

It is just possible that, like as in Toronto, some of those held in high esteem in the churches, including the Alliance and the Army, may turn against us in persecuting hate, when they are forced to see that there can and will be no amalgamation of the two diverse forces. But even this is better for all parties concerned than that there should be ignorance concerning the real work of the Spirit. The truth concerning these two things, spirituality and legality, should be preached and illustrated at all costs, seeing it is the truth only which brings true freedom.

Spirituality, according to the Scriptures, consists in following the Holy Spirit as the one and *only* law of life. Now, when laws or doctrines about the healing of the body are put on a par with divine guidance, they are as clearly legalistic and antagonistic as were the laws of Moses in the days of Paul, and must be discriminated against as positively as ever Paul did. "Ye are fallen from grace," is as applicable to members of the Alliance, who put their pet doctrine in the forefront, and practically deny right of way concerning it to the Holy Spirit, as ever this statement was true of the Galatians

We do not, in the use of such language, pronounce upon the work of the Alliance as evil. On the contrary, we rejoice in it, and give it our God-speed. But we preach another Gospel as far as their legalistic teaching concerning healing is concerned, even the law of the Spirit which has delivered us from all such laws of "sin and death," and we are to be distinctly understood by all who listen to our utterances or read them, as so doing.

And in thus preaching and writing, we show no haste to make proselytes of them, or the adherents of any other creed. We rather advise them to push their creed-life as rapidly as possible to its utmost, for it is only when dissatisfied and disheartened with the results that there is any probability of their having any honest desire to be taught of the Spirit. We repeat, we have no quarrel with them, and will not return their railing if any of them indulge in that pastime. But we will continue to insist

upon the truth concerning them and all others, viz., that their walk in doctrines is not what we preach as the walk in the Spirit, until all are forced to see the impossibility of bridging the vast gulf between us whilst they continue to demand the acceptance of their doctrines as equal in authority with the law of the Spirit.

Now it is just possible that some may criticise such writings as wanting in policy. For they say it will lose to the movement some who have been thus far friendly and helpful. But a moment's thought will expose the fallacy of this criticism. This movement is only composed of those who walk in the Spirit. Hence it follows that any who might formally withdraw, only thereby show in a more public way the fact which already had an existence. Now, the making public that fact cannot but be a blessing to all concerned. Hence this presumed criticism would only confirm us, if need be, in the wisdom of the work done in Hamilton and elsewhere concerning this thing.

Having thus discussed this general characteristic of the Convention, we will content ourselves with this manner of description. It is true there were matters of detail of great interest, and ordinarily speaking, worthy of being recorded, such as testimony concerning definite blessing received, and personal narratives concerning Christian experience, all of thrilling interest. Also there was a history being made in the different homes where delegates were placed, which, like seed sown upon the waters, will doubtless assert itself in coming days.

The ubiquitous reporter was on hand, but found it exceedingly difficult to make up the usual newspaper reports, as there was no programme to scan or no knowledge to obtain concerning what speakers would address the different services. The only information they could secure was that the programme was in the mind of the Spirit, and He had not yet indicated the subjects or the speakers. But manifestly this would scarcely meet the requirements of the reading public, and so we presume the press notices were few, if any, and very meagre.