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**Description:** The teacher's wife in Gyasekan is often ill, and does not take Clerk's advice to leave off local medicines and change her way of life. In Gyasekan the people of the town completed the buildings for the teacher on mission land. In Worawora the catechist's house had to be rebuilt after ant damage, and Clerk himself lives in a house in which they have to battle against ants. He regrets it is so difficult to get red Odum and Kyenedru in Buem - they make the best shingles. The demand for a teacher is extensive, though mostly out of a desire for honour for the individual towns. Without a resident teacher the taunts of the heathen when someone becomes a catechumen are hard to resist - the catechumens in Borada have lapsed for this reason. In Worawora the greatest response to preaching is among the women. A school started for the youths of the town in which English was taught started strongly but soon faced the opposition of the parents. Guaman - good leadership is provided by one Richard Ata, baptised in the previous year. 7 adults were baptised. There was trouble over the illness of one scholar, whom it was said was being killed by the fetish Kodonko in Atonko because his priest had died, and no-one wanted to assign him another.

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