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THERE SHOULD BE A SURPLUS.

There seems to be an idea among some people that all funds should be used up constantly, as they think it is a lack of faith should any be laid by in reserve. Some seem to think it would be wrong to have any part of their earnings in their possession. In other words they seem to think there is merit in a state of absolute poverty. But we are in the Lord's business, and his business needs capital, not invested capital, perhaps, but ready for use capital in cash, for there are times like the present financial depression when the Lord's people are just as willing to give as in times of plenty, but are unable to do so, and with people dependent upon us for their salaries, amounting to several thousands of dollars during the year, a substantial balance on the right side relieves the ones who have the immediate care of the financial end of the work, from embarrassment and gives them and the people who furnish the money an opportunity to do systematic giving and gathering and the work moves on smoothly and happily, and they can devote themselves to more and better work for the Lord. We do not mean by this that any part of the work is to be neglected, but that it is a good thing to have an ample provision, that comes regularly and is paid to those at the other end of the line regularly, so as to save them embarrassment and the humiliation and loss by getting their supplies on credit. We do not believe that it is honoring to God to carry on his business, dragging along a heavy weight of debt.

God has blessed us, and is blessing us, and will bless us, if we continue to honor him with our substance and the provision will be ample if we give him his tithes and offerings.

Let those who talk the empty treasury idea read Malachi 3-4. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse (treasury) **that there may be meat in mine house** (a surplus) and prove me **now** hewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. We do not need to call on God

to open the windows of heaven. What we need do is to bring in **all** the tithes. God will do the rest of it.

The surplus should not be kept on hand in only one department of our work, but in all departments of our work.

In our missionary work all the money is obtained through direct tithes and offerings. In our publication, part of the money comes through subscriptions for the paper, but we need more than we obtain that way. For years we have been able to keep a small surplus to draw from when subscriptions failed to come in fast enough to cover current expenses, but during the present financial depression we have used our surplus up. Now we need our brave men and women, who are not governed by impulses alone, but by an unwavering steady loyalty to the holiness movement to take this part of our work into consideration and renew the working surplus.

Brethren and Sisters, we only wish to call your attention to this very important part of your and my (our) work. We are confident of your generous response and an ample provision. **Now.** Don't wait until a debt comes. Let us maintain our excellent reputation we have established by the promptest possible meeting of our payments for the publication of the Highway.

"A good name" needs to be maintained as well as obtained.

We have now a good name (record); let us maintain it.

AGED MINISTERS' FUND, 1924.

Grey's Mills Church—	
N. A. and Mrs. Sterritt	\$.50
W. W. and Mrs. Patterson .....	.50
S. H. and Mrs. Bradley .....	.50
J. Wesley Cosman .....	.25
Miss Esther Pickett .....	.25
Fred Patterson .....	.25
Lloyd Patterson .....	.25
Lucy Bradley .....	.25
Dora Bradley .....	.25
Margaret Bradley .....	.25
Ethel Bradley .....	.25
Mrs. W. W. Cronk .....	.25
Miss Daisy Williams .....	.25

Total

\$4.00
S. H. BRADLEY, Clerk.

THE POWER OF PRAYER.

Great is the power of a good man's prayer. Elijah was only a man like ourselves, but when he prayed fervently that it might not rain, no rain fell upon the land for three years and a half. And, when he prayed again the clouds brought rain, and the land bore crops.

As the Lord Thy God liveth, there is no nation or kingdom whither my lord (Ahab) hath not sent to seek thee.

And Ahab said unto Obediah, Go into the land, unto all fountains of water, and into all brooks; peradventure we may find grass to save the horses and mules alive. Ahab would sooner have saved a mule than a prophet.

All Nineveh clad in sackcloth, sitting in ashes and penitent before God had prayer as the unusual rather than business as usual.—B. C. G.

CONCERNING VACATION.

Some get their vacation en bloc, weeks or months of it, day by day. Some have too much vacation, if such it can be called, and to others vacation never comes.

Among the latter are mothers who do their own work and care for their own children. With millions of mothers the care does not cease nor the burden lift from one year's end to the other.

They have their reward. The outgo of mother love is itself a sweet of which earth has no like. Without that they could not endure, and even with that the flesh sometimes gets very weary and longs for rest.

When such mothers can lie down for ten minutes after the noon meal and catch perhaps a moment of forgetfulness in sleep, it is restful beyond the telling, and still better is it when, in addition to this, they can commit their cares to God as Father and Friend, and get a strength that comes no other way.

Too oft forgotten is the real object of "vacation," going into dock to refit for the voyage. Work—not play—is the only worthy life; not work to enable one afterward to rest, but at times a period of rest to enable one the better to work.

For Christian people vacation should refit the whole being, not only the body but the spirits, so that when they come back from it, they are stronger—not only physically but spiritually—better fitted to take up their Church work, whatever their part in that work may be.

The opposite is too often true. Church members sometimes spend their vacation as if were a time to leave behind both their work and their God, giving the Sabbath to pleasure, unfitting rather than refitting themselves spiritually, and helping by their example, to blight the spiritual life of the community in which their vacation is spent.—EmS.

AN ANTHEM.

A sailor who had been to a church service where he heard some fine music was afterward descanting upon an anthem which had given him great pleasure. A listening shipmate finally asked:

"I say, Bill, what's a hanthem?"

"What!" exclaimed Bill, "do you mean to say you don't know what a hanthem is?"

"Not me."

"Well, then, I'll tell yer. If I was to tell yer, 'Ere, Bill, give me that 'andspike,' that wouldn't be a hanthem. But if I was to say: 'Bill, Bill, Bill, give, give, give, give me that, Bill, give me, give me that 'and, give me that 'andspike, spike, Bill, give me that, that 'and, 'andspike, 'and, 'andspike, spike, spike, spike, Ahmen, Ahmen, Bill give me that 'andspike, spike, spike, Ahmen,' why, that would be a hanthem.'"
—Selected.

It requires the same merit and energy to preserve holiness in the soul of man, as to produce it. And being cleansed from all sin is what every believer should look for, what he has a right to expect, and what he must have in this life, in order to be prepared to meet his God; Christ is not a partial Saviour. He saves to the uttermost, and he cleanses from all sin.—Clarke.