

nouncement on the profession of Teaching which we deem it at once a pleasure and a privilege to quote in another part of the Magazine.

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Another sound pronouncement was made by His Excellency the Viceroy in opening the Conference of Directors of Public Instruction on the 22nd instant. We are fully in sympathy with the view propounded in the speech and we have great pleasure in quoting the most important portion of it on a later page.

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### OUR SARASWATI PUJA.

The Annual Saraswati Puja was celebrated in the College with due pomp and ceremony and many hundreds of College and School students offered oblations of flowers (*pushpanjali*) to the Goddess of Learning with hearts full of *bhakti*. The formalities of the worship over, the usual feast came off after mid-day and it was enjoyed fully by the youngsters; batch after batch of merry feasters squatted down on the floor in true oriental fashion and fell to with keen appetite. The feast went on till 8 P. M. and then at last the long labours of the purveyors of food ceased. Great credit is due for conducting the entire affair to Srijut Kalidas Mullik, Senior Professor, Srijut Hiralal Basu and other Teachers of the School, Srijut Benodbehari Ghosh of the clerical staff and last not least, an active band of College and School Students without whose hearty co-operation and ungrudging labours the work could never have been carried through with signal success. It is only to be regretted that the same zeal and energy were not to be found in a large number of students whose apathy and aloofness must be condemned as quite out of keeping with the *esprit de corps* that should be the distinctive feature of College-life.

*N. B. We have purposely delayed the publication of the January issue in order to have the pleasure of recording this account of the College Saraswati Puja in it, instead of waiting till the next issue.*

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