

Rittsfield, Mass. Feb. 14, '09.

Subject,- The Value and the Limitation of Allegiance to
Religious Leaders.

The subject that I have in mind this morning is one that is closely related to the subject that we considered two weeks ago to-day, -The Use and abuse of Bibles,-- . Indeed we might designate the theme of this morning , -The Use and the Abuse of Christs. The way in which a movement of an kind , having its inception in the life of a great leader of men, at first responds to the touch of his moral dynamic, and at length crystallizes out into a hero-worship cult, devoid of all the original purpose that gave it significance, offers us food for serious reflection. No one who is at all acquainted with the history of moral and religious progress can fail to observe the fact that every great popular move-