

British administration. These officials had gradually been changed from British to Arab, and his conviction was that the idea of placating by office had been carried out to an excessive degree. Sections of the Administration had become anti-Jew and pro-Arab. There was no social contact between the Administration and the Jews outside the High Commissioner's house.

The worst feature, Colonel Wedgwood thought, was that the Jews were not allowed to have arms to defend themselves.

The Royal Commission met in private session on Friday, when evidence was given by Sir John Chancellor, who was High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief in Palestine from 1928 to 1931.

### AFRICA.

Miss Lindsay's work in Tanganyika is illustrated by the following:—A Class for Wives: Nearly all have babies who do their best to divert the attention of their mothers, and their mothers' teacher, from the tasks in hand. It is difficult to concentrate on words of two syllables when Kaposta, who can just stand, rears himself up and shows off with crows of delight; or when Kavyanera, a diminutive damsel dressed in nothing but a frill about three inches long, is licking off the words I have carefully written beforehand on the blackboard. Kavyanera is the third child of the family, and as the two first died in infancy her parents gave her this name, meaning "she won't come to anything," in the hopes that evil spirits would overlook her.

Kaposta has an inquiring mind, and he is puzzled by his stool. When he tries to sit on it, it will tip up, but his mother seems to manage it all right. Poor Kaposta! He does not know that because he is so little he is only able to sit on the extreme edge, which makes the stool over-balance.

When Mr and Mrs Stovold came to Kaloleni all the mothers were very interested in their white baby, Elizabeth, and the way in which she was brought up. They noticed that Mrs Stovold did not carry Elizabeth about on her back all day, and that she was often laid on the rug on the floor, or in a pram. Elizabeth seemed

to flourish, so some of the mothers began to copy these methods.

### OUR FINANCES.

#### Improvement of Over £1,000.

Receipts for "Budget" purposes up to the end of March were £1074 better than this time last year. The amount was £6555 as against £5481. Truly we thank God and take courage. As a glance at the following table will show, the increase has been well spread over the various dioceses, though Wellington shows the greatest advance. Interim figures, however, as we frequently point out, have nothing like the same weight as final returns, as any particular diocese may show to less advantage through delay in remitting to Wellington. But allowing for this, the advance this month is distinctly encouraging, and we all hope and pray that it will now be sustained to the end of the financial year—June 30th.

God is certainly blessing this land in a wonderful manner, and we could give Him no better thank-offering than by doubling our usual contribution to the great cause of spreading His Kingdom.

#### Budget Receipts.

Diocese.	To 31st March, 1937.		Last year.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Auckland ..	868	10 5	718	8 8
Christchurch	1123	12 7	1121	7 4
Nelson ..	645	7 3	438	0 10
Dunedin ..	695	6 7	577	14 7
Waiapu ..	708	6 1	762	2 2
Waikato ..	346	19 11	266	8 10
Wellington ..	2129	5 8	1572	15 1
Extra Diocesan	38	1 8	23	16 1

£6555 10 2 £5480 13 7

F. C. LONG.

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CORNER.

Diocesan Office,  
Napier.

My Dear Girls and Boys,

In my first letter I told you that in the Church's Calendar there were special days called feast days and fast days.

Why is it important that we remember the great feast days and fast days? Because they tell us of the events or happenings in Our Lord's life.

The solemn season of Lent, Good Friday and Easter Day have passed. During those times we have thought

of Our Lord as He prayed for strength and guidance, as He suffered and died on the Cross and as He rose again on Easter Morn.

What joy the festival of Easter brings us! And before I write again another two great festival days will have come and gone.

May 6th is Ascension Day. On this day we remember that a few weeks after His Resurrection, Our Lord ascended into Heaven, that is, He went back into the very presence of God. Always, while He was on earth, Our Lord was in touch with God, and very close to Him, but His Ascension took Him back to be with God.

Where is heaven? Is it above the clouds and above the blue sky? I do not think so. Heaven is where God is.

Here, on this earth, boys and girls can know something of heaven because you and I can get very close to God. Some day, when we are ready, we shall go right into the Presence of God and then we shall be in heaven.

May 16th is Whit Sunday. On that day we remember that the Holy Spirit of God came to live in men's hearts—the hearts of the disciples of Our Lord.

Before His Ascension, Our Lord gave the disciples some work to do, but He also promised to send a Helper. On the first Whit Sunday, Our Lord sent the promised Gift—His own Spirit, who was to be their friend, their guide, their strengthener.

Jesus asked His friends to be His witnesses in the world; and they were so, by the help of His Spirit.

Can we receive this same gift? And are we witnesses? At Confirmation the very same Gift whom the disciples received is given to us—Our Lord's disciples to-day. This friend and strengthener is longing to work in and through us. He is a most precious gift, for the Holy Spirit is God's Gift of Himself and there is no task which we have to do, and do alone.

Take your Prayer Books and find the Confirmation Service. Look for the prayer which begins with the words: "Defend O Lord . . . ." This prayer is worth learning because it helps us remember that we are God's children, and that we have His help.