Medical Items.

DR. WALTER P. THOMPSON is practising in Orillia.

Dr. A. H. Perfect has taken the place of Dr. Gillespie in West Toronto Junction.

DR. W. R. GILLESPIE, of West Toronto Junction, has gone to Penetanguishene, and formed a partnership with his brother in that town.

REV. JAMES JOHNSTON, M.D., Jamaica, spent a part of February in Toronto. He delivered some interesting lectures on his experiences in his recent journey through Central Africa.

As we mentioned in our last issue, Drs. O'Reilly and Burns, of Toronto, are away in quest of health. They remained in Atlantic City until the 24th of February, when they went to New York. After spending a few days there, they sailed for Savannah, Georgia, March 3rd.

CIGARS AND INFECTION.—Cigars smokers will probably be pleased to hear from Dr. Kerez, of Rome, that there is no danger of becoming infected with tuberculosis from smoking cigars manufactured by people who suffer from that disease. Even should such cigars become contaminated in the worst possible degree, they will not contain any infective property for a period exceeding ten days.

DR. THEODORE BILLROTH, of Vienna, died February 5th, from heart disease, and his funeral, on February 10th, was attended by immense numbers, including all sections of Vienna society. Farewell speeches were delivered at the graveside by Prof. Gussenbauer, for his pupils; by Prof. Chrosak, for the Vienna Medical Society; by Prof. Vogel, for the Professorial College; and by Freiherr Von Mundy.

MEDICAL TITLES.—In an article entitled "The Unqualified Assumption of Medical Titles," in the British Medical Journal, Feb. 17th, the writer says: "We have before us at the moment a circular purporting to be issued by a person with the following designations after his name: M.A., M.D. (Bc.) Eng.; M.D., LL.D., U.S.A.; Gold Medallist in Sciences, Eng.; Member of the Magnetic and Botanic College of Safe Medicine, London; late of Trinity Medical College and General Hospital, Toronto, etc." Further particulars reserved.

THE International Sanitary Conference, at Paris, has formulated a series of measures to prevent the Mecca pilgrims from spreading the cholera.—Boston Medical and Surgical Journal.