

### THE MARCH MEETING OF THE AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY AT CHICAGO.

THE twelfth regular meeting of the American Mathematical Society at Chicago, being also the forty-third regular meeting of the Chicago Section, was held on Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29, at the University of Chicago. The various sessions were attended by about forty persons, among whom were the following thirty-one members of the Society:

Dr. I. A. Barnett, Professor H. F. Blichfeldt, Professor G. A. Bliss, Dr. Henry Blumberg, Professor W. H. Bussey, Professor R. D. Carmichael, Professor E. W. Chittenden, Professor A. R. Crathorne, Professor D. R. Curtiss, Professor L. E. Dickson, Professor L. W. Dowling, Mr. E. B. Escott, Professor A. M. Kenyon, Professor W. C. Krathwohl, Professor Kurt Laves, Professor A. C. Lunn, Professor G. A. Miller, Professor E. H. Moore, Professor E. J. Moulton, Professor H. L. Rietz, Professor W. H. Roever, Mr. J. B. Rosenbach, Dr. A. R. Schweitzer, Professor J. B. Shaw, Professor E. B. Skinner, Professor H. E. Slaught, Professor E. B. Van Vleck, Professor G. E. Wahlin, Professor E. J. Wilczynski, Professor J. W. A. Young, and Professor Alexander Ziwet.

Twenty-nine persons joined in a dinner at the Quadrangle Club on Friday evening. Following the dinner, a number of short informal speeches were made in response to calls from Professor Bliss who presided. Professor Slaught read interesting extracts from a letter which he had just received from Professor E. R. Hedrick, who is in France helping to organize educational work for members of the American Expeditionary Forces. Professor Ziwet of the University of Michigan extended a most cordial invitation to members of the Section to come to the summer session of the Society next September at Ann Arbor. Several members spoke against the too common practice among mathematicians of giving gratuitously information of a technical nature to persons untrained in mathematics; it was argued that the worth of mathematics would be more widely appreciated and its development correspondingly more rapid if mathematicians demanded adequate compensation for such services.

At a short business session on Saturday morning there was