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THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

THE second half century in the history of the American Association was begun worthily last week at Columbus. It might have been feared that a meeting following the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary at Boston and held at some distance from the Atlantic seaboard would witness a small attendance and perhaps a lack of interest. This was by no means the case. The attendance was larger than at Detroit, Buffalo, Madison and Cleveland, and about the same as at Springfield, Indianapolis and Ann Arbor, while it was the unanimous opinion of those present that the meeting was in every respect profitable and enjoyable.

It seems evident that the Association has now entered upon a new era. In the course of fifty years the environment has altered greatly and for a little while there seemed to be some danger lest the Association might fail to adjust itself to the new condi-