

daughter. She did so; and not long afterward meeting her he saw her face was all aglow, and conjecturing the reason, heard her tell what joy was in her heart because she had led her daughter to Christ. She was no longer discouraged, but became an earnest, Christian worker.

We should urge upon converts the need of an open Christian life. A man in Pennsylvania on going into the oil regions, was told that he might lose his religion. He said there was no danger. So on returning they asked him if he had lost his religion, he said, "Oh no, I didn't let them know I had any." By hiding our light under a bushel, we do no good, and may do a great deal of harm to the cause of Christ.

Converts need continual encouragement, and we are not to expect more of them than we do of the older soldiers of the cross.

We are to train them and to help them, bearing in mind Paul's words to the Galatians, "As we therefore have opportunity let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith, (Galatians vi. 10).

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"I have laid help upon One that is mighty."

Weary in head and heart
With burdens of the day,
Thinkest thou there is no help
Along life's rugged way?
That burdens must be borne
Unlifted to the grave,
With ne'er a voice to cheer
Nor any arm to save?

O man! where'er thou art,
O woman! look, and see
The hand of power outstretched,
Offering in love to thee
The strength thou needest now
And succor day by day,
Lightening the load of life,
And making bright the way.

O grasp the proffered hand,
And feel its thrill of power;
Then, midst life's burdens, stand
Erect, and bless the hour
That led thee to his feet
Whose touch gives victory,
Turns bitterness to joy most sweet
And griefs to minstrelsy.

THE COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE

The Committee on Literature have made some progress during the month. Catalogues and samples have been received by the members of the committee from the Christian Publishing Company. They offer the committee very reasonable discounts on their publications. We hope to hear from the other publishing houses before long. Funds are needed to start the work and the committee hope that the brethren and sisters will contribute liberally. A treasurer has not yet been appointed but we will probably announce one next month. In the meantime any contribution may be sent to the secretary who will acknowledge the receipt of the same in the CHRISTIAN. We expect to have an article on the work by Bro. W. H. Harding in our next issue. Bro. George Fullerton, our chairman, has started the fund with \$1.00. We hope the brethren and sisters will send in their contributions promptly as we are desirous of beginning the work as soon as possible.

O. B. STOCKFORD,
Secretary.

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"I am sick and tired of these border Christians, these church members who are always on the dividing line between the church and the world. First on one side and then on the other. If they are going to be followers of Christ, let them come out squarely on his side, and if they are going to be nothing but border Christians, let them stay on the other side until they get ready to identify themselves wholly with God's people." So said a good man recently. The great curse of the present age is the vast number of border Christians in our churches. They are the least useful and most unhappy people on the face of the earth. While nominally in the camp of Israel, they still long for the flesh pots of Egypt. They have a taste of religion, but not enough of it to brighten, beautify and elevate their lives. We have sometimes thought that a little decided persecution would do good among our churches, making each one "stand up for Jesus" boldly, or forcing him to go to the other side. Dear reader, are you a "border Christian"?—*Central Baptist.*

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