

The Stephanotis Society



IN the school year 1899, a class of girls, who were taking second-year English, decided to form a literary society. Miss DeLagneau took a great interest in the project, and helped the girls in many ways. In due time the club was started under the name of the Stephanotis Society, "Stephanotis" meaning "worthy of a crown." The colors are those of the stephanotis flower, green and white.

At first only students taking full work in the second, third, or fourth year were eligible for membership. However, in September, 1901, the constitution was amended, and upon a unanimous vote first-year students were admitted.

For two years the society was very small, and little was known about it in the school. However, it has grown materially, the membership being now over forty; and, through the kindness of the Collegiate Girls' Club and of the faculty, it has become better known.

The regular meetings are held every other Friday, there being four social meetings and one business meeting each quarter. The programmes consist of literary reviews, debates, and papers. At the end of each quarter there is an open meeting, to which all the friends of the club are invited. It has been the custom in these meetings to give musical or literary programmes. However, three times plays have been given. This quarter the society is to give a burlesque on Shakespeare.

The charter members of the society were: Gertrude Ellis, Eldora Ellis, Alberta Hammon, Violet Fraser, Louise Murray, Louise Birkhoff, Ruth Chadwick, Grace McCasky, Louise Brown, Maud Pollard, Edith Amsden, Gertrude W. Tyler, Bessie Bradtstram, Ethel Midgley, Katherine Plumbley, Edna Wright.

The present officers are: President, Helen White; Vice-President, Mabel Aldridge; Secretary, Marjorie Howe; Treasurer, Emily Frake; Corresponding Secretary, Bess Gill.

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