

**Communicated.**

Editor Sheridan Road News Letter:

In regard to the question before the public of purifying our water supply, I notice that a very common argument made by the advocates of filtration is that when the Chicago drainage canal is opened the sewage of Milwaukee, Racine, and other cities north of us will flow southward along our shore and make the water even worse than it now is. This I very seriously doubt, but grant it for the moment. The writer does not care to go into a discussion of the merits or demerits of this system or that or even of filtration at all as a mode of water purification. Whatever he has to say upon that question will be reserved for some other occasion, if such is offered, but the above argument is a strong confirmation of the principle that I have maintained from the first,—that filtration if a remedy at all will not prove the ultimate remedy. The time is not far distant, drainage canal or no drainage canal, when the people all along Lake Michigan shore will stop running their sewage into the lake. I believe this will be done not only because to run it in the opposite direction will make it a source ultimately of great gain to the farming interests back from the lake. This is the natural method of protection from the evils of sewage and nature seems to have fairly well favored the villages and cities along this western shore of the lake by making such drainage possible. That it will be somewhat costly is doubtless true but if, instead of its being attempted by Highland Park alone or by any one city, there should be a combined effort such as that advocated in the council by the writer in reference to another matter a year ago, the cost will be comparatively little and a little education of farmers on this point will in time lead them to pay the cost.

H. P. DAVIDSON.

To accommodate the crowd which will want to shake the hand of President McKinley and hear the address which he has promised to deliver in Waukegan on Tuesday next the electric railway has decided to put on several extra cars.

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**Glencoe.**

GLENCOE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the council was held Thursday evening, 12th inst. all present but Mr. Poole. The only business done was the granting of an extension of thirty days to James Cape & Sons on their Green Bay road contract, and a settlement with Thomas H. Murdow for a small triangle of ground on his Green Bay front to permit of a realignment of their curve by the Electric Railway Company.

Mr. Murdow is to receive \$200 and make a deed for about a thousand square feet; and the village agrees to vacate a triangular piece of the same dimensions inside the new line as agreed on. This does not give Mr. Murdow a title to it but makes it practicable for him to get one by a suit in Chancery. One hundred of the two hundred dollars paid to Mr. Murdow is paid by Vice-President Frost, of the C. and M. E. Railway Co. The new line as agreed on enables the railway company to make an easy curve, allows the necessary twenty-five feet for the macadam roadway, and leaves seven feet for sidewalk at the narrowest point.

**Ravinia.**

On Sunday evening a large audience assembled at the M. E. church to greet Mr. Heathcote on the occasion of his last discourse. Ravinia regrets the enforced retirement of the reverend gentleman owing to ill-health. As a man he has won the respect and esteem of all, irrespective of denominationalism. As a preacher he has held for three years the admiration and attention of his congregation, notwithstanding a great part of his hearers have not been Methodists. He spoke from the words—"I have kept the Faith:" St. Paul—and following are some thoughts:

Faith joined with reason had transformed the idea of death, the theological conception of death as the penalty for sins is inadequate; as is the common statement that death is the debt we all owe to Nature; reason alone would tell us that death is as much the work of God as birth is—the same God who pours the colors into the sunset, and makes the passing of the leaves a miracle of beauty. While Faith erases from the canvas the cruel caricature by which the masters have represented death, and paints thereon a figure so fair that even the mother will leave her tiny helpless babe to embrace it; for the embrace of whom Dickens shows that Paul Dombey would leave the arms of Floy, the only being who had ever loved him. A figure no longer silent, but whose lips are parted speaking the words "Immortality—the Homeland," and at the words—we leave everything. That is death.

Again faith touches the canvas and we see the end of the world. It is growing late; the cattle are all coming home from the fields; the birds have sung themselves to sleep, factory and forum, store and warehouse are alike deserted, the bread-winner hastens home, tired golden-haired chubby, dimple cheeked children are reposing on mother's knee, that indescribable hush of eventide, has wrapped all in a silence that is sacred and see there appears a figure,—it is the Man of Nazareth thorn-crowned, blood-stained, but the arms are still extended and in gentle exultant tones he speaks, speaks not to Catholicism, nor to Baptism, nor to Methodism, but to the World, to Humanity. "This my Son was dead and is alive again, was lost and is found." Such a faith I have endeavored to keep, such a faith has kept me in my service to you at Ravinia.

**Lake Forest.**

Frank Swanton is convalescing. J. B. Inderrieden and family returned to town last week. Mrs. Ferry returned from the east this week.