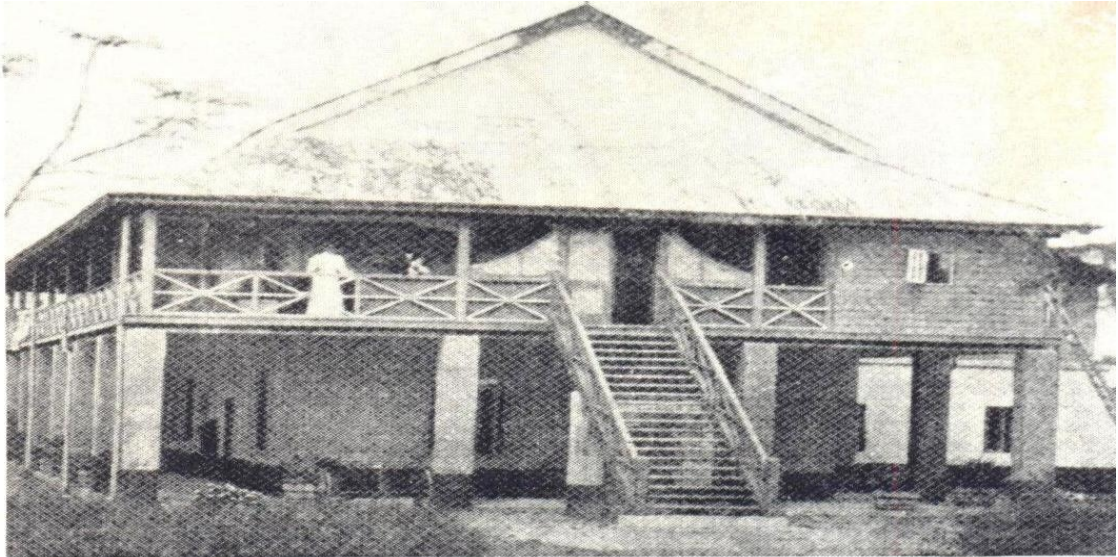


FROM THE PAST

FIRST CIVILIAN HOSPITAL IN ACCRA – 1878



The Old Hospital, Accra. Built 1881 – 1883, and had 16 beds.
This hospital was replaced in 1923 by the Gold Coast Hospital, which had 192 beds

The first civilian hospital (Colonial Hospital) with admission facilities in Accra was established in 1878.

It started in Jamestown but moved to its permanent premises where the Supreme Court stands today.

The hospital favoured admission of Europeans.

“Between 1878 and 1915, a European had about 300 times greater chance of admission into a hospital bed than an African. Moreover while one hospital bed was available to some 70 Europeans, one bed was available to over 22 000 Africans.”