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YOU will find in the Bible, that "Jesus sat over against the Treasury and beheld HOW the people cast money into the treasury." If He had been watching WHAT they cast in, He would hardly have noticed the widow's "two mites," but his eyes went beyond the end of the finger and the purse. They pierced into the heart, and from thence came the two mites, whereas the larger amounts perhaps never caused a motion in the heart. We were reminded of that scene as we read the following item regarding the Building Fund of the Buffalo Y. M. C. A. :—

"A few weeks ago a telegraph messenger boy stepped into the Association office and counted out five dollars in change and laid it down on the secretary's desk, saying, "That's for the Building Fund." The officer in charge thinking there must be some mistake, made inquiries who it was from, and how he came to bring it in. "Why, it is from me," he said. "I have been saving it to pay toward the new building on Mohawk street.

"It is not generally known, but there are members of the Association working in machine-shops, stores and elsewhere on small salaries who have made noble and generous subscriptions to the fund, and are paying every month regularly from fifty cents to three dollars in some cases, and expect to do it until the pledges are redeemed, which will take, in some instances, two year's time. Such giving means something.

"Contrast such a spirit of self-sacrifice with some who think and even say, "There are enough rich men in the city to put up that building, free from debt.—no need of my subscribing anything.

"To be sure, we could not erect the building without the generous contributions of wealthy men. But shrewd business men are apt to gauge their benevolent contributions by the gifts of those who are in more moderate circumstances, which is a sure index of the general interest in the project."

The remarks just quoted are applicable to our own position.

We are now engaged in raising a fund for liquidating the debt on our building, and also for remodelling the

same. Our appeal has been most cheerfully and liberally responded to by our wealthy men, and like the Buffalo Association we can also say that our Young Men are coming to the front, and at considerable sacrifice are helping to deliver our Association from the bondage of debt. We want the whole building for the Lord's work, and we are among those who believe that the Lord is too wealthy to want a mortgage upon any property with which His name is identified.

His blessing has thus far rested on our effort to remove it, and we look forward with pleasure to the time when we shall be free, owing no man anything but LOVE.



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I am the Bread of Life: he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst.

—John vi. 35.