

DR. NORMAN MCL. HARRIS (Tor. '94) has recently returned to Toronto after having spent a year in England, where he obtained the licentiate qualification, L.R.C.P., London. According to his reports, the "boys" in London are working hard and doing well.

DR. H. C. BRUCE (Tor. '92) is still at work in London, and passed his primary examination for Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in a very creditable manner. Dr. Don Armour (Tor. '94), Dr. W. D. Keith (Tor. '95), and Dr. Henry Paine (Tor. '95) are also in London.

THE Palisade Manufacturing Co. are offering six hundred dollars in prizes for essays on "The Clinical Value of Antiseptics, both Internal and External." Dr. Frank P. Foster, editor of the *New York Medical Journal*, has consented to act as judge, which is a guarantee of fairness in awarding the prizes. Further information can be had by addressing the company.

AT the last meeting of the Tri-State Medical Society (of Iowa, Illinois, and Missouri) the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Robt. H. Babcock, Chicago; first vice-president, Dr. A. H. Cordier, Kansas City; second vice-president, Dr. W. A. Todd, Chariton, Ia.; treasurer, Dr. C. S. Chase, Waterloo, Ia.; secretary, Dr. G. W. Cale, St Louis. The next meeting will be held in Chicago the first Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in April, 1896.

#### OBITUARY.

WILLIAM ARTHUR ALEXANDER MCPHERSON, M.D.—Dr. McPherson, a young physician of Prescott, died December 6, aged 26. The *Mail and Empire* says he had been suffering from kidney disease for some time, but nothing serious was anticipated, until he became suddenly ill Dec. 5, and died in twenty-four hours. He graduated from Queen's in 1890.

DR. FRANKLIN TOWNSEND, JR.—We learn from the *Buffalo Medical Journal* that Dr. Franklin Townsend, of Albany, New York, died October 31, 1895, aged 41 years. We in Toronto who had the pleasure of knowing Dr. Townsend and enjoying his generous hospitality will long remember him as a most charming and lovable man, and will receive the announcement of his death with very deep regret.

ALEXANDER WILLIAM JAMES DEGRASSI, M.D.—Dr. DeGrassi died at his home, Lindsay, Friday, December 6, after a long illness, from heart disease with certain complications. He received his medical education at Rolph's School, and the degree of M.D. from the University of Victoria College in 1867. He was well known for many years as a successful physician in Lindsay, and, apart from his professional reputation, was very popular with his large circle of acquaintances.

DR. LEWIS SPRINGER.—Dr. Lewis Springer, Registrar of the County of Wentworth, died suddenly at his home in Hamilton, aged 60. Although he took a regular course in medicine in New York State, he only practised a short time after graduating, as he was more interested in business undertakings. In 1882 he was elected member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and in 1891 he was appointed Registrar of Wentworth.