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THOUGH nearly a year is to elapse before the American Association and affiliated bodies will meet in St. Louis, in next winter's convocation week, it is time for all who are interested not only in making this meeting a success but in welding the union of popular and technical scientific interests that was begun at the recent Washington meeting, to bestir themselves, that the good start that has already been made may not be lost.

St. Louis has long enjoyed the reputation of being a hospitable city, in which visitors are sure of good treatment, and it has the distinction of possessing one of the oldest scientific organizations of the country, in its Academy of Science, which was founded by Engelmann and his associates in 1856, struggled through the agonies of a border city in the Civil War without a cessation of its activity, and throughout has maintained the high standard with which its scientific publications were started. Its Washington University, incorporated in 1853, through the public spirit of Eliot, which has struggled against a variety of discouraging conditions without ever abating the ideals of scholarship

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