## Personals.

Dr. James F. W. Ross, of Toronto, will return from the Bahama Islands and resume practice about April 1st.

Dr. Harry B. Anderson, of Toronto, started for New York March 10th, and will return about May 21st.

Dr. J: R. Lancaster (Tor. '95), who was practising for a time at Tilsonburg, has been appointed one of the resident surgeons, Grace Hospital, Toronto.

Dr. A. Gun, Durham, has been appointed associate coroner for Grey County, and Dr. William Logie, Sarnia, associate coroner for Lambton County.

Dr. A. D. McIntyre has been appointed resident surgeon, Kingston General Hospital, in the place of Dr. Grimshaw, who has gone to England to engage in post-graduate work.

Dr. J. D. Gibb Wishart spent the first week of this month in New York, attending the meeting of the eastern section of the American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society, and visiting the hospitals there and in Philadelphia.

## DR. HARBOTTLE'S RELEASE REFUSED.

The Government, on the recommendation of the Minister of Justice, has decided not to accede to the prayer of the petitions which have recently been presented asking for the release of Dr. Harbottle, of Burford, who was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment for shooting a farmer named Stewart. Dr. Harbottle, it will be remembered, was credited with having strong pro-Boer sympathies and expressing them pretty freely. This gave offence to some of the residents of Burford, and the doctor was subjected to various indignities in consequence. On the day of the shooting Stewart was guilty of behavior which Dr. Harbottle regarded as insulting, and, aroused to a pitch of exasperation, the latter drew a revolver and discharged it. Dr. Harbottle says he did not intend to hit his tormenter, but simply to scare him, but owing to Stewart's dodging his head was struck by the bullet. The doctor asked for trial before a Judge, and a twelve months' sentence was imposed. The Minister of Justice recognizes that there were extenuating circumstances, but takes the ground that the drawing and discharging of a revolver at a fellow-citizen constitutes a grave offence against the law.