

tial friendship with all His disciples? Let us, then, walk in the Spirit, and we shall not be a prey to such human weakness or court the fearful denouncements of Holy Writ.

“HE WILL SHOW YOU THINGS TO COME.”

Yes, but He also is the Judge when it is best for all concerned that we know of coming events. Nevertheless, it may be added that as He is love itself, and is pledged to carry out His promise that all things shall work together for our good, it follows, then, that whenever it is for our good we shall know things to come. He who desires more prophetic knowledge than this desires that which is not only contrary to the wishes of his Heavenly Father, but also against his own best interests.

The promise then crystallizes to this, that whenever and wherever any knowledge of the future in any form is essential to our well-being, it is as surely guaranteed to us as pardon, purity, or Holy Ghost power.

Does one, because of this positive, unequivocal promise, feel an impulse to tease the Almighty for the prophetic powers of a Daniel or a John? To have that wish realized might be ruin both to body and soul.

What further of good can a well-balanced mind wish to extract from this rich legacy of Christ than that we shall, when led of the Spirit, be equal to every emergency, even when that implies the necessity of foreknowledge concerning any matter.

How our hearts go out in thanksgiving and praise to our great Captain as we realize how carefully He has guarded us against all fears of the result when we commit ourselves absolutely to the Comforter Divine, to be led by Him henceforth and forever, seeing He has provided against our fears concerning the future, such promises as these. With what reckless confidence may the child of God walk the highway of holiness?

 “The so-called Galt Heresy Case.” See notice on second page of cover.

IMPRESSIONS.

Impressions are very unsafe and unsatisfactory as motives of action, because they proceed from so many different sources. When we talk about being led by impressions, we ought to use the utmost care. First, impressions are made upon us by the state of the atmosphere about us. Many people are despondent, if the weather is gloomy, or, if not despondent, the nervous system is relaxed, and becomes a source of temptation. Second, impressions from psychological causes, not yet fully understood. How many striking illustrations we have of this! Suddenly, without anything to suggest it, we think of a friend whom, perhaps, we have not thought of for a long time, and remember that he owes us a letter. We go to the post office and there is a letter waiting for us, that was penned and on its way before we thought of it. We have had this occur again and again. These occult laws of the mind, that some philosopher will yet explain, are the occasion of these things. On the same principle is that surety we sometimes have of the occurrence of certain events. We can give no reason for it, but it comes to pass as accurately as if we knew it. Third, impressions from the devil. He has it in his power to tempt us in many ways; to suggest thoughts of evil, to persuade us to evil and disaster; he can tempt us to despond, to doubt, and to fear; to make us morbid. Fourth, impressions from the Holy Spirit. He is in the world to lead His people into the truth. Now the question will arise, what shall we do amidst such a variety of impressions? We believe the following are safe rules for guidance:—

1. To allow no action nor thought contrary to the Bible spirit and morals.
2. To act in harmony with good common sense. God gave common sense as truly as He did salvation, and both are for use.
3. Never to be in a hurry in things over which we entertain any doubt.
4. To remember that if we belong wholly to the Lord He will allow no evil suggestions to injure us, if we are candid and propose to walk by His Book. The Lord will not allow any of His children to be overreached by the devil.
5. To be teachable and humble, willing to be instructed, and not put our impressions in antagonism with the Bible and the godly judgment of men of long experience in the things of God.—*Christian Witness.*

REMARKS.

We give this article that it may be