

were nearing a place where we intended to remain over, but we had come to the end of our money. I said to my wife, "I wonder what next?" when lo, in that very place and hour there was awaiting my arrival a letter from a dear friend at a distance, in which he wrote:

"Your travelling expenses must be very heavy, and so I enclose you for that purpose a draft for \$100.

The Lord knew about our needs and had this ready for us. How wonderful are His ways? Oh! if we could only trust Him more, He would never disappoint us.

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." (Phil. iv. 6.)

#### INSTANCES OF THE LORD'S DELIVERANCES.

"It is no vain thing to trust in the Lord,"

I. In our work we have had many instances of the truth of the above scripture. Perhaps none more striking than the following, as it illustrates how the Lord, by ways of His own, meets the needs of His own work. On one occasion, when we were in sore need of money for the direct work of the Lord, I called upon a friend (who had often been kind in helping on the work) and casually remarked to him concerning our need. He did not have anything with which to help me at the time, but encouraged my faith in God, and expressed a desire to help when he would be able. It appears that *thirty years before* he had loaned some money to a friend to enable him to go into business, which he so thoroughly failed that at the end of fifteen years, seeing no prospect of receiving the money, he tore up the note which he held for the amount. Just after I had left my friend, he was going down the street and met the man to whom he had loaned the money, now *thirty years ago*. Said he, "I think it is about time I paid you what I owe you; how much will you take for that note?" My friend assured him that the note had been torn up fifteen years ago. On his return home, however, he wrote out a cheque and sent it. My friend forwarded me part of it for the Lord's work, and thus strangely our need was supplied.

"Your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of these things."

It may not be *my* way,  
It may not be *thy* way;  
And yet in His own way,  
"The Lord will provide."

II. Although I have no salary and no one

is responsible for my support, yet for nine years I have trusted in the Lord alone for our temporal supplies. He has honored faith by graciously supplying our needs.

From the beginning we made it a rule to use for ourselves only what was specially marked "For Personal use."

At times the hand of the Lord has been very manifestly seen in connection with our own personal living.

It has been my custom to put into Mrs. Freshman's hands every Saturday morning the needed amount for the week's expenses. On one occasion I had not the necessary amount, but in the course of the morning a gentleman called and left in my hand the *exact* amount needed. And so we go on trusting Our Heavenly Father for the future, knowing that according to His promise and our need the supply will come.

III. During the past year we have sent to Mr. Moody's school a young man, a Hungarian, of good family, who was converted in our work a few months ago. He is a good German scholar, and goes to school to perfect himself in the English language and to prepare generally for the work of the Lord. There is so much that is interesting in connection with his going, that I feel, for fellowship and encouragement, I ought to mention it. I had myself individually assumed the amount needed for his maintenance there for the first year, *although not having a dollar of the money on hand*. A few days before the day came on which he was to leave for school, at our regular Sunday evening service, he gave his testimony and asked the Christians present to remember him in their prayers, as he was soon to leave them to prepare for the Lord's work. Nothing had been said about finances, as he was entirely ignorant of the fact that I had not the money in hand. A gentleman present, interested in our work, wrote me during the week, saying that if I had a young man who wished to be prepared for the ministry, he would gladly help. I replied that I had a young man who was going to school for preparation for Christian work and who might be a minister. He replied by sending a check for a sufficient amount to prepare him for going and to provide for his first six months' tuition.

We hope to have many more such young men who have been tried and proved, whom we can help to fitness for the work of the Lord.

WHERE IS THE LORD GOD OF ELIJAH? DOETH HE STILL LIVE?

- Last year we were very desirous to pay