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Description: His first night out from Dauromadam was spent in the village of Onipaho, in a hut with no furnishings of any kind. Next day they called on the Akwamuhene, taking the customary gift. They were given a very friendly welcome. They asked for the Akwamuhene's protection on their journey, and were told this was assured if they paid the customary duties. They replied that as servants of the God of heaven, earth, the sea and rivers - to whom the Volta belonged - nothing should be demanded from them, though they would not disobey his law. They found these statements hard to accept. But they were given a friendly farewell, and invited to call on him again on the downstream journey. It was on the third day that they came to the 'landing place for Anum'. Both the existing missionaries were suffering from recurrent bouts of fever, with Brother Kraus looking very yellow. He himself suffered his first attack of fever after one week, a second after another week which laid him out for several days. In the existing small houses it is difficult to protect oneself from cold in the night. Describes the Anum people as 'self-sufficient and complacent' - 'they must have 50 fetish priests in the town'. The missionaries however offer 'freedom and salvation in the blood of Christ'. Kwabi is working hard with him on the Twi language, paying especial attention to the question of tone.

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