

Obituary.

CHARLES O'GARA, '01. AGED 18 YEARS.

Since our last issue the Angel of Death has visited the home of one of our fellow-students and deprived us of him forever. Little did we think on the 23rd ult. when we bid one another *au revoir* and quitted college to spend the happy days of Christmas-tide with our dear ones at home, that we were parting with one of our companions for the last time and that our farewell words were being spoken to one who before our return would be numbered among the dead. Such were too painful a reflection. Yet on the re-opening on the 7th inst., the sad news was awaiting us that Charles O'Gara, '01, had died on Thursday evening, Jan. 5th, at his father's residence in Ottawa East.

The late Charles O'Gara was a son of Mr. Martin O'Gara, Q. C. LL.D., a prominent Ottawa lawyer and a member of the Faculty of Law of this University. He received his elementary education at St. Patrick's School in this city, and commenced his classical studies under the Jesuits at St. Mary's College, Montreal. At the beginning of the present scholastic year he entered Ottawa University and was admitted to the Fifth Form. An earnest and conscientious student, a fervent Christian, and a perfect gentleman he soon endeared himself to all his masters, teachers and fellow-students. While here he was never seriously indisposed, but was troubled with kidney disease, which was the cause of his death. That his last hours were most edifying is a great consolation to us. During his short illness he had little thought that his death was near at hand. In the forenoon of the day on which he died he was visited by Rev. Father Nilles, O.M.I., but was not then prepared for confession. Later in the day his illness took a sudden turn for the worse and the priest was sent for immediately. Fear and despair seemed to take possession of him as he thought that he might die without receiving the last sacraments. But God was too good to allow so devoted a servant to die without the comforts of religion. When the priest arrived the dying boy burst forth in a prayer of thanksgiving, made his