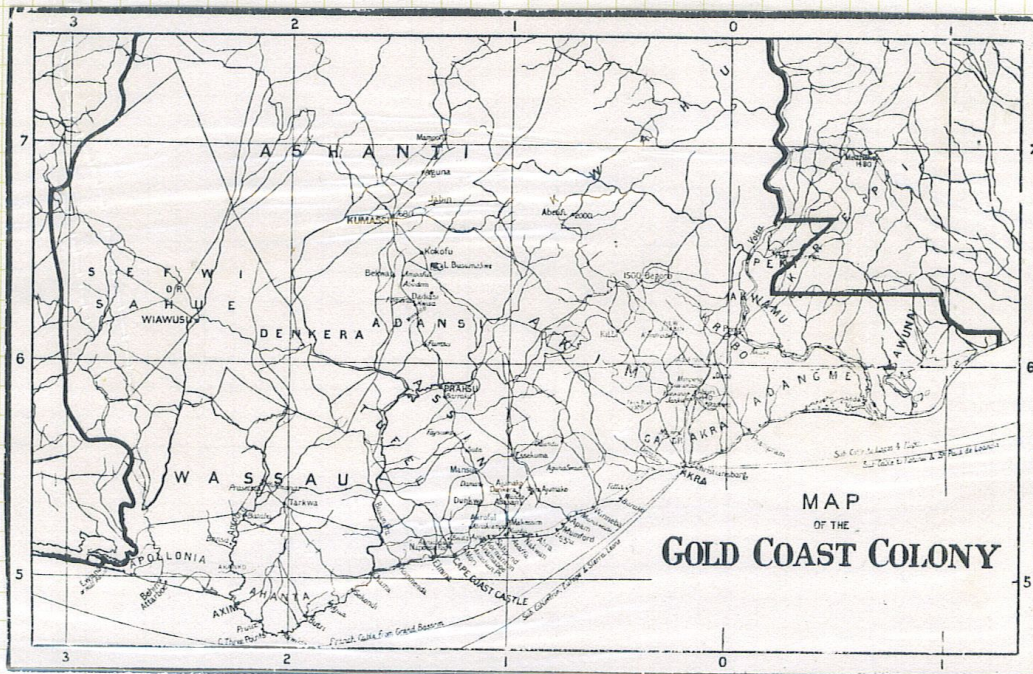


GOLD COAST

Unusual and irregular postal strikes on early adhesives

Gold Coast colony was originally a coastal strip situated between the French colonies of Ivory Coast and Togoland on the Gulf of Guinea in West Africa.



"It can be safely stated that few, if any, British Colonial stamps provide as much interest in their cancellations as those of the Gold Coast." H. A. Spowart in "The Postage Stamps of the Gold Coast" of 1929.

"The handling of the cancellation stamps by careless or illiterate native clerks has led to many varieties of postmarks. The year and day of month are reversed and one or more is omitted and is filled in by hand in pen or pencil or manuscript alterations are made. Code letters for the time of day are omitted or misplaced." P. Jaffe in "Stamp Collecting" June 24th 1950.

Here we see two stamps with portions of the date omitted:

No. ?
1901



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