FIRST CATHOLIC CLUB
MEETING THIS YEAR

Large Attendance Expected—Fr. Scanlon to Address Speakers.

Another of the active clubs in the Institute announces the first meeting this year. On October 15, 1912, the Catholic Club will hold its annual open meeting at 8 o'clock in the Union. With a record of membership of thirty-five last year, the club is out to exceed a still larger number this year.

This meeting is held primarily for the purpose of formulating plans for the rest of the year, including the arrangements of dates for following meetings and selection of speakers, etc. All Catholics in the Institute, especially the new men, are cordially invited to attend. This meeting is by far the most important of all to them. It will give them a chance to get acquainted with the men in the upper classes and to learn about the aims of the club.

The officers of the club hope that every Freshman will take this advantage to join the club and also enjoy a few hours of pleasant entertainment on Tuesday evening. Light refreshments will be served and a good time is in store for those who will come.

Fr. Scanlon, the Spiritual Director, will address the club and announce the speakers for the various meetings during the year.

CIVIL SMOKER.

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and a fire built in the fireplace. Then the men sat squattled on the floor in a circle, and for an hour sang songs dear to the hearts of loyal Tech men. Following this an impressive ceremony, similar to the custom of smoking the pipe of friendship at Dartmouth, was carried out. At a signal, silence fell upon the crowd, broken only by the roaring of the flames in the fireplace. Slowly the door at the right of the room opened, and Indian braves in full costume and war paint entered, sat down in front of the fire, placed the assembly, and then faced the fire again. After several moments of absolute silence the door opened again and the chief entered, carrying the pipe of peace. He addressed the fireplace, lighted the pipe, made several signs with it over his head, and then passed it to the brave. Each one took a puff and then passed it until every man in the room had smoked it. When the pipe was returned to the chief he got up and addressed a few remarks in Indian language, and then turned to his audience and spoke, addressing them as "Heap good Tech men." When the speech was concluded the Indians went slowly out of the room, and until the last man was gone not a word was spoken. Professor Russell said that it was the most impressive ceremony that he had ever witnessed, and hoped that the custom would be followed by all succeeding classes. The class numerously engraved the pipe, and it now lies on the shelf above the fireplace awaiting the next class. The men formed a long line and lock-stepped through the entire building and past the long line of tents, stopping at each tent to cheer until its towel, or lack of same, compelled it to stop. Then they retired, every man noting if a sitting end to the most enjoyable summer they ever spent.

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