

PREFACE.

No literary merit is claimed for the following work, but it has been written for the young, and it is hoped it may be used by them with pleasure and with profit. Whether or not it will fail of its desired end is known only to Him who hath said, "My word shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that whereunto I have sent it."

If by its perusal the path of religion is rendered more attractive to one youthful traveller, or one young heart be cheered in its onward journey, it will not have been written in vain.

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