

The Chossid Reb Yitzchak Meir Goldin¹ related:

Once [in Rostov], after the Frierdiker Rebbe recovered from an illness, he called for me and asked if I had seen three bundles of paper with golden edges. I replied that I had not. He asked to find out from the Chossid Reb Zalman Eidel Zislin if he knew of their whereabouts. He also did not know where they were. The Rebbe grew anxious and became pale, saying that he would put the one who had taken them in *cherem* if they were not found.

I asked the Rebbe's daughter, Rebbetzin Chaya Mushka, if she knew where they were, and she did, enabling me to bring them to the Rebbe immediately.

"When I traveled with my father [the Rebbe Rashab] to Karlsbad² for the hot baths that were there," related the Frierdiker Rebbe, "after my father would exit the bathhouse, they would give the patients whatever they requested, 'even a plate from heaven³.' Once, upon exiting the bathhouse he asked for a pen

and paper. He then wrote down three new concepts in Chassidus that were never taught before.

"Now you surely understand why these papers are so precious to me," concluded the Friediker Rebbe.

The Rebbe then showed me these precious papers, along with *kisvei yad* of all the Rabbeim.

Another story the Rebbe related:

He once traveled with his father, the Rebbe Rashab, to another country. At the border the Rebbe Rashab asked his son to make sure that the border control officers wouldn't inspect their luggage. If the officers would check, they would simply return home. Bribing the guard generously, they went through with no problem.

They spent that winter together in Vienna,⁴ and the Rebbe Rashab would learn with his son Tur and Beis Yosef daily, saying that the *shiur* was a compensation for something the Rebbe did for the Rebbe Rashab. The Rebbe said that he understood it in reference to the bribing at the border.

Every day, many of the elder

Jews in the town would approach the young-looking Rebbe Rashab, unaware of his true identity, and request of him to refill their pipes with the tobacco that he had. One elderly Jew once approached him saying, "Yungerman yungerman! What will be? [What you are learning] is only good for your head. What will be with your heart?"

The Rebbe Rashab asked him what study would be beneficial for this.

The elder Yid responded that there was a nice *sefer'l* called Likkutei Amarim, and then produced a copy of the Tanya to show the Rebbe Rashab.

"Yes a good *sefer'l* it is indeed," the Rebbe Rashab responded. **1** (*Sefer Hasichos 5680-5687 pg. 22*)

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^{1.} See *A Chassidisher Derher* Issue 84 (161), Reb Itche Goldin, for a full article about his life.

^{2.} The Rebbe Rashab traveled there in the winter of 5672^* for his health.

^{3.} An old Yiddish expression for "the best goods."

^{4.} In the year 5663*.