

BULLETIN OF THE  
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THE SEVENTH SUMMER MEETING OF THE  
AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY.

THE Seventh Summer Meeting of the AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY was held at Columbia University, New York City, beginning on the afternoon of Wednesday, June 27, 1900, and extending through the two following days. As usual, the meeting was held in connection with that of the American association for the advancement of science, the Society being one of sixteen scientific bodies which have responded to the invitation of the Association to meet simultaneously with it. A considerable mutual advantage naturally arises from the arrangement. Attendance is facilitated and increased; broader interests are suggested; and a sense of scientific solidarity is experienced. The affiliated societies lose nothing of their individuality or independence, their relation to the Association not necessarily involving any more than mere simultaneous meeting. Plans for a closer official connection are, however, under consideration; it may be found advisable to give the societies, as such, a representation in the councils of the Association. Such a federation would undoubtedly be beneficial in many respects. Meanwhile, a cordial spirit of coöperation prevails between the societies and the sections of the Association. The Mathematical Society devoted the two sessions of Thursday to a joint meeting with Section A, and the other sessions of the two bodies were arranged for mutual convenience of attendance. The Society contributed to the officers of the Association their common president, Professor R. S. Woodward, and to Section A the vice-president, Professor Asaph Hall, Jr., the secretary, Dr. W. M. Strong, and the vice-president elect, Professor James McMahon.

The early date of the meeting conflicted to some extent with the academic duties of many members, and reduced the period of preparation and accumulation of ma-