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SARAT CHANDRA ROY (4th November, 1871 - 30th April, 1942): Sarat Chandra Roy, the 'father of ethnography' was a graduate of General Assembly's Institute in English in 1892. He subsequently studied law and began his career as a teacher. But he later started practicing law in Ranchi after he became aware of the plight of the tribal people in the region and wanted to help them. Deeply moved by their hapless situation, he tried to make their lives better by trying to understand them and their ways more. He spent many years among them studying their languages, their customs, practices, religion and laws. He wrote pioneering monographs on his ethnographical studies, and thus although he was not formally trained in either ethnology or anthropology, he is regarded the first Indian ethnologist or an Indian anthropologist. He also started the reputed anthropological journal *Man in India* in 1921. The College is proud to have nurtured such an empathetic yet scientific mind.