

brilliant course of seven years, and having fully developed the first principles, explained the system of faith and practice for which they contended, and vindicated them against a host of assailants, terminated its career at the end of the year 1829. It abounds with a variety of well-written and elaborate essays on very interesting topics, of which there are about one hundred from the masterly pen of Mr. Campbell himself. In the pages of the CHRISTIAN BAPTIST, the primitive apostolic gospel—the faith once delivered to the saints—the truth as it is in Jesus, are stated, and defended, and illustrated, with superior ability, as the reader will be convinced of from the selections which it is my design to make from it, and introduce into the pages of this journal. But these admirable essays are not restricted to a vindication of the doctrines of the gospel merely; on the contrary, they embrace a wide range of discussion on the ancient order of things—the constitution, discipline, and practices of the apostolic churches—the house of God, the pillar and ground of the truth—with a bold and fearless exposure of the anti-christian abominations, by means of which “the simplicity that there is in Christ” has been defaced and desecrated, and the profession of Christianity converted into the kingdom of the clergy. These topics being thus stated, discussed, and defended against the opposition of all who had the temerity to attack them, the Christian Baptist, ceased, in order to give place to—

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ERRATA.—Page 72—5th line of Poetry, for “was” read “were.” 8th line—for “sprinkled” read “besprinkled.” 23d line, for “seem” read “seem’d.”

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