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"Haas' Report to Basel"

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Description: An account of the school year. With the installation of Catechist William Adow as 'housefather' tensions developed between him and the pupils - there had been one small strike by all the pupils, and later they heard from the Okyenhene that there was a plan among the pupils to stay away from the school at the end of the mid-year holidays. The missionary judgement on all this is not clear - on the one hand they had been harsh and punished people severely, but on the other some of his strictness was well-directed, e.g. the ruling that even outside lesson time pupils were not to go into Kibi town without permission. At the end of the school year (late June) they had 18 pupils - of the new arrivals at the beginning of the year only 2 remained, and several boys had run away. There is also a short report of Haas' visit to Begoro. It was quite unsuccessful in terms of recruitment of pupils for the school. The main problem - the chief Finin was the whole time not sober and quite incapable of dealing with them. Since their return they learn that Finin was destooled, and the Begoro people wanted to bring him before the Okyenhene's court. He however fled to the coast at dead of night, still drunk

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