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## THE OTTAWA MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

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### OTTAWA WAS HOST

As was anticipated, the arrangements for the meeting at Ottawa from June 27 to July 2, inclusive, were excellent. Efficient local committees provided for every requirement from finances and meeting places to boy scouts to serve as messengers. There was a fine combination of attention to business details, preparation for scientific sessions, provision for social diversions and a warm spirit of hospitality to visitors. Moreover, the weather was perfect. Ottawa, the capital city of Canada, was indeed host to the association, and those who attended the meeting will long remember it as a delightful occasion.

That the association is American in the broad sense of the word could not be better illustrated than it was at Ottawa. The meeting was not international; it was simply American. The science was not Canadian or United Statesian; it was just science, even though the subject was some geological or biological problem of one or the other of the countries. There was no fine balancing of chairmanships and positions on committees as there is in meetings colored by political considerations. Science was the order of business, and it was conducted in the spirit of perfect harmony and good fellowship.

And why shouldn't a meeting of the association be

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