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AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ZOOLOGISTS. I.

THE American Morphological Society and the Zoologists of the Central and Western States met in Washington, D. C., in the Medical School Building of the Columbian University, December 30, 1902, and held joint sessions during this and the two succeeding days. A very large number of the members of the societies were in attendance, and an unusually long and interesting program was enjoyed.

During the meeting final action was taken that brought the members of the two above-mentioned societies together under the name of the American Society of Zoologists, with an eastern and a central branch. The constitution adopted looks toward meetings of the society once in three years, to be held alternately in the territories of the two branches. The time and place of the annual meeting of each branch is to be determined by its executive committee.

During the afternoon of the first day a joint session was held with Section F of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at which papers from the programs of each of the societies were given. Owing to the large number of papers to be presented, further combination did not seem expedient.

The following are brief abstracts of the papers that were presented: