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## THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL ZOÖLOGICAL CONGRESS, LEYDEN, SEPT. 16-21, 1895.

THE International Zoölogical Congress was organized at Paris in 1889 and the second meeting was held at Moscow in

1892. Neither of these Congresses was conspicuously successful in attaining a truly international character. The third Congress, however, which met at Leyden, September 16-21 of the present year, was not only brilliantly successful from the scientific point of view, but was also thoroughly international in the best sense of the word, a result which the Committee of Organization took the greatest pains to secure. The whole number of members registered was 232, representing 22 nations and colonies. Of course, these numbers were not equally distributed, Holland having 64 and France 56 of the entire number. Of much more importance than mere numbers in giving this international character was the distinguished position of very many of the delegates, most of the countries being represented by their foremost zoölogists, and the quality of the papers presented was unusually high. The arrangements for the comfort and convenience of the members, for the meetings and excursions, were in all respects excellent, and the Committee of Organization, MM. Hubrecht, Jentink, Hoek and Horst, as well as the local committees, acquitted themselves of their difficult task to the admiration of all the visitors. Upon this subject there was entire unanimity of opinion, and none who had the privilege of attending this Congress are at all likely to forget the delightful and stimulating experience.