## THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

The meeting of the British Association for 1897 takes place this year in Toronto, opens on August 18th and closes on August 25th. This will be the second meeting held outside the British Isles, the first having taken place in Montreal, in 1884. The meetings of the various sections of the Association will be held in the lecture room and laboratories of the University of Toronto and of the School of Practical Science. The president's address and the evening lectures will be delivered in Massey Hall.

Only those who are members can attend the meetings of the Association. There are three classes of membership in the Association: (a) life; (b) annual; (c) associate. The fee for life membership is £10 (\$50.00); that for the first year of annual membership, £2 (\$10.00), and subsequently £1 (\$5.00); associates pay, on admission, £1 (\$5.00).

Associates are not eligible to serve on committees or to hold office in the Association, nor do they receive the reports of the Association, except on payment of an additional sum.

The fellows and members of chartered literary and philosophical societies publishing transactions, in the British Empire, are entitled to become members of the Association on payment of the required fees, and upon subscribing to an obligation to conform to its rules.

The officers and members of the councils, or managing committees, of philosophical institutions are entitled, in like manner, to become members of the Association.

All members of a philosophical institution recommended by its council or managing committee are entitled, in like manner, to become members of the Association.

Persons not belonging to such institutions may be elected to membership, in the Association by the general committee or council of the Association, subject to the approval of a general meeting of the Association.

Ladies may become members or associates on the same terms as gentlemen, and ladies' tickets (transferable to ladies only) may be obtained on payment of £1 (\$5.00).

Owing to the special circumstances of the meeting for this year, the local executive committee will elect persons members of the Association, subject to the approval of the general meeting of the Association, who send, with their application for membership, the