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THE NEW ORLEANS MEETING.

THE meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science at New Orleans is a further step towards making the association truly national and representative of the men of science of the whole country. There has been a natural tendency for the association and its affiliated societies to meet near the center of scientific population, and it is of course under these conditions that the largest number of members can be brought together. But our scientific workers are by no means confined to the eastern and central states. When the association in 1901 met for the first time west of the banks of the Mississippi it was a natural acknowledgment of the westward extension of scientific institutions. The meeting at Denver was decided on with some hesitation, but it proved to be one of the most interesting in the history of the association. Not since 1850 has the association met further south than Nashville and St. Louis. But the south is now making marvelous progress in its material resources, and its educational and scientific development will soon be in equal measure. Tulane, Texas and other universities already occupy a foremost position, and their growth as centers of scientific research is certain.

A meeting of the association at New Orleans is a proper acknowledgment of

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