

was an accomplished fact, no one rejoiced more than Bro. Carroll, although he regarded it only as a partial measure—a step in the right direction. In this new publication (a tract of 8 pages) he returns to his favourite theme. Every one who knows Bro. C. is aware that he has a heart big enough for half-a-dozen ordinary men; and consequently, when his sympathies are enlisted in a cause, where cautious or timid souls see mountains of difficulty, he sees only mole-hills. Bro. C. advocates compromise, and is of opinion that none of our original principles forbid this. He would give lay representation in all church courts, and participation in all church business, except in the examination of ministerial character; he holds, however, that the chairmen of all church boards should be ministers. He would concede something to our Episcopal Methodist brethren—say an elective General Superintendency, holding office for four years; also, a modified form of presiding eldership, and the ordination of deacons.

From the above outline it will be seen Bro. C. is not inclined to stick at trifles. For our own part we heartily sympathise in his *desire* for union; but we are of opinion that it is not best to push matters too rapidly. In some of the other Methodist bodies the union sentiment is steadily growing, and it will be just as well to let it grow for a time, so that in the event of union, it may be one heartily concurred in by both ministers and people. "Make haste slowly" is now in order.

A TRACT ON CHRISTIAN BAPTISM. By Rev. D. Hunt, Kingsville.

WE owe Bro. Hunt an apology for not having noticed his tract sooner. It was received some time ago, but was mislaid among some other papers. Some may doubt whether controversy on this subject is likely to accomplish much good; but from what we know of the tactics of some of our Immersionist brethren, we don't wonder when those who have to do with them bristle up into controversy. Bro. Hunt wields a trenchant pen, and he is by no means mealy-mouthed in the application of his facts and arguments. We have no doubt he *loves* his Baptist brethren as in duty bound; but it is pretty evident he doesn't *like* them very much. The circulation of this tract would do good service in many localities.

THE RELIGION OF LIFE. By the Rev. J. G. Manly. Toronto: Wesleyan Book Room.

IN this unpretending little volume we have a singularly thoughtful exposition—critical and homiletical—of the ever memorable conversation between Christ and Nicodemus. The theme is old, yet ever new, and it loses none of its freshness and interest in Mr. Manly's hands. We heartily welcome this venture in what (to Canadian authors at least) is an almost entirely new field, and we trust it will meet with such success as will encourage others to use their biblical scholarship for the edification of the Church at large. Mr. Manly's style is suggestive, at times reminding one of some of the best productions of Dr. Culross. We hope the work will have a large circulation.

A friend having promised us an extended review of this book, we content ourselves for the present with the above brief notice.

"THE CHRISTIAN STANDARD" (Weekly); "THE ADVOCATE OF HOLINESS" (Monthly). Philadelphia: The National Association. "THE BANNER OF HOLINESS" (Weekly). The Western Association for the Promotion of Holiness.

WE group the above together, as they are all devoted to the same subject, and to show how the doctrine of holiness is spreading since the brave little "GUIDE" pioneered the way. There are other publications of a similar stamp, whose names we have noticed in some of our exchanges. Well, there's room and work for all. May witnesses multiply, till scriptural holiness is spread all over the world.