

During the past few weeks the hand of Death has rested heavily upon us and both professors and students have been made to realize that all things lead but to the grave. The deaths within a month of Professor Henry Glasmacher, of Messrs W. F. Kehoe and G. E. Baskerville, of Master James Quian and Mr. John Lynch feelingly tell us "what shadows we are and what shadows we pursue." In the name and on behalf of the Faculty and students of past years as well as present, THE OWL offers this humble tribute of sincere affection in loving memory of those who have been so untimely called away and in the sympathetic hope of soothing, even a little, the heart-wounds of those who are left behind.

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The coming of Mr. Henry H. Glasmacher to Ottawa University almost nine years ago, in the capacity of professor of English Literature, was looked upon as the opening of a new epoch in literary studies and raised the most sanguine expectations in the student body. Nor did the reality disappoint those high hopes. The learning of the new professor was extraordinary, and his enthusiasm contagious, and in a very few months the beneficial influence of his labors was abundantly apparent. Little did the delighted class of twenty odd students that sat before him on the occasion of his introductory lecture dream that Mr. Glasmacher's term of service should be so short, or that he should be taken from this world in the very prime of his manhood. But so it was to be, and even before his arrival amongst us, the fatal disease had taken a first hold upon him.

Henry Herbert Glasmacher was born in Cologne, Germany, on the 12th of Nov., 1846. From his father, a distinguished lawyer, and his mother, a lady of high literary attainments, he early acquired that correct taste and love of study which were so marked a trait in his character. His classical education was acquired in the Gymnasium of Cologne. On its completion he began the study of medicine in the University of Bonn, but the outbreak of the Austro-Prussian War called him into active military service, just as he was to receive his degrees in medicine. The severity of the campaign proved disastrous to his health and he was laid low with rheumatism and heart disease. Consequent physical weakness prevented the resumption of his medical studies, and he travelled through Europe for a year. In 1868 he came to America and began again the study of medicine, but ill-health once more forced him to seek rest. He then determined to adopt teaching as a profession and began this career in St. Louis College, New York. His qualifications admirably fitted him for the work and his success was immediate. From here Mr. Glasmacher was called to Cambridge, Mass., to organize St. Thomas Aquinas' College. He established the course of studies on a modern basis and, was for seven years Principal of the institution and its most successful professor. In 1887 he came to Ottawa University to fill the chair of English Literature. Since then his life is well known to all of us. The brilliant success of his endeavors, his sympathetic nature, the extent of his knowledge and his devotion to duty were in turn the objects of unstinted admiration. But too soon the old trouble reappeared and it was with deep regret that his friend noticed his waning powers. In September 1895 he was forced to give up his classes, and those who knew him best felt that the separation had broken his already