#### OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Fred W. Schumacher who went to Michigan last week has been heard from; he is enjoying his vacation.

Rev. S. M. Johnson closes his official pastoral relations with the Presbyterian church next Sunday, though he may supply the pulpit after that time.

One of our neighbors reports measuring the depth of some of the drouth cracks in the garden a few days ago and thrust a yard-stick down 22 inches without difficulty.

City Attorney Smoot had been on his premises last Friday about fifteen minutes when he had a large pile of weeds and a bonfire to prevent their seeding down his garden.

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Miss Daily at Ravinook and Mr. and Mrs. Roberts at Mrs. Wilford H. Hall's on prospect avenue returned to Chicago this week and those places are now like "Tara's hall, deserted.

An alarm of fire was rung in one day while we were in Waukegan and in just one minute after the alarm the horses and outfit were galloping. down Genesee street at the top of their speed. Their hook and ladder trucks and general outfit are magnificent compared with ours and they have a place to keep them.

There was an amateur vaudeville entertainment at the Cassard's Saturday evening. Of course it was largely for the entertainment of the performers. Those who participated or enjoyed the sight were de ighted with the complete success of the affair. Being so near the close of the season, it left, as was evidently designed, a sort of weird jack-o'lantern light memory of the season in the minds of performers and beholders.

Some years ago we went to live in a quiet little New England village and remember a bright active little boy in the family of one of our good neighbors, After we left he fitted for college, graduated at Brown University, studied law and Monday we met him, one, of the promising young attorneys of Lake county, located in Waukegan, one of "our boys" in whom we take an honest pride.

Some of our neighbors, we see, are up to their old ways, of burning up leaves. It is all wrong for two reasons: first it is a sin to burn leaves any way, they should be composted and put back on the lawns; second, it is very dangerous to start while everything is as dry as it has been for some weeks, it puts in perileverybody in the neighborhood.

Miss Mary Murphy of Chicago was in the city Wednesday, the guest of Mrs. Hibbard.

Why is Spain like Highland Park? Because the ministry has resigned. There to save their necks, here to get their bacon.

James Duffy says it was all right for John to get married, but the next time there is a wedding in the family, he will insist on some more help in the office, it's no schoolboy play to run the Northwestern railroad.

Win Ellis has returned to the Park from Wisconsin, where he has spent the summer playing ball with Fond du Lac, West Bend and Sheboygan teams, being last connected with the latter team, and helping to win the pennant and championship of the state of Wisconsin.

They have sheep-shearing ma- Highland Park ines out west, which sheared over Highland Park chines out west, which sheared over 16,000 sheep in three weeks in Montana lately. They shear "lambs" by the score in the Chicago grain pits every day without any machinery whatever. The fools are not all dead yet and the knaves have not all gone to the Klondike.

Charles H. Baker left Tuesday night for a two weeks' trip to the ranch of John T. Raffen in Patrick, Wyoming. As it is 40 miles from the nearest railroad station, he will walk afoot, ride his bike or a mule. He will devote his energies to shooting antelope, riding bronchos and eating. venison and other frontier delicacies.

The first load of rails for the electric railroad came into town Tuesday morning. They are boss rails, stretching over two flat bottom cars. The depot has not yet been located, though some holes are dug in front of the postoffice. It will probably be finally located in front of Hibbard's great real estate office, as that will be the point where every body will want to stop, and while pater familias is buying a house and lot, the wife and children are getting ice cream and soda in at Fred Schumacher's.

Rev. Dr. Galusha Anderson preached for the Baptists Sunday to a good sized congregation, albeit they have had no morning services for three months. The Doctor said he felt as though he was getting home again, so pleasant were his former relations to this people. The services were very much enjoyed by all present, and he will be here in the future as often as he can. Next Sunday Dr. A. P. Small, the head of the department of Sociology, will preach. He was formerly president of Colby University and is one of the leading men in his line in the country.

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