

## Chicago Promenade

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My door is locked, my debts are paid.  
I'll do the Chicago promenade.  
My back was turned I did not see  
that shadow climbing up on me.  
I took my turn at fixing hearts  
but that goes bad before it starts.  
I'm desperate now, I must say.  
I'll do the Chicago promenade.  
If I die now before I'm old  
my story will be less than told.  
There's so much more to suffer through  
before I meet again with you.

I've tried so hard and I've been so blind.  
I thought we could all grieve one at a time.

I lost a friend. It felt like five,  
a man who wouldn't compromise.  
I'll think of him on New Year's Day  
and do the Chicago promenade.