voice of one saying, “Let thine heart be towards the high-
way, even the way that thou wentest; turn again,” Jer.
xxxi. 21. But by this time the waters were greatly risen,
by reason of which the way of going back was very dan-
gerous. (Then I thought that it is easier going out of
the way when we are in, than going in when we are out.)
Yet they adventured to go back; but it was so dark,
and the flood so high, that in their going back they had
like to have been drowned nine or ten times.

Neither could they, with all the skill they had, get to
the stile that night. Wherefore at last, lighting under
a little shelter, they sat down there until day brake;
but, being weary, they fell asleep. Now there was, not
far from the place where they lay, a castle, called Doubt-
ing Castle, the owner whereof was Giant Despair, and it
was in his grounds they now were sleeping: wherefore
he, getting up in the morning early, and walking up and
down in his fields, caught Christian and Hopeful asleep
in his grounds. Then with a grim and surly voice he
bid them awake, and asked them whence they were, and
what they did in his grounds. They told him that they
were pilgrims, and that they had lost their way. Then
said the giant, You have this night trespassed on me
by trampling in and lying on my grounds, and therefore
you must go along with me. So they were forced to go,
because he was stronger than they. They also had but
little to say, for they knew themselves in a fault. The
giant, therefore, drove them before him, and put them
into his castle, into a very dark dungeon, nasty, and
stinking to the spirits of these two men. Here, then,
they lay from Wednesday morning till Saturday night,
without one bit of bread or drop of drink, or light, or
any to ask how they did: they were, therefore, here in
evil case, and were far from friends and acquaintance,
Psa. lxxxviii. 18. Now, in this place Christian had
double sorrow, because it was through his unadvised
haste that they were brought into this distress.

Now Giant Despair had a wife, and her name was
Diffidence: so when he was gone to bed, he told his