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WE are indebted to our distinguished friends of the *Italian Phreniatric Society* for a copy of the report of the proceedings of their Fifth Congress, held at Siena in September, 1886. The entire contents are exceedingly interesting and very instructive. The sittings of the Congress extended over six days; the papers read were very numerous, and the discussions which followed were of an unusually high order. Nothing less was to be expected from the eminent gentlemen in attendance. Our readers may readily understand this when we present the names of even a few of the members in attendance. It would be a pleasing duty to give the whole list, but our disposable space does not permit the gratification. No American psychologist or alienist will require any confirmation of our eulogy after recognising the following well known names of the distinguished writers and speakers whom we here present, viz:

Senator Verga, Doctors Tamburini, Buonomo, Lambroso, Algeri, Bianchi, Marchi, Seppilli, Verga, Tonnini, Tanzi, Morselli, Michetti, Amadei:—we must halt, for however much we desire to manifest our appreciation of the merits and great talents of the whole body, we are convinced the readers of the ALIENIST are well prepared to admit that a phreniatric society, showing in its membership the illustrious names above given, must be an honour to the nation which they so ably represent; nor is it without fraternal satisfaction, and even some degree of pride, that we are able to say it has been through the pages of the ALIENIST, almost exclusively, that American