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THE NEW YORK CONVOCATION

THE meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the affiliated national scientific societies held in New York City during the last week of the year was the largest and most important gathering of scientific men hitherto held in this country or elsewhere. The association met in twelve sections and there were fifty-two separate societies in session, not counting the four great engineering societies, which held one general meeting with the association. It is difficult to estimate the attendance. The registration of members of the association was in the neighborhood of 2,100, but it is impossible to state the percentage of members of the association who register, or the percentage of those in attendance at the meeting who are members of the association. Casual observation seemed to indicate that about one in four or five attending the meetings wore the badge of the association and this would give an attendance of over 8,000, but naturally very little weight can be laid on such an estimate. In spite of the magnitude of the meeting, Columbia University and the other places in which sessions were held did not appear