

EIGHTY TODAY.

SYLVANUS BURTIS.

In the far-away past, when life with me was new,
The dim distant future arose to my view,
And the years seemed like mile-stones arranged on my way,
But I'm past seventy-nine and reached eighty today.

Looking forward the youth scarce the path can discern,
But the eye looking back sees each crook and each turn,
And now I see off' where my steps went astray,
But I would not retrace them, though I'm eighty today.

Though fortune her favors to me seldom sends,
I have wealth without stint in the love of my friends,
While my locks are so white they're much sprinkled with grey.

And my step quite elastic, though I'm eighty today.

The past of my life often seems like a dream,
As I've mourned over lost ones that have crossed the dark stream,
But the comforter whispers, "they are not far away."

I soon shall rejoin them, I'm eighty today.

The morning of life brought its sunshine and flowers,

The midday its labors and oft needed showers,

But if high noon is past, and I watch down the way,

I must know 'twill be sunset, I'm eighty today.

Yet I'll try while the day lasts to make others glad.

I'll help those in trouble, and cheer them when sad,

I'll weep with the mourners and laugh with the gay,

And I'll keep my heart young, though I'm eighty today.

Chicago, Jan. 23, 1900.

Glencoe Department

Mrs. L. D. Taylor is very ill.

Mr. Edward Jost is improving slowly.

Miss Helen Clementi of Chicago is the guest of Miss Agnes Day.

Mr. Will Muir of Lake View spent Sabbath with Mr. John Day Jr.

Mrs. Orde of Toronto, Canada, is the guest of her son, M. B. Orde.

Mrs. Laughray began her class in dancing Friday afternoon with 16 pupils.

Mrs. Holyoke of Chicago was the guest of Mrs. Charles Shaw the past week.

Miss Murdow spent the latter part of the week with friends at Edgewater.

On Saturday last a little son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Andrews.

Gen. C. H. Howard returned the first of the week from a business trip to North Carolina.

The Woman's Guild will meet in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock.

Mrs. George Orde and little son Delisle, arrived home Friday from Peterborough, Canada.

Mr. George Ligare and family and Mr. Ashbel Ligare and family left Saturday for Daytona, Florida.

The Cinch Club has been re-organized and held its first meeting on Thursday evening* at the home of Mrs. Howell's, South avenue.

There was a meeting held at the residence of Mr. F. Dunstan Todd, South avenue, Friday evening, for the purpose of forming a literary and entertainment society.

The young ladies' missionary society will hold its annual meeting this, Saturday, afternoon at the home of Miss Elizabeth Saunders, Sheridan Road.

GLENCOE COUNCIL.

A special meeting of the council was held January 31st.

An order was made for the payment to Cape & Sons, contractors for improvement of Green Bay Road, of balance due them for work completed, about \$3726, which had been withheld pending some formalities due to the need of having consent of the C. & M. E. Railway Co. and of a surety company. This payment leaves in the hands of the village about a thousand dollars, which Engineer Windes estimates is sufficient to complete the work. If it should prove insufficient, the balance required will be paid by the Electric Co.

An order was made to transfer from the general fund to the Sheri-

dan Road fund (Special 116,) \$414.39, this being the share of that assessment laid on the village by the commissioners for "general benefits" which former councils had neglected to pay as the installments came due.

An order was then made that the balance remaining in the Sheridan Road fund be rebated. The rebate schedule had been partly prepared and will be completed at once, so that the village will be ready to begin payment of this rebate by the time this notice is in print. The distribution is nine and one-quarter per cent on the assessment, the amount distributed being a little short of \$2400.

An order was made to repay to the rebate fund a balance of \$150 from the water fund. In August 1896, \$700 was temporarily borrowed from the rebate fund to buy enough meters to put the water supply on a meter basis. The transfer of this \$150 from the water fund completes the restoration of that loan.

Touching the request of Winnetka to have payments for water made quarterly and at different periods from those now fixed in the contract between the two villages for semi-annual payments, Mr. Park, from the water committee, reported that the change would entail considerable inconvenience on Glencoe, inasmuch as the water collections and accounts were adjusted to the periods fixed in the contract. On the committee's recommendation the request was declined.

An order was made to dispense with the office of village attorney from this date.

Mr. Park moved that the president appoint a committee of two to which that official should be added, to take the necessary legal advice with full power to make contract with Engineer Windes of Winnetka to prepare plans for a sewer system and for the establishment of grades for road, sidewalk improvements and water-pipe extensions. This motion was agreed to, and the chair appointed Messrs. Calhoun and King, to act with himself as such committee.

Adjourned to regular meeting Feb. 6th.