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THE LADY SYMON

BUILDING.

WOMEN STUDENTS' UNION

FOUNDATION-STONE LAID.

The foundation-stone of the Lady Symon Building, which is being erected at the rear of the University near the Victoria-drive, as the result of a gift of £10,000 by Sir Josiah Symon,

K.C., was laid by Sir Josiah on Monday afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering. The Chancellor of the University (Sir George Murray) presided, and among those present were the vice-chancellor (Sir William Mitchell), members of the council (Sir Langdon Bonython, Sir Joseph Verco, Professors Chapman and McKellar Stewart, Dr. Helen Mayo, Messrs. W. G. Young, E. W. Holder, and A. G. Price), also members of the senate, and the professional staff, as well as graduates and undergraduates.

The Chancellor said it was his privilege on behalf of the University to invite Sir Josiah Symon to lay the foundation-stone of the structure, which was the women students' portion of the new women building, the erection of which had been made possible by his liberality (Applause.) The men's portion of the building would occupy a position farther east, and the two would be united by the refectory at the

back, which was now in the course of construction. The intervening space would take the form of a cloister. It would be the University memorial to those who had given their lives during the Great War. Sir Josiah's gift was a splendid one, not only from the point of view of the money which it represented, but also from the point of view of the benefits which it would confer upon the students of the University. (Applause.)

Education by Consultation.

Education was not drawn entirely from the lecture-rooms and laboratories nor even from books. An important part, some people thought not the least important part, might be derived from consultation, disputation, discussion, and social intercourse between those who were engaged in the same or similar intellectual pursuits. They knew that to be true in every committee, every club, and every society. It was also true in a University. Hitherto they had no common meeting