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**Description:** Expresses further disillusion with the work of the Mission, this time with the conduct of the European missionaries especially. Probity of financial administration seems to have been an issue about which there was much discussion. He maintains also that 5 out of 25 catechists were carrying on trade alongside their Mission work. Marquart also claims that opposition to the rapid expansion in Akim, which the older missionaries considered was 'unsolid' had led to his being put in charge after very few months in the country on Buck's death. He is aware that there had been difficulty between the Akim missionaries and the Executive Committee) for several years. Going over the Okanta case he states that Date had been involved with Okanta in trading, though promised him to give this up. Marquart gives a catalogue of events on a trek he had made from Kibi to Begoro during 1884. In Kibi various members of the community tried to comfort and encourage him. Abomosu as a community had caved in. In Asunafo they wanted their useless catechist taken away, in Fankeyeneko their newly posted catechist was turned away, and in Begoro Sakyi had offended the community and could no longer be given services to conduct. In this account it appears that Marquart had preached in Kibi on that Sunday. In the approved scale of expenditure for 1884 he was assigned travelling expenses for 30 days, in which he travelled for 151.

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