

In going up or coming down stairs, I trust absolutely in the unerring laws of gravitation, and I have a wholesome fear of breaking this law of God. I too am governed by the laws of habit, and find them very satisfactory in taking three meals a day and getting as nearly as possible eight hours sleep every night. Not only has God made it pleasurable to me to be obedient to the physiological law that we must eat to live, but I put entire dependence in the observance of that law, and never think of asking God if he will not suspend it in my behalf.

The law that most knowledge comes from information, I instinctively obey, and when I want a knowledge on the European political situation, and I mostly do, six days a week, I go to the front pages of the *Globe* and *Mail* newspapers and read the cablegrams. When I want information concerning a country, I consult a good Atlas, and when desiring to locate a particular place, I refer to the map of that country.

Instead of asking the Holy Ghost to tell me direct the date and place of the holding of the fifteenth annual Convention of the Canada Holiness Association, my guide leads me to look up the EXPOSITOR OF HOLINESS, whose business it is to supply that information, and lo, I find it.

It is an invariable rule, that children are born ignorant of the art of reading and writing, and that if they do not put forth efforts to learn, they remain in ignorance; and so, true to this absolute law, I take steps to have my children develop this useful knowledge, together with all other knowledge which seems to be requisite and necessary as well for the body as the soul.

When I want to find out the discount

on a bank note, it never occurs to me to ask the Holy Ghost; but he always guides me without asking, to apply the laws of arithmetic for finding out discounts, and I get the answer.

When my book-keeper cannot get his books to balance at the end of the month, it is no necessary evidence that he has not been guided by the Holy Ghost in the most absolute manner, but it is dead certain that he has not been true to the principles of book-keeping, that is to mathematical law, or the books would have balanced to a cent. If each entry had been correct, then all would have been correct. A good book-keeper should be under the guidance of the Holy Ghost, but he must also understand the principles and practice of account keeping, and if he has not this requisite knowledge, he cannot correctly keep a set of books; but a sinner who never heard of the Holy Ghost, or disbelieves in his existence, yet having a full knowledge of the laws of book-keeping, could be an accurate accountant and produce his balance sheet without an error.

I know a man who I believe makes the Holy Ghost his only guide, and yet in his private conversation and in his testimony, he cruelly murders the Queen's English; but I know another man who, when the Holy Ghost is even mentioned, gets angry, and yet he uses faultless English in his conversation.

The fact is that God governs this universe by law, immutable, unerring law, and every individual is under law. There is not a thought of the mind or an emotion of the heart but what acts in response to law. Every muscle, nerve, bone and joint of the body is under law, and there is not a thing we taste, touch or handle but what is gov-