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THE TORONTO MEETING OF THE BRITISH
ASSOCIATION.

The British Association decided to meet
in Montreal in 1884, with some hesitation,
but after the great success of that meeting
an invitation presented at Oxford in 1894,
urging the Association to meet at Toronto
in 1897, was accepted by the general com-
mittee with unanimity. Elaborate arrange-
ments were made by the Dominion, by
the City of Toronto and by the University,
for the reception of the Association, and
steamship, railway and cable companies
united to offer unusual facilities to visitors.
The chairman of the local committee, Pro-
fessor Macallum, was especially self-sac-
ficing in devoting himself for more than a
year to the work of arrangement. A visit
of the leaders of British science to Canada
is an event of no common importance for
the Dominion, and the enthusiasm was this
year intensified by a United States tariff
law and a British Jubilee.

The members and associates in attendance
at Toronto numbered somewhat over
1,300, about 400 fewer than at the Montreal
meeting. SCIENCE has already published
an article by Professor Macallum giving a
list of the more distinguished British and
Continental men of science who expected to
attend, and with a few exceptions, such as
Lord Rayleigh, they were present. Men of
science from the United States were well
represented. The attendance from Great
Britain, the Continent, Canada and the
United States can best be indicated by giving
the officers and committees of the
various sections, which were as follows: