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Description: Reports, up to September, a serious drought, with foodstuff being brought into Abetifi from many hours away. He himself ascribes the lack of rain to the cutting down of the forest in Kwahu, partly in pursuit of food farms (the average length of work on a particular farm is 2-3 harvests, and then a fallow period of 4-5 years - they need to work more rationally with manure). They have also planted extensive coffee plantations in recent years. He describes the day of thanksgiving and penitence - the women brought gifts in kind, most of the men brought silver coins.

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