

THE COLLEGE UNION.

The College Union held its fourth sitting on Sunday, the 24th August, from 7 to 9 P. M. After a few opening songs, Sj. Indranayan Mukhopadhyaya read a paper on "*Sangite Rabindranath o Rajanikante*" which was followed by a short, sound criticism from the Principal. Professor Panchanan Ghoshal then read some extracts from Michael Madhusudan Dutt's works, throwing light on the character of the poet. Professor Bhababibhuti Bhattacharyya was to have read some humorous slokas in Sanskrit, but as he could not come owing to unavoidable circumstances we thought that the item of paper-reading was at an end, when our esteemed Professor Lalitkumar Banerjee delightfully surprised all present with a few *Chutkis*, written in his characteristic inimitable humorous style. A sumptuous repast followed, and then all went home, not, however, before being entertained with a few more songs. On the whole the affair was a great success. But at the same time, we regret to say that some of the members were conspicuous by their absence. We hope, however, that this was due to unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances, and that in the next gathering before the Pujas we shall have the pleasure of finding them all in our midst.

Ladlimohan Mitra (*Science*)

Jitendranath Chakravarti (*Arts*)

Joint-Secretaries.

THE COLLEGE ASSOCIATION.

The Third Meeting of the Bangabasi College Association was held on Saturday the 23rd August in Room 1. at 3-15 P. M. Despite the late commencement of the meeting, there was a fair attendance of students. Our sincere thanks go to Professor Rajkumar Chakravarti, M. A. who very kindly presided on the occasion.

The Report of the Proceedings of the last meeting of the Association as well as that of the proceedings of the last Social Gathering organised by the Association being read out by the Secretary and confirmed by the meeting, the President called upon the students of the day to read their papers on '*How to spend the Long Vacation.*' Sj. Chandra Bose of the 2nd Year I. Sc. Class

in his well-written essay chiefly dwelt on the need of developing the literary taste during the Vacation by reading books other than the prescribed texts.

Then S^r. Durgadas Chatterjee of the 4th Year B. A. Class, read out his paper, in which there was a hint given to the students of the strenuous work that awaited them on their leaving the University. He exhorted his audience to prepare for that strenuous struggle, (প্রসিপাতেন)—by bowing down to the Lord with heart kindled by natural piety, (পরিপ্রথেন)—by searching after Truth, and (সেবয়)—by helping the distressed and the needy.

S^r. Basantakumar Ghose criticised the two papers and remarked that the essayists had rather overshot the mark—Student-life was not for carrying on philanthropic works so much as for storing up knowledge true and perfect, so that when the time comes, each one of the students will be ready for the fight.

The President then expressed great satisfaction at the two papers written in an erudite style. He then wound up the debate, saying that both intellectual culture and execution of humane work were necessary.

The subject for the next debate to be held on the 30th August 1919 was fixed as follows :—

Prose : S^r. Sukumar Guha—2nd Year I. Sc.
vs. **Poetry** : S^r. Kshitischandra Roy—4th Year B. A.

The 4th meeting of the Bangabasi College Association came off on Saturday the 30th August in Room 1., at 2-15 P. M.

Prof. Jitendranath Chakravarti M. A., presided and there was a fair attendance of students. The selected subject for debate—**Prose vs. Poetry**—had to be dropped as both of the essayists—S^r. Sukumar Guha and S^r. Kshitischandra Roy were absent. A new subject 'Village life. vs. City life' was chosen on the spot. It is a hopeful sign that there were several extempore speakers including 1st and 3rd Year Students. An animated debate ensued, in which some of the esteemed Professors joined. Prof. Rajkumar Chakravarti M. A. patched up a reconciliation between the advocates of the two sides, with the comment that the city and the village were inter-dependent. The President remarked that his opinion was the same as that of his learned colleague and that he would have liked to deal more fully with the question but there was hardly enough time for the purpose.

The Secretary proposed that a Social Gathering be held on the eve of the Puja vacation like the one held on the eve of the Long Vacation. The proposal was carried and with a vote of thanks to the chair the meeting terminated.

Durgadas Chatterjee,
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