

further states that half the money thus realised will be utilised to create a Students' Poor Fund to help those students who are unable to pay their tuition fees, and the remaining half will go to meet the expenses of the Literary Board and the two socials that are held every year by the students of our College. We hope the authorities will kindly see their way to complying with this very just request of our students.

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Our hearty welcome to Prof. J. C. Banerjee, late of Patna College, who has recently joined our staff on retiring from Government service. Prof. J. C. Banerjee's profound scholarship is too well known to be mentioned here. We hope he will add to that lustre of our Institution which, alas! seems to be so bedimmed by the death of Prof. Lalit Kumar Banerjee.

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We are glad to announce that our College has been affiliated in **Civics** up to the I. A. Standard.

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### MRS. LOTIKA BASU AT OUR COLLEGE.

At a meeting of the Literary Board of Bangabasi College Students' Association Mrs. Lotika Basu, B. Litt. (Oxon), was invited to read a paper on "Modern English Lyric Poetry." Mrs. Basu was accorded a most cordial and enthusiastic reception when she arrived, accompanied by her husband, Dr. S. K. Basu, and the lecture-theatre was crowded to suffocation. Principal G. C. Bose who presided on the occasion, introduced the distinguished guest to the students and the staff in a neat little speech. Mrs. Basu read her interesting paper for more than an hour amid pin-drop silence, and kept her audience spell-bound not only by her fine

eloquence, and niceties of expression, but also by the deep interest she had created in the subject of her discourse. We have great pleasure in publishing her paper fully in our columns elsewhere. Prof. J. N. Chakravarty, the Vice-Principal, thanked her for the trouble she had taken in coming to the College, and for the highly interesting and edifying paper she had read. Then rose Prof. A. Das-Gupta, who in thanking Mrs. Lotika Basu on behalf of the staff for kindly entertaining the audience with a subject of deep and profound interest, observed that they had many times listened to the speeches of Mrs. Lotika Basu as broadcast by the radio, but the present occasion afforded them the unique opportunity and pleasure of seeing Mrs. Lotika Basu in their midst, and listening to her words as they fell from her lips with so much effect on their minds. Mrs. Basu, the speaker continued, had distinguished herself not only by her literary talents, but also by her patriotism and sacrifice; and it was the spirit of sacrifice and love of literature that had induced her to accept the invitation of the Literary Board to read a paper on "Modern English Lyric Poetry" in spite of numerous calls upon her time and attention to the service of the mother-land. There were men teachers in women's colleges, but there was no woman teacher in men's colleges; so the speaker not only wished that Mrs. Lotika Basu should kindly come to this College as often as she could to lecture to the students, but also expressed the hope that she would give them the pleasure of her actually joining this College in the near future as a member of its teaching staff (loud cheers).

At the end of the meeting the guests and the staff were treated to light refreshments.

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