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"Werner to Basel"

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Description: Contains political news. They were surprised a fortnight ago to hear from the coast news of a danger of war between the Juabens and Asante. No such worry is present in Kwahu, where the impression is that the Governor had taken energetic steps to ensure that the Juaben chiefs in Akim and Akwapim kept the peace. There is a rumour that the Asantehene has given the British Government £22'000 with the request that he will keep the Juabens from going to war with Asante. 6 weeks ago they received a second teacher – Em. Dako, who has quickly organised a school of about 14 boys of between 8 and 14. So far there has been little interest in the Christian religion. They have been the object of much friendliness in the chief fetish priest, but this only underlines their mutual unacceptability. Anyone in Abetifi town who says anything against the liturgies or his rules is punished, and he and one elder are together the main source of the influence exerted against boys coming to the school. There is a subscript in this letter from Dieterle in Aburi saying that on September 9th Captain Hay travelled back to Christiansborg with many Akim people carrying 100 guns and much powder seized from the Juaben chiefs in Akim.

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