

John Clarke Crowell



John Clarke Crowell, whose life was so prematurely ended, was a young man who was greatly beloved by his fellow students, and was himself a student of more than ordinary promise. He was born in Chicago, October 19, 1886, and died on March 9, 1904.

His early education was obtained in the Ogden School and at Oak Ridge, where he graduated in 1902. As an instance of his brightness may be mentioned that at the age of fourteen he gained a valuable prize in a reporting competition for the *Inter-Ocean*.

In September, 1902, he entered the Armour Scientific Academy, where he was noted for diligent and conscientious application to his studies. Though slightly inclined to be quiet and reserved, yet he was full of boyish enthusiasm for sport and amusement, his disposition being such as to endear him to all who knew him well. His last illness was brief but painful, and at the sad closing scene his affectionate disposition was well illustrated by his last words, which were addressed to his mother and were expressive of great love for her and of appreciation of her devotion to him.

He was buried on the eleventh of March in Oakwoods Cemetery, his classmates turning out in full and sending as a token of their feeling a floral wreath. Mr. Crowell was a member of the Washington Park Congregational Church, and was a favorite there also. The Academy adopted resolutions of sympathy, but aside from this official token of condolence, his classmates feel that they have lost a friend and a good friend.