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## OUR FINANCIAL REPORT.

To the Members and Friends:—On pages 2 and 3 you will find a statement of the amounts contributed by each toward the support of the ministry, and also the purposes to which your other subscriptions and donations have been applied. We have sought to make it as nearly correct as possible and trust it will be satisfactory to all concerned.

On behalf of the Quarterly Board we thank you for your generous support and solicit your continued co-operation in church work

J. BAINARD,

Recording Steward.

BRIEFS.

Be always in time.

Guard against a roving eye.

Don't forget the prayer meetings.

Cheer the Sunday School workers.

Our choirs are doing well. The music is in good taste, and is well rendered. Assist in the service of song.

## PREACHING.

Talbotville at 10.30 and 7.00.

Town Line at 2.30.

All are invited to these services. Empty pews are non-conductors. Only when the pew is filled is the pulpit at its best.

## . IN PULPIT AND PEW.

A church that is not growing in grace is not prospering, though its pews are full, the treasury overflowing, and the pastor's name in all the newspapers.

The seed that is dropped into the ground these spring days is a little thing, but if visited with rain and warmth it will increase and become great. No one needs to be discouraged, for the reaping may be all he can desire.

Do thou thy work: it shall succeed. In thine, or in another's day,

And, it denied the victor's need, Thou shalt not lack the toiler's pay.

If we would take pains to make the prayer meeting service interesting and not very long, and if all our members would form a habit of punctual attendance, the good results would astonish and gladden all concerned. And why should there be any "if" about it?

If Christians will be as much in earnest in their efforts to reach the masses with the gospel as the politicians are to get their votes, it will be done. The church that really wants the masses will get them.

The truth preached from a cold heart is like a lot of coal in a cold grate, it will warm no one unless set on fire. The Holy Ghost is the only energy that can kindle the coal into a glowing furnace of fire.

O may His sacred glowing light, In every heart burn higher; Until believers all shall be, One flame of living fire.

## SELECTED THOUGHTS.

Pride is a hard master.

Nothing that concerns God can be little. A good man has no quarrel with the truth.

As soon as God is known, his law is loved.

The charity that begins at home and stays at home, generally dies of heart failure.

It is more than likely that most of God's work is done by people who have only one talent.

Teach me, then
To harmonize the discord of my life,
And stop the painful jangle of these wires.
This is a task impossible until
You tune your heart-strings to a higher key
Than earthly melodies.