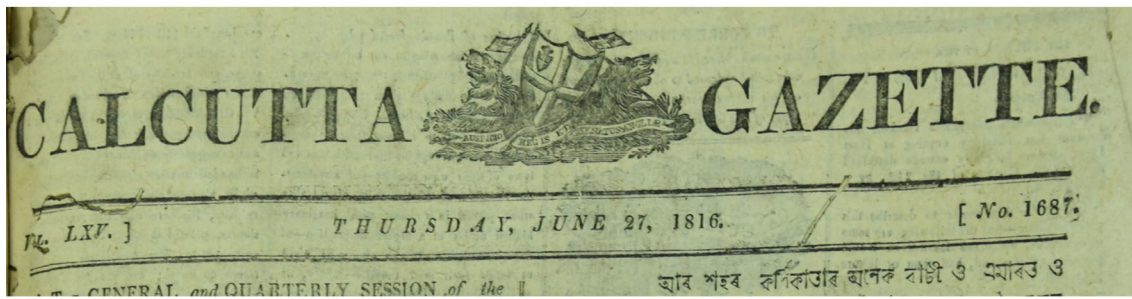


Meeting of the Committee for Purchasing a place for Hindoo College

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HINDOO COLLEGE.

On the 25th instant, there took place a meeting of the Committee for purchasing a place for the Hindoo College, at which there prevailed very great unanimity.

The secretary, in conformity to a resolution of the previous meeting, had circulated among the members copies of various plans, including one compiled by himself. At this meeting were read the additions and corrections suggested by various members. They were not very numerous; and the main features of the plan met with general approbation. It was resolved that a sub-committee be appointed forthwith to take into consideration that and the other plans, and the various additions and improvements which had been or might be suggested, with a view to the preparation of a final plan. As soon as it is completed, the secretaries are to convene a meeting of the general Committee; and when it has received the general Committee's sanction, it will forthwith be laid before the subscribers and the public.

The sub-committee consists of six native and three European Gentlemen, besides the Secretary. Should however any other member of the general committee, or any other subscriber to the funds of the institution find it convenient to attend and take part in the sub-committee's labour, they are instructed to associate him with themselves. It is expected that in this manner a complete insight will be obtained into the opinions and views of the subscribers, which will enable the sub-Committee to frame such a plan as will give general satisfaction to the Hindoo public. This hope may be the more readily indulged, that certain principles have been already agreed on, and a plan brought forward, the chief provisions of which gave general satisfaction.

The amount of the subscriptions at present is Sa. Rs. 66,700, of which not less than 25,000 has been contributed by the liberal family of the Mullicks. Almost all the subscribers declare their resolution to add to their contributions, as soon as a definitive plan shall have been agreed on, which shall decide the mode and terms of the subscription. Calculations have in the mean time been made which purport to shew, that one lac subscribed to a fund destined to remain at interest during the first year, and afterwards to purchase ground and erect those buildings soonest required, together with half a lac constituting a fund, the capital and interest of which may be gradually expended, during the four years ensuing, on current expences, will enable the managers of the institution to commence instruction, with every reasonable prospect of final success. The chief difficulties will be experienced during the first year.

The chief Hindoo families undoubtedly take a lively interest in the design. The confidence which they evince in their European friends and advisers is very marked. It is calculated to excite a very lively surprise in those who have not witnessed and watched the expansion of sentiment, and growth of liberal mindedness, which has been for some years past progressive among them.

We copy the following lively and pleasing description of the improvements recently made in the interior of Chouringhee Theatre from the Harkara of Saturday:

“The decorations and alterations of the Chouringhee Theatre are now nearly completed, and the house will be perfectly ready