

OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Mrs. Bingham returned last night from Sparta, Wis.

Mrs. Keith from Oconto, Wis., is spending a few days at Tanglewood, with Mrs. Bingham.

If you want to know what the bliss of life is, get Supervisor Fletcher to put you on the jury at Waukegan.

Sewing done by a young lady who will make children's dresses and jackets reasonably. Miss S., box 308.

Pastor Thoren is negotiating with an eastern lecture bureau in the effort to secure Eli Perkins, the great humorist and lecturer.

The theatrical season in the Park was commenced last evening, when the "Black Trilby" was presented to a large and appreciative audience.

The ladies of the First United Evangelical Church cleared \$35.00 the night of their harvest home supper last week over and above all expenses.

The famous old suit of the Waukesha water folks against Mr. Goldberg was decided against our neighbor this week, though they did not get a very heavy verdict.

Mrs. C. W. Aldridge gave the editor a little book, the other day, she purchased in Dickens' "Old Curiosity Shop" in London, a sprig of cedar plucked from the grave of William Penn at Jordan's and an ivy leaf from the house of Melton in Chalfont St. Peters.

"Mary had a little lamb," and Caro Norton has one, too, only it is not particularly little. His fleece was full of burrs, hay seed and dust when he came to her home, and he has the habit of being "strong on the bit," when she leads him to the barn nights, and pulls his mistress over the lawn at a brisk rate.

There was a big convention of Mothers in Chicago, the other day, to discuss the question of "How to bring up Babies." They had Mrs. J. N. Crouse, Dr. Coulter and lots of other great and good men and women. Dear me, why did they not call in some cranky, cantankerous old maid and hear the whole story in thirty minutes?

The grand jury discovered a new law this week about fire escapes on high buildings. We think this new law will require escapes on Fletcher block, the public school, Moses, Goldberg's two blocks and Andrew Bocks. The jury had to report on this and will notify the state inspector who will be here in due time to examine our buildings and report what must be done. The penalty is severe for neglect.

CONFIRMATION AT St. MARY'S.

St. Mary's church was the scene of the solemn and impressive ceremonies attendant on the administration of the sacrament of confirmation on Thursday, Oct. 7. The altars were illuminated with a grand display of lighted candles and beautifully decorated with very choice plants and cut-flowers. The presence of about one hundred children, beautifully dressed, added very much to the brilliancy of the picture. The boys, very neatly dressed in black suits and wearing appropriate badges, took their places in a line on one side of the entrance to the church and the girls, beautifully dressed in pure white, wearing veils and badges, on the other. The archbishop and dignitaries walked in procession from the parochial residence through the lines of children up to the altar, where they knelt for a few moments in prayer, after which the archbishop proceeded to his throne, put on his vestments and with his mitre on his head and crozier in his left hand went to the altar. On arriving at the altar he delivered a very impressive instruction on the holy sacrament of confirmation, after which the children to be confirmed advanced to the altar rail in a precise and orderly manner, the boys first and then the girls.

Kneeling at the rails they were all confirmed. After having prayed over them for some time, he anointed the forehead of each with chrism in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. He gave another instruction after confirmation. The pastor and the children united in saying the Lord's prayer, Hail Mary and the Apostles Creed, and the ceremony was concluded by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The following dignitaries were present: His Grace the most Rev. Archbishop Feehan, the Rev. J. C. Madden, pastor of St. Mary's, Rev. B. P. Murray, ex-chancellor St. Bernard's church, Englewood, Chicago, Rev. Fr. Vattmann, Fort Sheridan, Rev. Fr. E. Reilly, Lake Forest, Rev. Fr. Nettsraetor, Gross Point, Rev. Fr. Smith, Evanston, Rev. Fr. Lonergan, Rogers Park, Rev. Fr. Shane, Annunciation church, Chicago.

The Waukegan daily and weekly register has been sold to De Kay brothers of Dakota. The younger Dunns will go to South Dakota and engage in newspaper work, while the father will live in Waukegan. The De Kays are young men full of push and energy and the daily will be an eight page paper hereafter.

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