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The Barrier Between You and Trouble

It is a wise man who can persuade himself that there are wolves abroad in the land other than the one which dire poverty usually impersonates. "No work" may be snarling at the heels of the laboring man. "Reduction in the office force" may be snarling even now at the salaried man. "Poor Crops" occasionally prowls around the farmers' fields, and yet a little surplus in the bank is a barrier across which the wolf of "hard luck" has never been known to come. Protect your home and yourself by opening an account with this bank.

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IT'S NOW UP TO THE VOTERS

Supervisors Vote to Submit the Road Question at the Next Spring's Election

After having turned it down twice the board of supervisors at their session last week decided to allow the voters the privilege of deciding about the good road question. The vote stood 21 to 8 in favor of it, Farmington's supervisor voting with the majority. Those against it were Supervisors Cuthbert, Fagan, Malcolm, Narris, Sevens, Thompson, Wolfe and Whittemore.

It will be submitted to the voters at the spring election and Supervisor Walls, Wieland and Broughton were selected to draft the resolution.

The board will also submit at the same time the question of raising \$6,000 for a hospital at the county farm.

Another good and commendable action was the voting by the board of \$500 to bring a government farm expert to Oakland county.

D. L. Davis presented a clock and bell to the county to be placed in the tower of the court house.

The Detroit House of Correction having decided to renew its contracts with a few favored counties of the state Oakland availed itself of the privilege through the action of the board.

A new feature will be an attempt to make traps and hoopes pay for lodgings and meals by exercising with a back saw, and a carload of wood will be on hand for the gents to buckle into and buck up if they want to eat and sleep at the county's expense.

Fifty dollars was appropriated to the Pioneer society, and a gift of a cabinet of Indian relics from Mrs. H. C. Guillot was accepted.

The register of deeds was requested to have the abstract books brought up to date. They are six years in arrears.

The annual settlements with the county officers were made and the sheriff's wife was appointed matron of the jail.

Sues Railroad for Damages

The Michigan Mutual Home Insurance company has brought suit for \$5,000 damages against the Pere Marquette railroad company alleging that one of the company's locomotives set fire to a barn owned by Ira Wilson in Livonia township in July, 1911. The insurance company was obliged to pay the loss of \$2,655.69 and now proposes to make the railroad shoulder the loss.

The Ladies' Literary Club

The Ladies' Literary club enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon after the holiday recess at the home of Mrs. Florence Moore and several very interesting papers were read. "Italians at Home and in America" was given by Mrs. Johnson. Miss Stewart in "Italian Writers" gave a brief outline of Dante's Divine Comedy and Introduction to "Beatrice" and touched upon the work of Petrarch, Tasso and Ariosto.

Miss McKenzie gave a condensed and interesting review of Marion Crawford's Saracenesca. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Agnes Chamberlin's January 22, when a musical program will be given.

Last Friday evening the Holy girls and boys came here and played two interesting games of basket ball. Farmington's teams were defeated, the girls by a score of 25 to 19, and the boys by 43 to 25.

MILK PRODUCERS GETTING ACTIVE

Are Organizing to Protect Their Own Interests

No little attention is being attracted among the farmers by the milk question which bids fair to, in time, rival the notoriously famous street car question in Detroit.

As the board of health of the city continues to make more stringent regulations regarding the production and handling of the commodity and the consumers, through the various organizations, are asking for and forcing a reduction in the retail price of milk it stands the farmers, the producers, in hand to wake up and take an interest in the fight to the end that the burden may not altogether fall on their shoulders.

Farmers, as a rule, are slow to take advantage of their opportunities, with the result that the other fellow is apt to get the best of the bargain.

It develops that whenever the big city dealers advance the price to the consumer the other dealers quickly follow suit although it is insisted that there is no combination among them. Likewise, when the big fellows lower the price paid to the producer the little fellows fall in line.

The consumers refuse to pay nine cents a quart for their milk, and we don't blame them for it. Neither is the farmer to blame when he wants half of the retail price. He ought to have, by far, the biggest half.

The farmers through this vicinity are being aroused to the danger of allowing the fight to be made between the consumer and the middle man. They are getting into the battle and it will be a three cornered fight from now on if the farmers can only stick together and insist on their rights.

Mrs. Dunk, president of the Housewives' League in Detroit, puts it squarely up to the board of health when she asks for real experts for inspectors who are competent and that the ordinance which allows the inspectors to dump a farmer's milk into the sewer without a question, aside from saying that it is impure, should be repealed.

The new rules of the board, of which the farmers have received copies, have stirred them to action and they are organizing all over the country.

Farmington, Redford, Clarenceville and Bell Branch in this immediate vicinity are fully organized. The Oakland Dairy association and the United Dairy association have merged into one and it is called the Mutual Dairy association. They held a meeting last Saturday. The producers hope to be able to soon have something to say regarding the price to be paid to them for milk and the kind of contracts that they will make.

Anyone a former member of either of the associations can be a member of the Mutual by the payment of five cents for each cow that he owns while others will pay a membership fee of two dollars. Under contract farmers are receiving \$1.85 per hundred for milk in January and February, which is five cents lower than the December price.

New contracts will be made March 1st.

The outcome of the fight being waged will be watched with much interest.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Schroder of Pontiac were in town Sunday.

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