

in its new session is, as the President of the Association rightly remarked, an auspicious sign and foretells of a bright future of the Association.

The second sitting of the Association came off on August 17, under the presidentship of Prof. Bhababihuti Vidyabhusan. The meeting commenced with a song by Kanai Basu. S. Pulin Pal of the 4th yr. B. A. read an interesting paper in Bengali by the name of "লেজুর মাহাত্ম্য". About the paper we need not say anything but that it was able to please him who is the pioneer in the art of such humorous writing, we mean Prof. Lalit Kumar Banerji, and that Prof Nripendra Chandra Banerji remarked that the young writer was a worthy pupil of Lalit Babu. We find no higher compliment for our friend. Elsewhere we publish the paper.

In conclusion we welcome our new friends who have joined us in the current session.

Kanai Basu.
Hony. Secretary,
Students' Association.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS.

At a general meeting of the College students held in the middle of July, the following gentlemen were elected office-bearers of the College Athletic Club for the current session :—

President—Principal G. C. Bose.

Vice-Presidents— Prof. J. N. Chakravarti.

N. C. Banerjee.

P. C. Ghosh.

R. K. Chakravarti.

Captain—Mr. Dwijendranath Mitter (3rd year B. A.)

Vice-Captain—Mr. Basanta Bagchi (2nd yr. D)

Jt. Hony. Secretaries—Mr. Basanta De (resigned)

Dwarakanath Mookerjee

(2nd yr. D)

Tridivkanta Dasgupta (2nd

yr. E) elected in place of

Basanta De.

One representative from every section of a class was also duly elected.

This year we took part in the Elliot Shield Competition, The Inter-Collegiate Football League Competition, The G. C. Bose Cup, the Shibabaran Memorial Shield, and the Union Challenge Shield (a six-a-side competition). In the Inter-Collegiate League our position is very low. We lost almost all the games owing to the indifference of our players which is to be highly regretted. In spite of the attraction of the Shield and the medals, not to speak of the opportunity to raise the College Athletic Club in the estimation of others, our boys do not play the games of the League with determination. No players also were available to play the Union Challenge Shield. It is to be hoped that in future years the coming generation of students will set a better example.

The G. C. Bose Cup and the Shibabaran Memorial Shield competitions are open to our College students only. As these competitions are not yet over, a report of the various games in their connection, will appear in the next issue of the College Magazine. Here we shall content our readers with a description of our games in the Elliot Shield competition in which as in last year, we had to be satisfied with the Runners-up-Cup only.

Our first game in the Elliot Shield competition was with our neighbours—the Ripon College boys. We defeated them on the Presidency College ground by two goals to one. It was a close-fought fight. The ground was a pool of water owing to a heavy shower immediately after the game had started. It was a pleasing sight to see our boys playing with

a grim determination to win. Both the scores are to be credited to the accounts of Dwijen Mitter, our redoubtable captain. The Ripon College boys fought hard to equalise, but Bagchi, our right back, baffled all their efforts. They could at best reduce the margin with a beautiful header by their centre forward which gave our custodian absolutely no chance. It may be remembered in this connection that last year, too, the Ripon College boys lost to us by exactly the same margin in the same competition.

Our next game was with the Scottish Churches College to whom we had to lower our colours in the final last year. The game took place on the Greer ground and was witnessed by a large number of boys belonging to both the colleges. We won the game by three goals to nil. It is to be noted that our boys played from the very start with a grim determination to win and retrieve the honour lost last year.

Next we met the Presidency College boys on the Mohan Bagan ground in the semi-final of the competition and beat them hollow by a goal to nil after a keen struggle.

The final — the fateful final day — came off on the 31st August on the Mohan Bagan ground. Our opponents were the Law College boys. They have a great reputation, as they are the champions of the Inter-Collegiate League, and all their players are veteran footballers, the majority being of the Challenge Shield fame. Yet it must be said to the credit of our players that they pressed hard undaunted, and maintained this pressure right through. But luck was against us. Both the goals scored by our opponents were in the nature of gifts. The first was scored without any effort and nobody knows how the ball found the net. Our custodian Roby had left the posts and gone to clear the ball which apparently struck the leg of an outsider, rolled back and found the net when all thought the referee would declare an "out". But the referee is not to blame for this; the touch-lines were so crowded with spectators that it was impossible to see whether the ball went out or not.

Be that as it may, the goal was allowed, and for the next few minutes our players tried their level best to equalise, and were successful when a flag kick by Dwijen Mitter saw the ball roll into the net. That flag-kick was a beauty. If our boys could have maintained this pressure we would have come with flying colours. But this was not to be. Soon after the resumption of the game after the interval our boys seemed to be exhausted. The two wings were mere spectators in the game, and failed to drive the leather and centre it when opportunities came. Our defence was thus compelled to strain every nerve. At last a centre from Dulal, the right wing man of the Law College team, failed to be cleared by Bagchi who seemed to have been completely exhausted, and it was an easy task for the Law College centre forward to bang the ball into our net. Thus we lost to Law College by two goals to one, and had to come away as the second best team in the competition with the Runners-up Cup.

During the play Roby, our custodian, played a great game. But for him we would have been surely defeated by a bigger margin. It is doubtful if we could go up to the final without him. Basanta Bagchi at back, Nirode Bose at half, and Dwijen Mitter at centre-forward also deserve special mention.

D. Mookerjee

&

T. Das Gupta,

Joint Hony. Secretaries,

Bangabasi College Athletic Club.