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coming?

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My dear Erman

It is now much more than a whole year since you and Frau Erman bade me farewell at Süden - Crum. brought a little news of you at the beginning of the year, since then the curtain has dropped.

You must now be at regular work again refreshed by a better holiday than last year when you were forced to go to Italy, + probably your chief occupation is the great Dictionary which must

take up all your non-official time.

After the excitement and interest of last year the present one has seemed very quiet to me - In the first months the text of the Epistles & Acts was copied from a British Museum MS which is actually the first dated one & it has been chosen because of a note which mentions its exemplar as a ^{correct} careful & accurate copy & written by the same Gabriel who wrote Ms. H (Paris Cath. Inst.) of the Gospels the text of which agreed ^{generally} with Ms. A (Bodl)

Besides this there is a Ms. of the Apocalypse in the Vatican written by the same

scribe as the Epistles & Acts & it
seemed desirable to have the three
often-separated books from one writer
No other instance occurs of this
concurrence of the three in any other
case.

Some will be disappointed to find that
all the MSS are so recent, but this
fact is less to be deplored when
the textual difficulties are so much
less serious than in the Gospels

We shall soon begin to print - not
so soon however as could have been
wished because besides finishing
the translation of the Ethiopic & Arabic

Canons, the edition of the Consecration
Service was forced upon me - No one
else could be found to do it & my
love for Egypt & interest in its
ancient Church impelled me to
yield to the Bishop of Salisbury's
earnest appeal & desire - This work
is being now printed by Le Roux
& will be published in London

With my affectionate wishes to you all
including even the unspeakable Peter

I am my dear Friends

Yours very sincerely

G. Horner