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DEDICATION.

TO BAPTISTS CLAIMING APOSTLES AS THEIR PREDECESSORS; TRACING THEIR ECCLESIASTICAL LINEAGE THROUGH APOSTOLIC DOCTRINE, DISCIPLINE, AND ORDINANCES; ENROLLING MARTYRS, WHOSE TESTIMONY AND LOYALTY TO CHRIST HAVE ILLUMINED THE PAGES OF HISTORY; CONTENDING FOR PRINCIPLES WHICH HAVE FREED NATIONS AND USHERED IN THE REIGN OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY; NUMBERING MILLIONS, WITH HUNDREDS OF SCHOOLS AND BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS IN CHRISTIAN COUNTRIES, AND DOTTING PAGAN LANDS WITH THEIR MISSIONS; AND LOOKING FOR THE REUNION OF CHRISTENDOM, AND THE UNIVERSAL ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST, THROUGH THE POURING OUT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND THE RESTORATION OF THE ORDER AND PERFECTION OF THE DISCIPLINE OF THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH,—THIS MANUAL IS DEDICATED BY ONE WHO HOLDS THAT THE IDEAL APOSTOLIC CHURCH IS THE TRUE BAPTIST CHURCH.

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NOTE.

WHILE this Hand-book is offered for promiscuous circulation, it is hoped not a few churches will have it bound up with their respective church manuals, thus giving the feeblest church the prestige of honorable association with its denomination, history, principles, and institutions; and the most effective means of making known, and defending their faith. W. W. Everts, Jr., contributed the first and sixth chapters of this Manual, besides rendering important assistance in preparing the other matter for the press.

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