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Description: A general report of his travels in the 3rd quarter of the year, the first of which had taken place while he was still a Begoro missionary. He stresses the usefulness of visiting small villages where you can meet people as individuals and talk to them. He mentions visiting a little village Akankese in the Begoro area, for example, and 'several' small farming villages around Anyipam, including one of 4 houses and 30 inhabitants built by 'Asantes'. In describing a visit to Asuum he notes that he had been led to believe that Asuum was South-West of Bomso, but it is in fact in the West of that place. South-West of Asuum is Otumi (2 hours), and 1 hour west of Otumi is Twea. From Twea a path goes through Kade to the coast, which after it has that the main route through Asuum and Obogu branches again towards Kwahu. In the Asuum area the gospel is well-known, and so are Buck and Date. In Bomso several young men were eager to be taught to read to be able the Word of God, and took the opportunity of Munz' visit to get some of his attendants to teach them the Lord's Prayer and the 10 Commandments. Asuum he describes as a town of money and trade. In Abompe he went to see the chief Dompri, who lay on his death-bed. When he woke up Munz talked to him about the nothingness of fetishes. It turned out that Dompri had been taught 'by Sissi' (Süss) in the school at Akropong. On his way back to Kibi from Kade Munz found that the Berem plains were well populated by people living in small farming villages. They live rather isolated.

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