

## ANOTHER YEAR.

Another year is dawning !

Dear Master let it be,  
In working or in waiting,  
Another year with Thee.

Another year of progress,  
Another year of praise;  
Another year of proving  
Thy presence "all the days."

Another year of service,  
Of witness for Thy love;  
Another year of training  
For holier work above.

Another year is dawning,  
Dear Master let it be,  
On earth, or else in heaven,  
Another year for Thee !

## RAILWAY CHRISTIAN WORK.



**H**ARPER'S NEW MONTHLY MAGAZINE for this month in an excellent illustrated article on Young Men's Christian Associations, in speaking of the work done among Railway men says :

"The service given to Railway men has the advantage of the support of the great Railway corporations."

It may be asked *what* is the *character* and *amount* of the support rendered? As to the *character* it is financial, and the amount *forty thousand dollars* (40,000) annually, and constantly increasing, this support commenced only 3 years ago, and Chicago alone furnishes about \$5,000 of this and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad supports 9 men exclusively for the promotion of Christianity among its employees.

Next the question arises "*why* do they give all this money for this purpose?"

Because there is no money they lay out that yields such good returns; and "*Harper's*" gives the essence of all testimony in answer to this enquiry when it adds, "sobriety and moral principle contribute their quota toward the production of dividends, and a good workman, who is also a good man counts for something in financial estimates. . . It is important that the hand on the throttle-valve, be

not guided by a brain muddled by strong drink. No position, not even leadership in battle, calls more imperatively for firm nerve, well poised faculties, and entire self command." Now be it understood that the direct object of these appropriations is not the salvation of the men's souls; but the conservation of the corporation's property and the public interests. For as the manager of one of our greatest roads says,

"In regard to the Railroad corporation and its relationship to and interest in Christian work among the employes it must be borne in mind at the outset the Railroad corporation is not called into existence for the promotion of morality and religion but only to perform the functions of a common carrier. But morals cannot, therefore by any means be ignored in the conduct of its business. . . . It becomes therefore, incidentally, essential to the welfare of the corporation to promote good morals among all grades of employes. Intelligent railroad management throughout the country recognizes this, and is putting forth efforts in various ways to this end."

But when the promotion of Morality and Religion, "contribute their quota toward the production of dividends," then the force of *Harper's* further remarks is recognized.

"Railway corporations have souls enough to know what affects their purses, but we should fail to do justice to many of the managers of the great lines, if we did not concede to them a sincere interest in the welfare of their men."

## PURSE-AN-ALL.



**O**UR "Personals" are crowded out this month, but our Treasurer's address is J. O. Bennett, 322 Adelaide St. W. or Shaftesbury Hall.

We acknowledge \$5.00 from W. B. McMurrich for our "Special fund" which is still in need.