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INTRODUCTION

The ninety-eighth meeting of the association, which opened at Rochester, N. Y., on June 16, was the second to be held in that city. In 1892 this city was host to the forty-first meeting. For that year Professor Joseph LeConte was president of the association and presided at the public sessions. Among the vice-presidents, who also served as chairmen of the eight then established sections, were in geology Professor H. S. Williams, of Cornell, the leader among the founders of Sigma Xi, and in biology Professor S. H. Gage, under whose chairmanship at that meeting the section was divided into the present sections on botany and zoology. The local secretary of that first Rochester

meeting was Professor H. L. Fairchild, of the University of Rochester, who served for many years as a member of the executive committee and was always active in the work of the association. For the recent meeting he was honored with the appointment as honorary chairman of the local committee.

This recent second Rochester meeting was the eighteenth to be held in cities of the Empire State. The association held its sixth meeting in Albany in 1851 and also its tenth in 1856 in the same city. Buffalo sponsored the fifteenth meeting in 1866, the twenty-fifth in 1876, the thirty-fifth in 1886 and the forty-fifth in 1896. The nineteenth meeting was held in Troy in 1870, the twenty-eighth in Saratoga in