

he was laying deep the foundation of scholarship. His depth of thought is revealed in the article on "Froebel and Dickens" in last EXCELSIOR, and, which, by his death, remains unfinished. It shows his ability in the weaving and knitting of argument. He was a favourite with all, nor did he ever give occasion for displeasure to any of his companions. He despised crooked ways and dealt frankly and honestly with all. Even in debate, where sometimes slight bickerings are apt to arise, and where he always played a prominent and weighty part, he has not been known to handle an opponent harshly. He was always the same unruffled Alex. and held unflinchingly to his opinion until convinced to the contrary, when he yielded like a man. His life gave promise of a bright future, but we trust that an endless future brighter by far than our brightest has already opened to him.

Of a deeply religious turn Alex. always made the temporal subservient to the spiritual. He was most attentive to his soul's welfare.

About two months ago he was seized with rheumatism which finally brought on a form of heart disease. Early in his illness he realized that the end was nigh, and was perfectly resigned. His mother and the good Sisters were constantly by his bedside, and his fellow students were ever ready and willing to do what they could while the reverend Fathers of the College frequently applied to his soul the healing balm of the sacraments. His father, too, attended him in his last days. Always considerate for those about him, during his illness he became even keenly sensitive for those attending him, as if only others suffered and not himself, and his smile and sympathetic glance seemed always to say "thanks." He died as he lived, peacefully and quietly as if only passing into a gentle sleep.

On Friday morning, the 28th, a solemn mass of requiem was chanted by Rev. A. McDonald, D. D., assisted by Rev. A. Thompson, D. D., as Deacon and Rev. D. M. McAdam as sub-deacon, with Rev. R. McDonald, D. D., as master of ceremonies. On the afternoon of the same day his remains were taken home for interment.

To his sorrowing mother and father, sisters and brothers, EXCELSIOR extends the most heartfelt sympathy. We trust that the good God above may strengthen them to bear their loss and grant eternal beatitude to the dear one He has called away.

