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## *THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION.*

The meeting of this important Association, held last month in the city of Montreal, was, perhaps, the most notable one in its history

In the first place, it was held outside the borders of the United States, a compliment being paid to the Dominion of Canada of holding it in this country. Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, of St. Paul, Minnesota, the President of the Association, referred to this in the following words: "This is the first meeting of the American Bar Association outside of the United States. Though we meet in a foreign country, we do so among a people allied to us by every tie that binds nations in a common brotherhood. We are of the same race, speaking the same language, governed by the same general principles of law, inspired by the same traditions, working out as separate nations the same great destiny. I hope that the peace which has so long existed between these peoples may be further cemented, and mutual and friendly intercourse continue to increase. On behalf of the American Bar Association, I welcome this opportunity to extend to the officials and lawyers of the Dominion of Canada our sincere thanks for the great assistance they have rendered towards making this a memorable meeting of our Association." On behalf of the Bar of the Dominion we recognize and appreciate the compliment thus paid to us.

In the next place this gathering was not merely of members of the Bar, but also of judges, who met in connection with the Bar Association for a conference of their own. In speaking of this, Hon. Thomas W. Shelton, of Virginia, who presided at the Conference of Judges, said: "It is the first Conference of Judges ever held in the history of the United States. The object is to bring about uniformity in judicial procedure amongst the States through fixed interstate judicial relations just as there is now fixed interstate commercial relations."