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Description: Gives total of children in the school (all boys) as 7, the number of communicants as 3, the total Christian community as 16. Health - Klaus is very sick indeed, and believed he was dying at the end of December. Fetzer and Müller himself have only small attacks of fever. Kwabi lives in a small building which is at the same time the school room, and the sleeping room of the pupils. He takes trouble with his work, which is holding services in the town, teaching in the school, and teaching Müller Twi. He also keeps the missionaries informed about the fetish opposition to them in the town. Of the 7 school pupils, 4 can read - the others have either recently started, or are little gifted. The pupils find it hard to learn anything by heart, but the missionaries want to keep on until at least they know a few proverbs, and the catechism. The fetish priests forbid children to go to the school hence the small numbers. Street preaching is carried on regularly to fluctuating numbers. Few have shown much interest — one young man was in debt to his uncle, who had to be brought round to allowing him to attend services. There are two or three people who would like to be baptised, but they have received no instruction from Müller himself, since there are difficulties in using English. But Müller reckons he can make himself understood in English with a little practice

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