He Leads Us On.

He leads us on By paths we did not know, Upward he leads us. Though our steps be

Though oft we faint and falter by the way, Though storms and darkness oft obscure the

Yet when the clouds are gone,

We know he leads us on. He leads us on

Through all the unquiet years; Past all our dreamland hopes and doubts and fears

He guides our steps. Through all the tangled maze

Of sin, of sorrow, and o'erclouded days We know his will is done, And still he leads us on.

And he at last, After the weary strife, After the restless fever we call life, After the dreariness, the aching pain, The wayward struggles which have proved

> in vain-After our toils are past, Will give us rest at last. -Christian Weekly.

Pastors can do a good thing not. for their people and the cause by persuading every family to take the religious paper. Here is what an able and successful minister says: "I am learning that I cannot afford, as a pastor, to leave my homes without a religious paper. It has been dawning upon me within the last year, that here is a most imthat I must cultivate."

"I don't believe in a personal God," remarked a skeptic to F. R. Jones, a Welsh Presbyterian minister on a railroad train between Toledo and Cleveland.

"Why not?" asked the minister. "Because I can't see him. His existence is not demonstrable, capable of proof, like facts of science.'

The minister asked, "Don't you believe that you are alive, and that I am alive?"

"Yes." he answered.

"Why do you believe it?" "Because I can see you move."

"Well," said the minister, "the locomotive that is drawing this train | underground cell which was used as also moves-is it alive?"

it is alive." "Please tell me whether the en-

gineer is a part of the machinery or a living person ?" "He is a living person," replied

the skeptic

"Now, sir," retorted the minister, "consistency is a jewel-please tell me why you attribute the movement of the locomotive to a living person, universe in motion, is a living person ?"

everywhere and at all times.

creed?" asked his opponent.

which a man believes.'

tion; you believe the opposite. believe in the ruined estate of man difference is there in the bulk of our creed, only that I believe one fellow. "Are you there?" side of the question and you believe the other? Now, sir, when we am not going to stir from here uncome to that point, you have just as | til you come out." much creed on your side as I have advocate your sentiments, but wish | words. to deny me the right on my side."

He was silenced again. scientific demonstration. When and here I am going to stay." put them to the test I take pecur now, with you there like that." har pleasure in the study of chemia. The terror was gone! The very

Alen Wester "he answered

are acquainted with the fact sude and gladness.

ome nate me and forbid them not."-Com | County Court House

stration. You can try it and find which strengtheneth me? - M ark complished. it all that God has represented it to Guy Pearse. be. God says to all, 'Oh, taste and see.' Try it, and experience will attest its truth. Millions have put it to salvation to every one that be-

lieveth." thodox Christian people.

they good people?

excellent good man.'

"what practical benefit do you get discomfort for others. by chauging the religion of your parents for skepticism? Does it a better husband to your wife, a betyou live?"

the minister.

"Yes, an excellent time-piece." a fine gold watch.

"It keeps good time, does it?"

"Well, how would you trade it off? Would it not be for a better ime-piece, one more valuable, rather than an inferior one ?"

"Yes, certainly."

ter, "you are not acting consistently descend into absurd formality, and Profession is not enough. It portant department of my work that, by your own confession, does may be rightfully condemned; but a claim, "I am perfectly holy," is not benefit you at all!

minister, "why do you embrace in- happy and comfortable, will con- plies a character conformed to fidelity in preference to the faith of stantly and unconsciously manifest the law of God; and snch a principle of Christianity is holiness and giving pleasure away. -opposition to sin? Is it not so?

He was speechless. - Weekly Gazette.

---The Power of Christ's Presence.

one of our English prisons was an a place of punishment. Away from "No, but the engineer who runs | the rest of the prison, its utter loneliness and the awful darkness of the place made it greatly dreaded. Amongst the prisoners there was a man of refinement and nervous tempenalty was a fright that haunted | She writes :him day and night. At length there was some alleged offence against the prison discipline for which he was but blind women are not seen so but deny that God, who sets the sentenced to four-and twenty hours frequently. "Why is this?" I in this dungeon. He was led by asked of an old missionary one day. the warders to the place; the door He could not answer. Silenced was opened; and he had to go down child becomes blind, if a girl, it is thodoxy is this endless talk about echoed in the hollow places. Then support, so he is allowed to live.' creed, creed, thrust upon us all was still-a stillness that op-"What do you mean by a man's ness that could be felt. Nervous, since, a little girl was very sick with "I understand by a creed that sank down paralyzed with fear. it was found that her eyesight was Strange and hideous shapes came out | gone, "Well, sir," rejoined the minister, of the gloom and pointed at him. "you have just as much creed as I His brain throbbed as with fever, have. I believe there is a personal and mocking voices seemed to come killed; that, as she was blind, she God ; you believe the opposite doc. from all sides. He felt that before | could not be taught to cook, sew trine. I believe in the incarnation long terror must drive him mad. of the Son of God for our redemp. Then suddenly there came footsteps overhead; and in a quiet tone marry her, and her parents would the chaplain called him by name, have to support her always. you believe the opposite. What Oh, never was any music so sweet. "God bless you," gasped the poor

on mine; but you want the right to that he must have mistaken the distance from the house. In this

you are there," the chaplain repeat- starvation "But," said the skeptic, resuming ed. "I heard you were here and I the attack by another argument, knew what agony it would be to "Christianity is not capable of you, so I came as soon as I could,

we take the sciences, all truths are The poor man could not thank capable of demonstration by experi him enough. "God bless you," he harder, and keep the little one. ments which prove them. You can oried. "Why I don't mind it a bit She did not like it much, but had to

Try. Its propositions are plain and darkness was powerless to hurt capable of proof by facts and experi- whilst his friend was so near, unseen ments which appeal to the senses." but just above. Every now and "You have studied chemistry, then upon the silence came the have you ? inquired the minister cherry voice, Mre you all right?" Well, resumed the minister, wif now, replied the poor fellow, his you are a student of chemistry you voice almost choked with grati-

that charcoal coal and diamond are Ah, so beside us ever He standeth where there were two daughters aged you il suit or not."

the same in their molecules—namely our Almighty and most loving Lord, sixteen and eighteen respectively. Preacher—"Would carbon." Now can you take a mole-our strength and solace. The dark-There was no servant in this house, other trial sermon?" carpot. Thow can you take a more carpot. Thou can you take a more carpot. The carpot. The more carpot. Thou can you take the more carpot. The more carpot. The more carpot. The more carpot. The carpot. The more carpot. The

t and all internal for a long time "Suffer little cl

to the test of their experience, and There are some well-meaning, but have found it 'the power of God un- misguided people who seem to take a mother wishes to be a slave to her The skeptic, then, in a somewhat and courtesy they affect to consider nothing of it, because all young conciliatory spirit, acknowledged only the varnish which covers insin- people are thoughtless. They would that his father and mother were or- cerity, and in their anxiety to show be horrified if they knew that their "The minister inquired, "Were become rude and, consequently, disa- grave for them; they simply do not "Yes, excellent; my father was an set at naught ceremonious observ- and they will think nothing of it; "Well," inquired the minister, ation on some occasions create real labor as a matter of course.

make you a better man? Are you to see things in the right light, that them. We can afford to keep a ter father to your children, a better alities is simply a proper respect for pleasanter without one. Besides, I citizen in the community in which the laws of propriety. The Bible want the girls to learn how to He frankly acknowledged he was which, iffully followed, would secure some day. I waited on them while "Have you a watch?" inquired Ward Beecher said once, in a sermon very willing to wait on me."-Sel. to young men, that they would find a perfect guide to courtesy and good he said, taking it out and displaying manners in the thirtcenth chapter applies to the pew as well as to the of 1 Corinthians by putting in the pulpit. We expect our ministers place of "charity" (so often repeated) to be "holy in all manner of conthe word "politeness."

rudeness, and rudeness is barbarism; the vessels of the Lord." It is not so we who live in this enlightened merely on Sabbath, or during speciage cannot afford to disgrace our- al periods of devotion that we are selves by want of attention to de- enjoined to be holy but at all times "Here again," retorted the minis- corum. The trivial details which in all circumstances. with reason, for you have changed a too stringent insistance upon cer- may be true, but it may be false the creed of your parents for one tain unimportant points of etiquette, and worthless. To say and pro-"Now, my brother," concluded the heart the desire to make others deed and in truth, Holiness imyour parents? Is it not only be- that desire in countless kindly deeds | character will not fail to speak cause you love sin, and the first and words, soothing ruffled spirits for itself. The good tree can-

The train stopped and they separ- the dignity of a Christian duty, to than any form of words. ated. The skeptic seeming loth to be practiced at home and abroad, We think that controversy over part on unfriendly terms, insisted and shown in our relations to others | "Holiness" is to be deprecated. upon the minister's repairing to a upon all occasions. Parents, who Preach the Bible doctrine, and live neighboring dining-saloon and en- rear their children without properly up to it, and your logic will not be joying a good supper at his expense. training them in this important easily resisted. To be like Christ is I have read somewhere that in a large measure, from courteous and Saviour, and so humble the be-

Chinese Treatment of Blind Girls.

A striking illustration of one of the verses of the the seventy-fourth attainments. Psalm—"The dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of perament, much unlike those about cruelty"—is given by Miss O. C. him, to whom the horror of this Stafford, in a letter from China.

It is very common to meet blind men on the streets of a Chinese city,

"Oh," was the answer, "when a on this argument, he branched off the stairs into its depths. The door almost sure to die; for no care is into another objection against Chris- | was shut. The steps of the warders | taken to preserve the life of such a died in the distance; the outermost worthless creature. A boy can be "What I hate," said he, "in or- door was heard as its slamming taught to do more things for his

Then she told me a history that pressed with terror amidst a dark- she knew to be true. Several years and full of imagination, the man small-pox, and when she got well

This was hard, but even her own mother said that she ought to be and keep a house in order, so that when she grew up no man would

Day by day the hard-hearted woman talked in this manner to her husband, until he consented to get "Yes," said the chaplain, "and I rid of the child. He called the little thing to him one day, and tak ing her by the hand led her toward "What, sir?' he cried, fearing a pine thicket on a hill, at some thicket he intended to leave her, to I am not going away so long as be eaten by wolves, or to die of

> As they walked along, however he began to think how cruel it was to thus treat his child; and at last he turned back home and told the mother that he had rather work submit.

The girl is now fifteen, and has learned to do so many things that there will be no trouble in getting her a husband, and the parents will not have to work for her much longer. - Youth's Companion.

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thing of it?"

The acknowledged he could not destroys the power of all things to fact seemed seldom to visit the for a few days so the wimin folks.

Where, then, and the minister, hurtus. He bendeth and whispereth kitchen or trouble about the meals, kin git a look at her."—Philadel while everything came onto the phis.

basing parent and hignest importance and external pain and injuries,

But so far as Christianity is con- way." And we, what else can we table in good style. Both of the cerned your objection is not valid, do but look up and cry exultingly, young ladies were educated, could for it is capable of spiritual demon. "I can do all things through Christ | play the piano well, and were ac-

> The guest, marveling a little at the novel arrangement of the household, one day questioned the hos-

"My friend," said the latter, " if a peculiar pride in defying the laws | children, and kill herself to save which govern polite society. Polish | them from work, they will think their own undisguised honesty, they mother was working herself into the greeable. Such people disregard and think. But train them up to work, ances, and by their want of consider- they will accept their share of the mother who saves herself for her A little thought upon the subject | children is a great deal kinder to will convince any one, who wishes them than one who kills herself for a moderate attention to convention- servant, but I think the house is itself lays down rules for conduct, work. They may be obliged to the most elegant manners. Henry they were small, and now they are

"BE YE HOLY."—This injunction duct"-in the church, at home, in Polish is refinement, incivility is the street. "Be ye clean that bear

really noble nature, who has at | widely different from being so in Politeness, then, if taken in its cause of its good fruit. Thus a rightful and highest sense, rises to good life is more eloquent by far

particular, neglect investing them | the highest attainment of the Chriswith a very strong element of success | tian, and towards this noblest ideal in life; for to succeed one must please, the humblest believer strives. But and the power to do that comes, in so justly lofty is the ideal of the cannot but confess in sorrow and shame his short comings It is no mock-modesty but a genuine feeling of deep dissatisfaction with present

The Cheerful Face.

Next to the sunlight of heaven is the cheerful face. There is no mistaking it-the bright eye, the unclouded brow, the sunny smile, all tell of that which dwells within. Who has not felt its electrifying influence? One glance at this face lifts us out of the mists and shadows into the household will keep everything warm and light within.

It may be a very plain face, but there is something in it we feel, yet cannot express; and its cheery smile sends the blood dancing through the veins for very joy. Ah, there is a world of magic in the plain, cheer ful face, and we would not exchange it for all the soulless beauty that ever graced the fairest form on earth.

It may be a wrinkled face, but it is all the dearer for that, and none the less cheerful. We linger near it, and gaze tenderly upon it, and say, "God bless this dear, happy face! We must keep it with us as long as we can, for home will lose much of its brightness when this sweet face is gone." And even after it is gone, how the remembrance of the cheerful face softens

Ten Rules For The Prayer-Meeting,

1. Believe in it. 2. Prepare for it by study of the Scriptures and prayer.

3. Take some voluntary part in the meeting. 4. "Grieve not the Spirit." Obey.

5. Speak with brevity, and never 6. Pray a new prayer.

8. Do not sing over much, particu. larly near the close of the meeting. 9. Allow the leader to direct the

7. Never speak despondingly.

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