DR. JOHN FARREL EASMON
(GRANDFATHER OF PROFESSOR C. O. EASMON)

Originally from Sierra Leone but served in Gold Coast.

He was the first to describe blackwater fever in 1884. Blackwater fever is a serious state of acute haemolysis accompanied by haemoglobinuria and associated with a history of present or past malaria. It appears irregularly within endemic and hyper-endemic malarial regions. It is also known as haemoglobinuric fever, caused by severe malaria.

He was the first Head of Sanitation in the Gold Coast.

He was appointed Chief Medical Officer in 1892.