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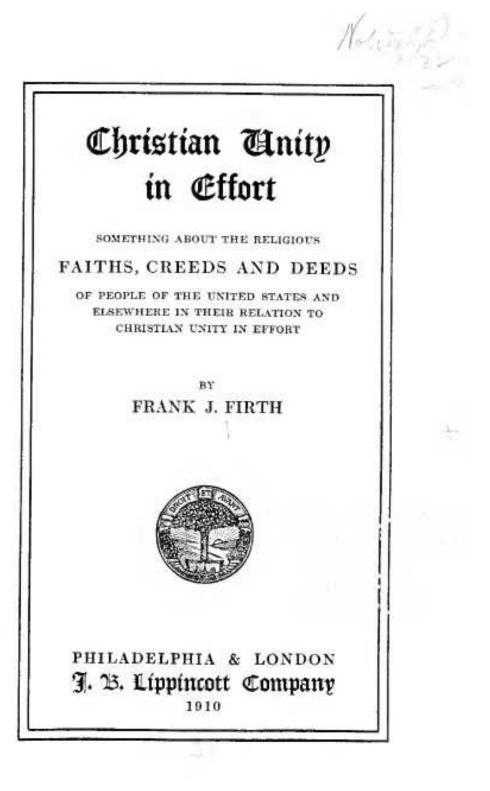
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Printed by J. B. Lippincott Company The Washington Square Press, Philadelphia, U. S. A. THIS BOOK IS DEDICATED TO THOSE WHO, HAVING FOUND GOD IN NATURE, SIN-CERELY SEEK TO KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT HIM AND HIS WILL, AS IT EXISTS IN OUR HOLY BIBLE, AND STRIVE EARNESTLY TO CONFORM THEIR DAILY LIVES TO THE FAITH THEY PROFESS.

EXPLANATORY

This book records some personal thoughts and beliefs, resulting from such reading and listening to the views of others as is practically possible in and following the welloccupied hours of an active business life. It includes quotations from the Bible, and from other books that have been interesting and helpful. The repetitions that appear here and there throughout the book should aid in making its purpose clearer.

It represents a conviction that every man and woman should acquire by individual effort such simple religious knowledge and personal faith as is essential to a wellrounded life here and to a right preparation for what may be beyond; and that intelligent individual observation and thought will make plain the need for organized "Christian unity in effort."

In this age of religious unrest and craving for better things no one should hold in selfish privacy any thought or experience that, if made public, might in any way be helpful to another. If what is here written shall help one earnest and sincere seeker after truth to rise from an earthly atmosphere of indifference, dependence or doubt into a higher and purer life of intelligent faith, this book will have justified its existence.

FRANK J. FIRTH

Germantown Philadelphia, Penna. October 1, 1909

REMEMBER

We will do well if we remember that in matters religious, as in all else, it is possible for people to differ from us in opinion and still be right.

Benjamin Franklin said that those who imagine they alone possess all religious truth are like a man traveling in foggy weather: those at some distance before him on the road he sees wrapped up in the fog, as well as those behind him, and also the people in the fields on each side, but near him all appears clear, though in truth he is as much in the fog as any of them.