In Shenandoah Valley

Famous battle to be refought



A Cape Breton bargain

I love to bring home trinkets when I travel, but sometimes I go too far. That, at least, is the opinion of those who have seen my latest trinket: a 20-by-8-foot cloth map of the world.

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WE DROVE to Baddeck to visit the Alexander Graham Bell Museum, run by the Canadian government. We had a question that the guide couldn't answer, so she sent us only the couldn't good to be couldn't answer, so she sent us of the couldn't answer, so she sent us of the couldn't are so she couldn't answer, so she sent us of the couldn't good to be couldn't and the flere of the couldn't are she will be couldn't and the flere market just down the street in a field opposite the Red and White Store, 'she said.

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the barn which stood in the middle of the field.

There on the barn wall, used as a colorful backdrop for one of the tables, was a huge cloth map of the world. At the top it read '60 Ve Into All the World and Preach the Gosnel'

All the World and Preach the Gospele when we was in trouble as soon as he heard me breathing heavily. "No travel writer should have to live without that map!" I said.

I went down across the field with my eyes fixed on that multicolored map. It was printed in 1905 by the Methodist Episcopal Church, a missionary map.

The world is divided into many colors to identify the various religions of the world. The largest color patches were grey. Grey is for heathers.

heathers. To million people in the United States when that may a marched right past the brass bedstateds, the tables of chipped china cips and the old book. "Is that map for sale?" I said, trying not to sound too interested. "Yes, main." "How much?" I said, holding my breath.

"Ten dollars."
So I paid my ten dollars, hauled it home and hung it on my den wall.

TEW MARKET, VA.: It was a spring day in 1864 when the Corps of Cadets of the Vir-ginia Military Institute marched down the Valley Pike towards the Battle of

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That is not a bad achievement, considering that New Market Battlefield Park is in the very heart of Confederate country here in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia.

Reactivated Civil War units from 15 states will send 470 Confederates and 349 Union forces on to the field of honor, which grows bright green between the old Bushnong farmhouse and the contemporary Hall of Valor.

THE SHENANDOAH Valley played an important role in the Civil War. Its agricultural riches made it the bread basket of the Confederacy. Here, Schnewall Jackson and his trops continually diverted and defeated Union forces intent on capturing the Confederate stronghold at Richmond.

Federal troops had been sent south to cut a railway line when confronted by Confederate forces under Major General John C. Breckinridge, His solders were joined by a most unsual army: the entire cadet corps of VMI, boys too young to fit very well into their butterning rey uniforms.

It was May 15, 1864, when the 257 cadest spined Breckinridge's more seasoned troops in the Battle of New Market, \$7 of the cadets were wounded, 10 of them fatally. The re-enactment, which occurs here every year on the Sunday before May 15, relives and honors that battle.



Soldiers prepare to fire their cannon in this replica Battlefield Park in Virginia.

Battienete Park in Virginia.

It begins with a volley of Union cannon fire from the top of Bushnong Hill. Confederate cannons answered from their downhill position near the barn. Advance pickets explored the hill, the infantry pushed them back. The Union forces charged downhill to the fence and were repulsed.

Finally, with the cadets joined in the battle, Confederate uniforms surged uphill(Present-day Villicadets, in authentic 18th century uniforms, Union on their captured Union cannon and wave the flag.)

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THE BATTLE OF New Market has been won again for the confederates.

Bell of Valor helps to put it in perspective.

The Bushnong Farm and the lush green hattle-field filt perfectly into the misty rural landscape here in the valley, but the Hall of Valor makes a contemporary skyline that is surprising in this land of old stone and clapboard house.

The hall contains miniature battle scenes and other modern exhibits that give 20th century visitors a detailed look into that 19th century world in which the battle occurred.

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A photo of 17-year-old Thomas Garland Jefferson, a private in Company B, greets you at the entrance. Jefferson died in Bushnong Farmhouse two

days after the Battle of New Market and is buried beneath a sculpture created on the VMI campus in Lexington by another New Market cadet, Esekial Moses.

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An Israeli artist created the dramatic 28-foot stained glass window that draws you into the museum with scenes of the battle and a Confederate flag glowing softly center-left.

In the New Market Room, the boys themselves

In the New Market Room, the boys themselves are featured, along with mementos, such as a letter that reads: "Dear Pa, I write you a few lines to let you know that I was wounded. I was in the battle here yesterday..."
An award-winning 12-minute film follows the cadets from the classroom into battle. You come out of the dark filming room into a passageway where curved glass windows overlook the battletield it-

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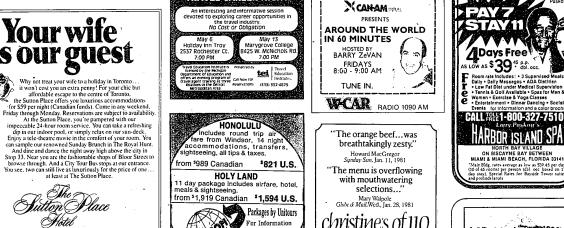
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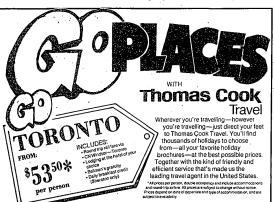
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