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FRANK E. HOWE, Editor and Pub.

Wednesday, February 3, 1915.

The Advance, published at Burlington under the editorship of John E. Harris and managed by Guy B. Horton is getting to be a splendid state weekly and ought to be in every home where an interest is taken in the welfare of the state. Those who do not take it now should send for a sample copy and look it over.

The loss from fires in Bennington village during the year 1914 is estimated at less than \$4000 which is a remarkable record for twelve months in a community the size of this. It shows both good luck and an effective fire department. For what it has to do with the Bennington fire department is as good as can be found anywhere and the people of the village should awake to the fact that this organization is giving a good account of itself and deserves a better equipment. An auto truck always ready for duty might save ten times its cost at one fire through promptness in reaching the scene. Other towns of this size have them and Bennington must prepare to meet the question in the near future.

The commission for relief in Belgium is making another appeal to the people of this country. It matters not which side one upholds in the great war, all Christian people are on the side of the suffering fathers and children of Belgium who are without food, without clothes and largely without homes. Every American father and mother, who has a comfortable home and happy family should think of the condition of these poor Belgians, driven by the fortunes of war to live from hand to mouth on the charity of Americans. Whether the pitiable plight of the Belgians is due to a cruel and monstrous act of unprovoked war on the part of Germany or whether it is the result of the perdition of England in leaving her little ally to take the brunt of the early onslaught while Britain was getting ready to fight, has no bearing on the work of relief. The women and children of a stricken country appeal to the fathers and mothers of America who can afford to help. Checks or cash may be sent to Miss Anne Morgan, No. 1 Madison avenue, New York and supplies should be shipped to Belgian Relief Commission, 71 Broadway, New York. Act now.

Tribute to the Germans

May it not be that those of us who have leaped to the impression that all the fault for the war belonged to Germany have been too quick on the trigger? The United States is peopled with Germans. They form nearly a fifth of our composite nation. The Germans here are patient, kindly, peace-loving, dependable. They're not quarrelsome or hard to get along with. Quite the contrary. The German back in the Fatherland are like them. We oughtn't to believe that they rushed into a great war without provocation or without making effort first to find a way of honorable escape.

Let's be fair to this great German race, no competent in industry, science and letters—fair: enough to remember that almost all of the first news of the war has come from friendly sources and therefore should be accepted with reserve till all the returns are in fair enough to withhold judgment till we have heard Germany's side.—Albany Times-Union.

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The cow will soon cease to ornament the rural landscape of New England. At least the New England Milk Producers' association says that cows are disappearing from New England at the rate of 20,000 a year that farmers are quitting the milk business because it no longer pays. And that "a commodity will not long be produced at a loss to the producer." The milk producing areas which formerly were near the centers of population are moving away from them at the rate of from five to fifteen miles a year.

In this connection, a down-country newspaper touches upon one of the difficulties in the path of the milkman to which not much publicity has been given, and that is the difficulty which milk distributors experience in collecting even a fair percentage of legitimate bills from their customers. There is an "every day" business, but by no means for spot cash, and in their opinion there is no bill so easy to "let run" and so easy to avoid paying as that which has mounted five, ten or twenty cents at a time, though weeks or months, until it amounts high in dollars. For the customer, an outstanding \$10 may appear small, but for the milkman the total is both considerable and formidable according to the view of the down-country newspaper. He has bills of his own to pay, and every dollar he adds to the cost of collecting lost debts must be added to the price of his product—as it always is in the long run, unless, like the 20,000 cows, he quits the business. Burlington News.

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SEEING THE SUN.

A Traveler's Experience Among the Natives of Manchuria.

In "Thirty Years in Mukden" Dr. Dugald Christie tells the following story of an experience that he and the Rev. John MacIntyre underwent on a trip they took from Mukden to the river Yalu, the border of Korea. On their way back they found themselves toward dusk one day in a sparsely inhabited district several miles from the only inn. They reached it by fording a swift river swollen with melting snows and found a poor hotel with only one common room and two old men as innkeepers.

"There was neither candle nor lamp, but the end of a tarred rope that hung from a beam was burning, and by this dim light I looked at my watch," says Mr. Christie.

"What is that toy?" asked one of the old men.

"It tells the time," I answered.

"What time? What do you mean by time?"

"It shows where the sun is."

"Turning to his brother, he asked in a puzzled way: 'But the sun's down long ago. How can he tell where it is?'"

"Alya" said the brother, with awe. "He can still see it in the glass. What can these foreigners not do?"

"Early the next morning we were astir, preparing to go on. As our horses were being saddled the old man questioned us again:

"How far away is your country?"

"Many thousand miles."

"And did you ride all the way on that horse?"

A Pleasant Way to Help.

"Mamma," heard the cherub, while a smile of seraphic sweetness illuminated his baby face, "do you know that sometimes I help Catherine's mamma?"

"That's nice," prompted the proud parent. "And what do you do to help her, dear?"

"Oh," replied the cherub, "when Catherine's naughty I punish her!"—Youth's Companion.

Information.

It was a very fashionable concert and the artists very well known ones, but the two young things were too busy with making out their peculiarities to hear the music.

In the midst of a beautiful selection the pianist suddenly lifted his hands from the keys and one of the young things was heard to say clearly:

"I wonder if that hat is his own?"

The old man who sat beside her was silently deaf, but he turned with a benevolent smile.

"No, miss," he impertinently said; "that is Schubert's."—Philadelphia Press.

Corrected.

Miss Kitty—Before you were married, Mrs. Hunt, did your husband bring you many flowers? Mrs. Hunt—I didn't have any husband before I was married, dear.

ARLINGTON

George Sydney Meyler Warlow, on the son of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Warlow of Arlington has obtained a commission in the British army as 2nd Lieut. in Cyclist Corps, 26th Ulster Division stationed at Bangor County Down, Ireland.

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TROY AUTO SHOW
Opens Next Monday and Will Run Full Week.

The fifth annual automobile show under the auspices of the Troy Automobile Dealer's Association will be held at Bolton Hall Troy, during the week commencing February 8. The show will be opened to the public Monday night at 7:30 o'clock. Thereafter including Saturday there will be daily sessions from 11 a. m. to 10:30 p. m. More space has been taken this year than ever before and the show promises to be better and bigger than any of its predecessors. The management has spared no expense to make this show a worthy successor to the recent big one in New York.

It will be complete in its exhibits of motor cars and automobile accessories and in that respect will be different from previous exhibits. The business man, farmer and pleasure seeker will find plenty to see and enjoy. A feature for farmers will be the Universal Motor Cultivator, something new and never before exhibited in this territory. The bonus car of the Metropolitan Auto Show will be one of the exhibits as well as two eight-cylinder machines, the latest and most powerful of the best designers in the automobile business.

The hall is being beautified by the Atlantic Decorating Co. of Boston which has decorated all the auto shows in Boston. Belle's Symphony orchestra has been engaged to give concerts every afternoon and evening. Visitors, whether on business or pleasure are assured of every courtesy and attention.

POWNAL

Earl E. Guilford of North Adams was in town Sunday.

Milton Kately is confined to the house with children pox.

Henry Seelye of Williamstown was a guest at Gen. Haley's Sunday.

George W. Brynne a former Pownal merchant was in town yesterday.

Miss Katherine Sears of Bennington was the guest of Miss Ada Kirby Sunday.

BRATTLEBORO FIGHT

Context: Over Postmastership Waxing Warm.

Brattleboro Feb. 2.—No developments have taken place relative to the Brattleboro postmastership, so far as can be learned, but the following from the Washington correspondence in the Boston Sunday Herald will be of interest:

"The senate postoffice committee still has the nomination of Maj. F. W. Childs to be postmaster at Brattleboro, Vt. The hard fight of the Democratic state committee against Maj. Childs is not diminishing in intensity, but unless Postmaster-General Burleson can be won over, it is likely that President Wilson will let the nomination stand, and that Maj. Childs will be confirmed. The situation, however, is described as 'very tummy' with much opposition developed by Maj. Childs. M. J. Morand, who wants the Brattleboro postmastership, has been looking the ground over."

President Wilson sent to the senate Saturday the nomination of Daniel H. Gray to be postmaster at Brattleboro. There has been sharp opposition to Mr. Gray in Bellows Falls, but he has shown himself to be master of the situation, winning by a decided majority in a recent test of strength.

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