

THE POUND LIMITS.

Their Extension in the Milk Ranch District.

The Health and Police Committee of the Board of Supervisors met yesterday, Supervisor Gates presiding. The object of the meeting was to consider the petition of the property owners of Eureka and Noe valleys for the extension of the pound limits so as to include their property. Opposed to this was a petition signed by a number of dairy-men who have milk ranches in the vicinity, asking the Supervisors not to extend the pound limits. The committee rooms of the Supervisors were crowded all the afternoon with persons interested in the case.

George D. Shadburne represented the property owners before the committee. He said that he represented property owners who owned 3000 lots. This property has been improved at their expense, and prospective improvements are being considered. During the last year over \$50,000 has been expended in improving Church and Castro streets. The property owners expect a cable road to be built by the end of next year. The great drawback to this property was the milk ranches, which were ten in number. Over 1000 cattle roamed at large through the lands, over the streets and grazed on the private domain of the citizens. Children had to be escorted to school on account of the viciousness of some of the animals. The bulls were allowed to roam. But above all, the speaker claimed, the milk ranches were nuisances, and the refuse from the ranches was in some places ten feet deep.

Supervisor Kunkler ask Mr. Shadburne if he desired the milk ranches removed. Mr. Shadburne replied that he did not ask for their removal now; that was a question of time. All he wanted was that the pound limits should be extended so that the dairymen would be compelled to herd their cattle, and if the refuse accumulated to such an extent as to become a nuisance, they could be compelled to remedy the evil by the Board of Health.

John T. Greany then argued against the petition for the ten dairymen. He said that the streets were not defined and the land was not fenced. He claimed that the cows were not vicious.

A number of witnesses were then examined on both sides of the issue, and the Supervisors proceeded to discuss the matter. It was finally decided to extend the pound limits to the following streets: Masonic avenue to Frederick, to Cole, to the north line of the San Miguel ranch, to Clover, to the Corbet road, to the Ocean House road, to Bellevue street, to Thirtieth street, to Mission, to Army, to Colusa, to De Haro, and thence to Napa street. Supervisor Gates was the only member of the committee who opposed the extension.