

## Advertisement to the Reader.

THE writer of the following letters, is descended of pedobaptist parents ; but was placed in the early part of life, where he generally attended Baptist preaching, and imbibed Baptist principles. On his obtaining a hope of eternal life, he joined a Baptist church, and has been a preacher among that denomination of christians for a number of years. Some years since, he met with a pamphlet in defence of pedobaptist principles, which he read and replied to. After he had written, a considerable time elapsed before any reply came out. During this time, he was led to think much on the subject, and became convinced that some of the arguments he had urged were inconclusive, and in consequence began to fear he was on the wrong side of the question. His first determinations were, to make the perplexed state of his mind public, and he did converse with some of his friends on the subject. Upon further reflection, he thought this would be premature, as his mind was not really decided on the point ; and his attachment to the people with whom he was connected, together with a pressure of worldly business, which about this time came upon him, hindered him from pushing his enquiries to the extent, that he has since done. During the time that has since elapsed, his mind has been in a fluctuating state, sometimes pretty strongly persuaded that the principles of adult baptism were right, at other times fearing that this was not the case. It has only been during the past winter, that he has become fully decided, and that he found he could not conscientiously continue to baptise persons by immersion, who had been previously

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the Church, as a lawful mode of administering  
the ordinance. In 3 letters to Mr. H. C. H. —  
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