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THE COLLEGE UNION.

It may be in the recollection of our readers that the members of the staff were 'At Home' on Sunday the 23rd February to meet their colleague, Professor Panchanan Mitra M. A., P. R. S. (A full account of this pleasant function appeared in our *February* issue). It was suggested on this happy occasion by Professor Ladlimohan Mitra and several other members of the staff that a **College Union** in which the members of the staff might come together and mix freely with one another was a *desideratum*. It was accordingly settled by the members present that such a **Union** including not only the Professors and Demonstrators but also the Laboratory Assistants, the Librarian and the office staff should be started at once and that it should meet once a month except during vacation months. A small subscription was to be paid by all the members for each month in which the **Union** was to be held, in order to defray the incidental expenses of tea and light (?) refreshments. Professors Ladlimohan Mitra and Panchanan Mitra were unanimously appointed Honorary Secretaries of the **Union** and the whole scheme received the sympathy and support of our esteemed Principal on the spot.

Accordingly, the preliminaries having been gone through, the **Union** was inaugurated on Sunday the 23rd March, on which date it held its sitting from 6 P. M. to 9 P. M. The Proceedings commenced with a patriotic song sung by Sj. Krishnakumar Bhattacharyya to the accompaniment of instrumental music executed by Sj. Nirendrakumar Basu (both these gentlemen were kind enough to grace the **Union** with their presence, to which the organisers offer them their best thanks). This was followed by a neat, little speech from the Principal explaining the object of the **Union** and expressing his warm approval of the idea.

Then came another song from the above-named talented artist. In the meantime tea and *pan* were served and gup and gossip enlivened the proceedings, the utmost cordiality prevailing among the assembled members. Then came a short paper from the pen of Professor Lalitkumar Banerjee entitled *Sahityer neshā*, which treated of the philosophy of such Unions in a humorous vein, putting us in mind of the weighty words of the immortal Addison:—"Our modern celebrated clubs are founded upon eating and drinking, which are points wherein most men agree, and in which the learned and illiterate, the dull and the airy, the philosopher and the buffoon, can all of them bear a part. When men are thus knit together by love of society, not a spirit of faction, and do not meet to censure or annoy those that are absent, but to enjoy one another...there may be something very useful in these little institutions and establishments."

More songs followed, another outsider who was kind enough to join the assembly, S_j. Haritkrishna Dev M. A., and Sailendranath Basu of the office staff contributing their quota to the musical entertainment till at last 'the feast of reason and the flow of soul' was disturbed by a strong and primitive instinct of human nature which caused a simultaneous rush of the members present to the supper-table groaning under a heavy weight of *loochi*, *potol-bhājā*, *ilur dam*, *chatni*, and the 'sweetest last'—*Sandesh* and *rasagolla*! O! how 'this neat repast of Attic taste' would have delighted the souls of Horace and Milton! Ample justice was done by the hungry company to the *menu*, after which the assembly parted with hearty wishes for 'many happy returns' of the Union and sincere regret for the members who were unavoidably absent.

The secretaries received the cordial co-operation of S_j. Rajkumar Banerjee, S_j. Sukhendrakumar Roy, S_j. Rohinikumar Majumdar, S_j. Sailapati Chatterjee, S_j. Debansunath Chakravarti and the Librarian S_j. Manishitan Bose.

The next sitting of the Union is to come off on Monday the 14th April *i. e.*, the Bengalee New Year's Day, an auspicious day indeed for such a happy gathering.

Professor Panchanan Mitra M. A., P. R. S. agreed to give his colleagues some idea of his valuable researches in a short synopsis in Bengalee to be read at the next sitting and Professor Devendranath Mukherjee M. A. volunteered to read a paper called '*Okalatir moha*' in Bengalee on the same occasion.

THE COLLEGE ASSOCIATION.

It never rains but it pours. Another Association which has a somewhat similar object in view has been started at this lag-end of the session. This movement has been set on foot by the students of the College, especially by those of the Third Year B. A. Class, with a view to bring into closer contact the students and teachers than is possible in the lecture-hall and the laboratory. The Association expects to be something more than a mere 'Debating Club', although one of its functions will be the customary reading of papers and discussion of the topics dealt with in them.

A meeting was convened for the purpose of starting the Association on Saturday the 22nd March at 3-15 P. M. in Room No. 1. The Principal kindly consented to preside; several members of the staff were present as well as a large number of students. The hall was full to overflowing and the object of the meeting was eloquently explained by Sj. Durgadas Chatterjee of the 3rd Year B. A. Class. Several other 3rd Year students spoke on the occasion. The President had to repeatedly exhort the First Year Students to articulate their views till at last some of them got over their shyness and said their say. The office-bearers were then elected.

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