The Unification of the Churches: A Present-Day Study. By Daniel
W. Fisher, D.D., LL.D.; Author of "A Human Life." New York. 1911.
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There is a great deal of discussion of "Christian Union,"
much clamor for it, and not a little effort to make it effective in
union of churches. Not many who set before them this ideal
have faced in calm and analytical fashion all the issues involved
as has Dr. Fisher in this fine little volume. In three chapters
he faces, "The Problem" as seen first, in the fact and reasons for
the present disunion; second, in the good and the ill of the dis-
union; and third, in the principles and methods along which
alone union can be effected. Then three chapters recount the
progress made and making toward union in Christian countries
and on mission fields, with an outlook on the situation. There is
no indulgence in impractical visions, no clamor for union that
is superficial and based on mere compromise. It is a sane dis-
cussion which every one seeking union should read. The author
is sure that union will not come in the recognition of "the his-
torical Episcopate", nor by the acceptance of "only one method
of valid baptism." It is quite true that the two most solid hin-
dering bodies of Christians are the Episcopalians and the Bap-
tists. Let us hope that by the time the other larger denomina-
tions have removed their barriers and come together the way
may be open for Episcopalians and Baptists to enter upon active
and thorough fellowship with their brethren. Meantime all need
to recognize that in whatever measure any of us are dominated
and informed by the one Spirit of Christ we are in His Church
and in a unity.

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troduction by Mary E. Wilkins. New York and Boston. 1911. H. M.
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contented, in her work of compiling the best words men have
spoken on this topic. From two hundred and fifty authors she