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## ANOTHER YEAR.

Another year is dawning!

Dear Master, let it be,

In working or in waiting,

Another year with Thee.

Another year of leaning

Upon Thy loving breast,

Of ever-deepening trustfulness,

Of quiet, happy rest.

Another year of mercies,

Of faithfulness and grace;

Another year of gladness

In the shining of Thy face.

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!

THE LINK extends New Year's greetings to all its Subscribers, and desires to thank those who have so kindly assisted in circulating and in sustaining the paper. It suggests the New Year as a good time for renewing subscriptions, as well as for obtaining new subscribers.

DR. ROBERT MOFFAT, a grandson of the famous missionary of that name, and a son of the Rev. J. S. Moffat, has been appointed principal medical officer of the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates. Dr. Moffat went to school in South Africa, but graduated in medicine at Edinburgh, and for the last ten years has been pioneering in the East Coast of Africa.

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## JAPAN.

During the last fourteen years Christianity has made great strides in Japan. There are now about 120,000 enrolled Christians in that country, of whom a third are Protestants, and the rest are divided between the Greek and the Roman Churches. The Christians, however, exercise an influence altogether out of proportion to their numbers. They have never had less than four times their proportionate number of members in the Diet—the Japanese House of Parliament. In the House of Commons the President or Premier, is a Christian, also one of the Cabinet Ministers. Three per cent. of the army officers are Christians and the commanders of several warships. Three of the great Tokio dailies are largely in Christian hands and several others have Christian Editors. From 2,500 to 3,000 Japanese leave the Christian schools every year, after an average course of four years. Their influence is increasingly felt, so that Buddhists have taken to forming rival young men's associations, women's and children's societies, and charitable institutions and schools according to Christian patterns. Two judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals are also Christians. In fact, Christianity now stands on the same footing as Buddhism or Shintoism, the old faiths of the country. Yet not so long since the Christian missionary pursued his work in Japan at the peril of his life.—Exchange.