

The RYS Daily 8/11/06 His Modesty Always Remained

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Even when he had become old and his spirituality had reached such sublime heights, his modesty and humility remained totally unaffected.

When he had become ill and was spending his last days in Koenigsberg the communal leaders who cared for him considered removing the clock from his room to prevent it disturbing him.

R. Israel reproved them: "What do you want? A poor old man is ill. So what difference does it make if the clock chimes in his ears? Are you also considering paving the street with straw?"

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