

DR. WILFRED T. GRENFELL, of Labrador, has arrived in New York on his annual lecturing tour in Canada and the United States.

ONTARIO MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—Remember the dates and place of the annual meeting this year, Niagara Falls, Ontario, May 30th to June 1st. Do more than remember! Go.

RECIPROCITY.—One of our United States exchanges urges a rather queer argument for reciprocity: "It means cheap pulp, cheap paper, cheap books, cheap journals, and, then, we preserve our own forests."

REPORT FROM THE CANAL ZONE.—The report of Dr. W. C. Gorgas, Chief Sanitary Officer of health conditions in the Canal Zone during the year 1910 has been issued. Summarized it shows that the improvement in general conditions apparent most markedly in 1909 has continued, although the total death rate was slightly increased because of an increase in the number of deaths from violence. A comparison of the deaths and death rates during the last seven years shows the following:

|            | Number of<br>employees. | Deaths. | Rate. |
|------------|-------------------------|---------|-------|
| 1904 ..... | 6,213                   | 82      | 13.26 |
| 1905 ..... | 16,512                  | 427     | 25.86 |
| 1906 ..... | 26,547                  | 1,105   | 41.73 |
| 1907 ..... | 39,238                  | 1,131   | 28.74 |
| 1908 ..... | 43,891                  | 571     | 13.01 |
| 1909 ..... | 47,167                  | 502     | 10.64 |
| 1910 ..... | 50,802                  | 558     | 10.98 |

The death rate from disease alone was lower in 1910 than in 1909. Among white employees from the United States the death rate from disease was 2.63 per thousand, and among all Americans, including women and children, 3.64 per thousand, which is a decided improvement over 1909. Deaths from special diseases among all employees are classified as follows:

|                     | Number of Deaths. |       |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                     | 1909.             | 1910. |
| Typhoid Fever ..... | 13                | 13    |
| Dysentery .....     | 8                 | 21    |
| Pneumonia .....     | 70                | 73    |
| Malaria .....       | 52                | 50    |

The death rate of the total population, including the cities of Panama and Colon and the Canal Zone, was 21.18, an increase over