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## THE GRACE OF GIVING.

*"As ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also."*

### "THE TREASURY."

*"Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury." Mark 12: 41.*

O, render with a willing heart  
To God His own and rightful due;  
The "first" and "best" was e'er His part  
Of bird and beast and all that grew;  
And when to Him His own was given,  
The land received the smile of heaven.

"And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering. . . . And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering." Ex. 25: 1, 2; 35: 21.

"Thou shalt give unto the Lord thy God, according as the Lord thy God hath blessed thee; every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God, which He hath given thee." Deut. 16: 10, 17.

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3: 9, 10.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10.

"And Azariah said, Since the people began to bring the offerings into the house of the Lord, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty; for

the Lord hath blessed his people; and that which is left is this great store." 2 Chron. 31: 10.

In this matter of giving we are not under the law, but under grace. Yet under the law the servant gave a tenth, besides what the sacrifices and gifts and offerings cost, and that was more than another tenth. Love is a poor thing if it can't get more out of anybody than the law can.—*Rev. Mark Guy Pearse.*

*"Freely ye have received, freely give."*

"If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what a man hath, and not according to that he hath not. . . . Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 8: 12; 9: 7.

During the past year the contributions of our churches in the Amoy Mission amounted to \$8,208, an increase of \$1,876 over the previous year. For churches numbering only 1,400 members this a remarkable showing. Particular churches furnish a record even more remarkable. The first Church of Amoy contributed \$950, or \$8.88 per member. The second church contributed \$2,118, or \$13 per member. One must multiply these sums by ten to get the relative value of the contributions of these Chinese Christians as compared with those of Christians at home.—*The Mission Herald.*

After four sermons on "What the Bible Says about giving," a large number of the members of the Burman Church at Bassein have decided to give one-tenth of their income to the Lord.—*The Baptist Missionary Magazine.*

One of the most interesting of all missions is that of the Fiji Islands. For the past three years these Christians, though generally very poor, have given more than \$5,000 a year for foreign missionary work, besides supporting all their home work. Fiji is truly one of the jewels of missions.—*The Missionary.*