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## REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE FOR THE CHICAGO MEETING, CONVOCATION WEEK, 1907-8

THE fifty-eighth meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science was held from December 30, 1907, to January 3, 1908, inclusive, at the University of Chicago.

This was the second meeting in Chicago, and, including the one at New Orleans, the ninth which has been held so far west. The first Chicago meeting, the seventeenth of the association, was held in August, 1868. Several things about it seem of interest in this connection. The sessions were held in the Assembly Hall of the Y. M. C. A. Building and the Baptist Church, both located in what is now the downtown business section of the city. The meeting was under the auspices of the citizens rather than of any scientific or educational body.

During the war no meetings were held, but in 1866 an effort was made to revive the association, and a meeting was informally called at Buffalo. It was attended by 79 persons.