

ANNUAL STATEMENT

For the year ending December 31, A. D. 1912, of the condition and affairs of the Michigan Mutual Home Insurance Company located at Farmington, Mich., organized under the laws of the State of Michigan and doing business in the counties of Oakland, Wayne and Macomb in said State.

John Power, president; James L. Hogle, secretary; P. O. address of president, Farmington Mich. P. O. address of secretary, Farmington, Mich.

Membership table with columns for number of members, previous year, and deduct number of members withdrawn.

Risks table with columns for amount of property at risk, previous year, and deduct risks cancelled.

Resources table with columns for cash in office, assessments of past year, and assessments of prior years.

Liabilities table with columns for losses due and payable, due or to become due from borrowed money, and cash from loans.

Receipts table with columns for cash collected on assessments levied during the year, cash collected on assessments levied in prior years, and cash from membership of policy fees.

Disbursements table with columns for losses actually paid during the year, occurred in prior year, salaries and fees paid to officers and directors, and cash paid on loans.

Schedule A and Schedule B tables for miscellaneous questions, including amounts paid to whom, printing, stamps, and sundry items.

Miscellaneous Questions table with columns for questions and answers regarding assessments, liabilities, and company policies.

Local News

Library day—Saturday.

John Turner is better and able to sit up a little.

The big Dohany auction is being held today, Friday.

James Brady has gone to Canada for an extended visit with his sisters.

M. B. Pierce and family ate Sunday dinner with Mrs. C. J. Sprague.

Free to come and free to stay; it's only for the Dutch lunch that we ask pay.

A new pair of electric light wires are being strung between Redford and Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Green are rejoicing over the arrival of a boy Thursday, Jan. 23.

Tickets for the Lincoln banquet at Pontiac Feb. 12 can be procured of M. B. Pierce.

In skirts of blue and kirtles white, the little Dutch Madchen will be a pretty sight.

In another column will be found an advertisement of a farm for sale or rent by W. E. McHugh of Farmington.

Dr. C. B. Allen, district superintendent was in Farmington last Sunday afternoon, a guest of Dr. and Mrs. Horner.

Miss Ernestine Pierce was a week-end visitor at Detroit, the guest of Miss Madeline Inves, 457 Vinewood Ave.

All the ladies of the Aid society are requested to meet at the home of Mrs. E. C. Grace on Friday afternoon of this week. Bring your work and loaves.

Cook's store was burglarized last Friday night, the thief gaining entrance by a rear window. It is not known just what goods were taken and so far there is no clue to the robber.

A short time ago the editor of the Enterprise refused to print an article which referred to a basketball game between the Farmington Independents and a neighboring village unless the same was signed by the author. The writer of the article absolutely refused to father his production and as it was written in a very unprofessional and ungentlemanly manner the editor did not care to assume the responsibility. This is only mentioned now because an effort is being made by someone to put this paper in a wrong position relative to the matter.

We want all the news that we can get of every kind, but as we have to stand for everything in the paper that does not bear another's signature we absolutely refuse to allow anyone to print a scurrilous article that they are too cowardly to acknowledge as their own.

Why not use the best—the Mari gold Oreo—at Armstrong's.

The Service Which the Minister Renders to the Community

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Bienvenu. "Prayer, celebration of the religious offices, consoling the afflicted, the cultivation of a little piece of ground, fraternity, frugality, self-sacrifice, confidence, study and work filled up each day of his life."

One greater than those writers speaking under divine inspiration, thus describes the characteristics of the true minister of the Gospel of the Son of God: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

"Watch thou all things. Endeavor afflictions. Do the work of an evangelist. Make full proof of thy ministry." There is the picture. Intelligent, reverent, courageous, charitable, self sacrificing, and counting his life dear to him only that he may win men to Christ.

My topic directs our thought to this man's work outside of the pulpit. We are not to consider the character of his sermons, or his ministrations on the Sabbath day, but that large field of service which lies beyond every church, beyond the pale of every pulpit.

I know of no calling other than the ministry in which a man has so many opportunities of serving the community; in which he is brought into such close and helpful relations with so many classes of society. First let it be remembered that to be of the highest service to humanity one must know men. The preacher needs to be a man as truly as a Christian. He should be no recluse. He is called to mingle as his Master did with the common people; he must go where men live, where they toil, where they congregate. He must learn what they think about, the sources of their doubt, of their discouragement, of their sins. What follows this interest in men?

A minister so endowed will attract to himself as a magnet, every good impulse, every noble aspiration, every high ambition in the community. Sometimes these elevating tendencies are hidden or lost sight of for want of a strong attractive force. The minister charged with divine power, may become that attractive force, rallying all the better element of the community. He will kindle into a blaze the smoldering fires of righteousness and purity. He will hearten men struggling toward better lives. He will bring into cooperation men who are secretly longing for a clean, moral community. I am sure there are men and women in every city whom the church takes little note of, who are but waiting for a spark of divine fire to kindle within their souls the flame of moral and religious life. A sympathetic touch from a man of God may kindle that flame.

In his service to the community the faithful minister will not stand aloof from an organized effort to make the city a cleaner and safer place in which to live. From every quarter comes the earnest cry for help. Evils lurk in their hideous forms on every side, and to strike them, and to stir other men to strike them, that is the work of the minister. You are already thinking of some of these, the gambling evil, the liquor evil, the slum evil, the sweat shop evil, the child labor evil, the evils of the industrial system, and the everlasting strife between labor and capital. These are a few of the unnumbered brood of devils sent to plague our day and generation. All of these appeal to the heart and fire the soul of the earnest pastor. I believe that he cannot be true to his calling and be indifferent to them. In the pulpit no voice should be clearer and more resonant than his in denunciation of these sins. But outside of the pulpit he will be a sympathetic and judicious counsellor and an active assistant of every true reformer. I do not

urge that the minister shall be a leader in these social reforms. Probably leadership should be committed to laymen. But the minister must advise, hearten, inspire the men who carry forward the banner of reform. He will do this on the platform, in the shop, in the store, and everywhere in his association with men. Every reform movement is but a John the Baptist to prepare the way for the kingdom of God. Blessed is the man who hears the call of the largest possible service, and who has himself, heart and soul, to every wise movement to elevate the community. Such service has a subjective as well as an objective value.

The service which a minister should render to the community will be a service of comfort. He must be a son of consolation. The world is full of sorrow.

"Never morrow to evening weep But sowe heart did break."

Men everywhere carry byproducts. Women weep in silence. The heart of humanity cries out for spiritual leadership that feels real sympathy with the burdens and sorrows of this hard work-a-day world. Men need, as much as anything else, sympathy, comfort, a warm loving clasp, the tender touch of a great soul.

We read a few months ago of the death of Florence Nightingale. What gave her such power over humanity, what made her name revered in all the earth? It was her sweet ministries of love. It was her sympathy for men in sorrow and pain. The greatest power for good which a gospel minister can wield is the power of sympathy in sorrow and distress. The very highest service a minister can render to any community is the service of love.

I do not undervalue intellectual sermons—a splendid ritual and enticing music in their haunting effect upon a community. But for more powerful as an agency for softening the hearts of men and leading them to the lowly Christ is the ministrations of a kind sympathetic pastor, who preaches Christ outside of the pulpit in acts of beneficence and words of comfort and who goes into the homes of sorrow, darkened by sin and saddened by bereavement and bears the tender messages of the gospel of comfort.

Let me recapitulate. The service which a minister renders to the community lies: First, in his knowledge of men; second, in his efforts to rally the forces of righteousness; third, in his participation in the great reforms of the day; fourth, in his sacred office as a son of consolation.

Let him remember these particulars and I believe the weakest man may attain the highest service of mankind and bring a blessing to every community where he labors.

Come one and all, we invite the whole bunch, to eat sausage and sausage at the Dutch lunch.

Just arrived—Fresh candies and new up-to-date post cards at Armstrong's.

Wanted—Reliable, energetic man to sell Lubricating oils, greases and paints in Oakland and adjacent counties. Salary or commission—Stinson Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

Full line of fresh groceries and provisions, canned goods a specialty at Armstrong's.

For Sale—House and lot in the village of Farmington known as the Mary F. Selby home. Enquire of Volney Blanchard, administrator. Phone No. 67-13.

V. R. Fox, 105 W. Washington St., Noblesville, Ind., says: "After suffering many months with kidney trouble, after trying other remedies and prescriptions, I purchased a box of Foley Kidney Pills which not only did me more good than other remedies I ever used, but have positively set my kidneys right. Other members of my family have used them with results." Take at the first sign of kidney trouble. Sold by T. H. McGee.

Detroit United Lines

Farmington Time Table

Cars leave Farmington Junction for Detroit at 8:20 a. m., 6:38 a. m., and hourly to 9:38 p. m.; 10:35 p. m. Those cars, except first morning car, leave Farmington six minutes earlier.

Cars leave Farmington Junction for Orchard Lake and Pontiac at 8:15 a. m., 8:45 a. m. and hourly to 10:45 p. m., 12:05 p. m.

First car leaves Farmington Junction for Northville at 8:45 a. m., Farmington at 8:50 a. m., and thereafter cars leave Farmington for Northville at 6:50 a. m. and hourly thereafter until 10:35 p. m.; also 12:05 a. m.

Cars connect at Northville with those for Plymouth and Wayne over the D. J. & C. Hourly limited service to Ann Arbor.

For Sale or Rent

Farm of 145 or 205 Acres. Equire of W. E. McHugh, Phone 58-J5, Farmington, Mich.

Probate Order

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court of the County of Oakland. At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, on the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1913.

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In the matter of the estate of Charles Fendt, deceased.

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Hin's for Housekeepers

Keep Foley's Hoxey and Tar Compound always on hand and you can quickly head off a cold by its prompt use. It contains no opiates, heals and soothes the inflamed air passages, stops the cough and may save a big doctor's bill. In the yellow package. Sold by T. H. McGee.

For Sale—House and lot on Grand River avenue.—J. E. Phelps

Told a Few Words

Chas. C. Ledow, Cumber Land, Wyo., says he had the worse cough a man ever had and cured it in a few days with Dr. Warren's White Wine of Tar.

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Foley's Orino Laxative

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Offers a splendid opportunity for investment. These lots, undoubtedly, will show an increase of 50 per cent in one year to you. They have sidewalk, sewer, shade trees and graded streets. Prices range from \$99, \$119, \$159, \$249 to \$399

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