

Adams College
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Dear Allison,

As you seemed interested in the progress of your old school I am sending you our first "News of the Week" for 1937. Not much has happened thus far, but it at least shows our readiness to act. The students have come more quietly than at any previous opening within my remembrance. Results at the close of last year have perhaps contributed to the general air of serious studiousness that pervades the campus. The Library where I am writing is as usual occupied by students quietly studying.

Ireland Kahlou is back again to continue his education. He has begun lessons on the typewriter and judging from the first attempt in my presence, he intends to succeed in becoming an expert.

I still wish that you would consider Christianity the root of worth-while news. What progress had your people made before you stepped up to offer your aid? Was it the government? Was it agitators? Yes, in a degree they helped. Was it the Firm-Cane-Ogle pioneers who founded half-caste tribes? Was it not the missionaries who started teaching their ideas gained from the Gospels and who founded

schools? There are now government schools - a few - but from the point of view of many serious minded of your people, their value in forming character is doubtful. What was the urge? the driving power? behind Dr. Adams, Dr. Stewart of Lovedale, Dr Lindley, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. Champion, Dr. Livingstone? It was the spirit of Christ who by precept and example taught that Love to God and man, not justice, or force of arms must rule in this world.

Many excellent teachers have given wise and admirable rules for living, but none save Jesus Christ gives the power to carry them out.

Doubtless missionaries have made mistakes, but what can you expect? They are all human. Yet God in his mercy has used such frail and faulty instruments for establishing churches, educating leaders in schools founded by them and different ones have been sought by government officials for advice in the colony. Look up the old annals and you will see the names of Lindley, Adams, & many others.

I do not doubt your sincerity of purpose in helping your people, but I feel you would immensely increase your power for good if you would acknowledge as your leader and guide the one who is the center of all history. Dates B.C. (Before Christ) & A.D. (Anno

Domini, In the Year of our Lord) radiate forward and back from Him who is the most important personality ever living on this earth. By his Spirit he can be approached in prayer, and, reached out to in faith, he will answer. Do try it. I am sure you cannot in honesty call Christianity a religion for weaklings when you consider such men as Livingstone, Lincoln, Dr. John Wabbe. They had to become humble enough to ask guidance before they could launch forth with power. Napoleon was a great leader, but because of his ruthlessness, his lack of sympathetic feeling his career is considered as a great and ignominious failure.

I am glad whenever I read your well considered letters in the newspapers and rejoice in all the good you have been able to accomplish. I wish to see the name Champion a worthy successor, spiritually speaking, of the brave young man who came to this wild and almost unknown country in 1835.

With cordial greetings

Yours sincerely,

C. E. Frost.

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