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Description: Has still no answer to his letters to Basel and Frankfurt. Feels sicker than before. Governor Hain died. "It was no loss for the church of Christ, I am sorry to say". He did no care for religion at all and never visited the school. He was a man composed of pride, ambition greed and sensuality. He made life here which had be pretty heelish before, to be like an antichamber of hell. To be just, it was not he who boycotted peace and created discord, but an assistant called Christensen who organized a party against the governor and probably is guilty of the Governor's death. Governor Hain had arranged before his death that Christensen should be taken to Copenhagen The removal of this man was the only good deed which Governor Hain did. Henke could not hold a sermon at Hain's tomb. The new Governor Ahrendorf is a careless young man and not much better. Henke hopes the king will send out Governor Lind again. About his work: On the council of the physicians he has given up preaching till his breast is better. Europeans and Mulattos anyhow are more and more desinterested since he excluded all those not married in church from the Lord's supper last eastern. He still gives baptism and confirmation lessons and attend to the school. From 6-7 p.m. he instructs the boys of the top class in grammar and geography. News from Kissling in Liberia: Sessing has gone to Sierra Leone and Riesling to Europe. Henke sad that Kissling did not come to Christiansborg.

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