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"Schmid to Basel"

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**Description:** Mostly a letter concerned with his personal situation and the history of illnesses suffered by him and his wife since their return to the Coast. However, he makes two points about the way their having servants in fact exacerbated their difficulties - their duty is to teach them regular work, and the Asantes and Kwahus are the worst lyers of all. He has heard a proverb 'When a man stops lying, he must be ill'. The Abetifi station is giving him much trouble, partly because the problems there are such that he has never before met Also Dilger left the accounts in a dreadful mess, and Schmid is grateful that Eisenschmid took so much loving care over teaching him about the running of a mission station in his early years on the Gold Coast. There is a 70 year old man who had been driven out of house and home by the priests of his village, although he was the village headman. He arrived naked in Bepong, where a Christian has taken him in and fed and clothed him. Schmid made a contribution of 5/- to the costs.

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