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VARIOUS considerations have induced the Writer to send the following pages into the world. A deep sense of the great importance of the doctrine here introduced to the attention, and a painful impression concerning the defective views, in reference to this matter, of many serious and sincere persons, have mainly led to the publication of this little volume. Few doctrines have a more immediate bearing upon experimental and practical religion than that of the "Direct Witness of the Spirit;" yet, perhaps, few have been so greatly misunderstood or misrepresented. To lead to serious thought on this subject,—to meet the difficulties of the candid Inquirer,—and, above all, to raise the tone of piety, by stimulating to the personal enjoyment of this great blessing,—

have been the objects sought to be attained. With unaffected diffidence as to the manner in which he has performed his work, yet with strong confidence in the scriptural character of the statements made, the Writer commits this Essay to the press. May the Great Head of the Church accompany it with his blessing!

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Several years have passed since the last edition of this little Work was exhausted. The author has received numerous testimonies as to its usefulness, and requests for its republication. He again sends it forth, slightly enlarged, with earnest prayers that it may promote the Divine Glory.

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FULL ASSURANCE.

CHAPTER I.

NEXT to the important question, propounded by Bildad the Shuhite to the afflicted Job, "How can man be justified with God?" there is no inquiry more deeply interesting than the one involved in the interrogatory—"How may a sinner know his sins forgiven, and become acquainted with the fact of his adoption into the Divine family?" Few subjects present to the devout and contemplative mind, a more important field for solemn examination and scriptural research than this; and few topics are fraught with consequences more momentous, whether considered in reference to the life that now is, or the one which is to come.