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William Henry Goddard

1882-1883

Doctor Goddard, of Louisville, was elected twenty-second president of the Association at the 1882 meeting in Cincinnati. He had served as treasurer since 1867.

Doctor Goddard was born in Massachusetts in 1808 and died during his term as president, on March 4, 1883. An obituary in the 1883 edition of *Transactions of the American Dental Association* included the following: "In his profession he strove to be abreast of the times. Honors came to him unsought; and whatever station in life he occupied or whatever trusts he administered, he was honest and faithful."

The Pendleton Act of 1883 established the civil service system of competitive examinations for federal employment. It also prohibited the levying of campaign contributions upon federal employees. Telephone communication between New York and Chicago was opened.