

In addition one of the Psalms was translated and new hymns composed. As far as possible folk-lore, proverbs and even riddles for solving and other subjects of competition were included.

For the natives the journal was for many years the only source of knowledge and interest at their disposal. They became very interested in it and they are now very diligent in contributing articles of different kinds.

Besides the religious articles there are also series on different subjects, for instance, exegesis, biographies (Livingstone) and so on. Missionary news from different societies is always received with great interest, and also short sketches in commemoration of missionaries and natives, as well as news of every new missionary coming to the Congo.

The journal has a good circulation, and it is eagerly welcomed both by the young people and the old people, who listen to the boys when reading it aloud for them.

It was proposed to raise the subscription and enlarge the journal, but this has been postponed because of the general financial depression. (*Communicated by* DR. K. E. LAMAN *of the Swedish Mission.*)

#### *The Problem of Witchcraft in Africa.*

The next number of *Africa* (vol. viii, no. 4) will be a special number devoted to the problem of witchcraft in Africa. This important subject has aroused much interest in recent years, and we have been fortunate in obtaining articles on various aspects of the question from some of the highest authorities and from many different parts of Africa.

With the help of members of the Institute resident in Africa, we have been able to get into touch with a number of Natives, who have given their views on the subject. Their contributions will appear both in the original vernacular and in a translation.

#### *Executive Council Meeting.*

The Fourteenth Meeting of the Executive Council of the Institute will be held in Switzerland at Basle on July 15 and 16. The Chairman of the Council, the Rt. Hon. Lord Lugard, will preside, and the Swiss Government has intimated its intention of entertaining the members at an official luncheon.

A report of the proceedings will appear in the next number.

#### *Cours à l'Université Coloniale Belge d'Anvers.*

Notre Directeur, M. le Professeur H. Labouret, a été appelé pour professer une série de Cours sur les possessions françaises de l'Ouest-africain à l'Université Coloniale Belge d'Anvers, au mois d'avril dernier.