stand
'Gainst the wiles of the devil.

Not alone in the combat
In which thou hast striven;
Look above—for behold there
The Lamb slain, in heaven!
Then fear not the path,
Dark, untrodden before thee;
Arise, and be strong,
For thy God and His glory!