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Events of Interest from the Seat of Government by the
 News Special Correspondent, J. E. Jones

WAR OPERATIONS IN OLD VIRGINIA

The James and the Appomattox rivers meet down in the southeastern part of Virginia. During the Civil War every inch of the territory around City Point, where the two rivers join, was occupied by the armies of the North and South. Richmond, which won eternal renown as the Capitol of the Confederacy, is near by, and the armies of Lee, Gordon, and all the rest of the leaders of the "lost cause" sashayed backwards and forwards across the country. The correspondent of the News went over this whole area, and found the old "federal works" and the "confederate works" and the place where "604 soldiers of Maine" went to their deaths. There still remain the monuments to the Pennsylvania dead, the old-time "Fort Damnation," and the road to the fight of "the Crater." If, in the sixties you had started from Richmond for City Point you would most likely have stopped at Petersburg, twelve miles away—just as a matter of safety. Most certainly it is advisable to stop at Petersburg in 1915. It seems quite appropriate that in this turmoil of European wars that the ammunition business should have created in this historic locality, where the battles for American peace were fought, the toughest spot in the United States. On the very ground where armies of Grant were visited by Lincoln, the stacks of DuPont's greatest gun cotton factory belch forth volumes of black smoke, and you look through high wire fences at acres of sinister buildings, part of which are in the course of construction. The railroad that runs from Petersburg to City Point has no exclusive claim on the transportation business, since there are more than a hundred automobiles, from Ford's to cars that accommodate thirty or forty people, carrying passengers, and a little freight by days, and some of them are transports for strong booze and other liquid refreshments into the supposedly temperance town of Hopewell by night. For Hopewell is not only over-run with "blind pigs," gambling joints, dance halls, and cabarets, but it is thoroughly immoral—which is a good deal more polite way of saying it than the local description.

played and he fills out a blank long enough for a life insurance application, and one of the first questions is: "Where do you want your body sent?" It is an important part of the operations for the dead are shipped home in considerable numbers. Hopewell is decidedly a boom town, and one follows the new streets and stakes way out into the country among the corn fields. There is a small army of real estate salesmen on the grounds, and speculators and investors are coming from every part of the country. Thousands of lots have been sold in this town, and thousands of buildings thrown up. Four months ago there were less than half a dozen buildings gusted the DuPont plant. There is no postoffice or corporate existence. Land prices have gone soaring.

What is to become of Hopewell? That it is to be permanent appears certain, as the powder company has evidently "come to stay," but the close of the war may reduce the extent of activity. The DuPonts are paying no attention to the real estate boom, and have no part in it. As usual, they planned for what they wanted, and got it, before the rest started. It even appears that they have had most of the property for several years. As a city it resembles a mining camp, and a fire would likely wipe it all out. But the inhabitants take nothing seriously, and pay its insurance at a rate of fifteen per cent. As a permanent proposition it must be entirely reconstructed.

Morally Hopewell is the limit. One would hardly believe it, but in sturdy old Virginia the romantic State of song and story, the wild orgies of earlier western days are outdone. Crime, including several murders, has shocked the State. The Governor and Attorney General, aided by a local Hopewell committee of business men have started in to "clean house." They have a big job, and a lot of grafters and adventurers will have to be driven out before there is any noticeable change.

The Difference in Diplomats

It is interesting to compare the diplomacy of Germany, with whom we have been "making faces," and Great Britain. John Bull's diplomacy is so fine that camel's hair is a "scratcher" in comparison. In the matter of the present exchange of notes the English propounded so many arguments, reasons and precedents, that a contingent of the American public will likely soon be wondering why we should be so unthoughtful and unfair as to make the British diplomat so much trouble when they have so many other things to look after. If history repeats, as in the case of "free tolls" through the Panama Canal, Britain will likely win all base balls.

The triumph of Skim Milk

The Agricultural Department at Washington has an expert for everything, and among the recent interesting pronouncements are the findings of the "skim milk scientist," who has demonstrated to the entire satisfaction of all "Book Farmers" that dime for dime expended for purchase skim milk will furnish twice as much to nutrition as round steak. The nourishment furnished by two quarts of four cent skimmed milk is found to be equal to a quart of oysters at fifty cents a quart. The Department is compelled to admit that skim milk is nine-tenths water, and that it is not improved by "skimming."

Auto Mail Routes

Over two hundred automobile rural delivery routes were put into operation on August 1, and it is intended to increase this at least one-third within the next sixty days. The routes are from fifty to sixty-four miles long, and the carriers receive from \$1,500 to \$1,800 a year. The Post Office Department has recently operated experimental routes in Pennsylvania, and it was found that 60-mile routes could be successfully covered in a day. The new routes have been established in Oklahoma, California, Georgia, Colorado, Louisiana, Florida and Texas.

Politics of the Capital

In query from the hot weather situation has provoked the following: "Will there be two Democratic tickets, and two Republican tickets or one Democratic nominee and two from the Republican party or vice versa; or which one of the parties will split the hardest, and vice versa?" The usual response is: "Giv'tup."

FREAK ANIMAL PROVES PUZZLE TO ZOOLOGISTS

Dennison authorities on wild animals are scratching their heads in vain in an effort to determine to what family the queerest little animal ever captured in Tuscarawas-co belongs.

The little "unknown" was captured by J. B. Weldy of this city, electrician on this division of the Pennsylvania railroad.

For the past week Mr. Weldy has had to pass a hill near Bowerton in going to work. One morning his attention was attracted by a little black hairless animal, that darted round over the ground with lightning speed, and hid itself in a hole. After finding the frisky little thing every morning always playing around the same hole, Mr. Weldy set a trap. The next morning he discovered it had dug its way around the trap. Plugging up the hole he again set the trap, only to find the case repeated the next morning. Untiring in his curiosity, he set the trap the third time, and Wednesday evening when he looked, sure enough, there was the little fellow incarcerated, lying on the floor of the box, in a weakened condition, probably as the result of its many frightened attempts to free itself. Mr. Weldy brought it home and after many trials of food stuffs discovered that it would eat lettuce readily.

The little fellow is about ten inches long and stands about four inches from the ground. It has skin, which greatly resembles the hide of an elephant, being hairless and wrinkled. Its feet are jet black, shiny, and very clumsy. Its nose is long and almost pointed, resembling that of a squirrel, only much longer. Some who have seen it say the nose resembles that of a pig. It has a tail, very much like that of a pig, only not curled.

There is practically no flesh on it and almost every bone in its body projects conspicuously. The spine is long and curved in a bow shape, and does not straighten out when it moves. The flesh is very elastic and can be drawn out several inches from its body. In fact it is the queerest little creature ever caught here.

Mr. Weldy is giving it the very tenderest of care but says that it acts very weak, and does not think it will live. He has it wrapped in a heavy piece of flannel, as it quickly becomes cold when exposed. Weldy says he will not exhibit it until he can ascertain whether it will live or not. Those who have examined it are unanimous in their belief that it is "some" freak.—Dennison Paragraph.

THE YEAR WITHOUT SUMMER

Next year will be the centennial of the year without a Summer. There are persons in northern New York who have been keeping diaries for years, and it is from the pages of an old diary

begun in 1810 and kept up unbroken until 1840 that the following information regarding 1816 has been taken by the Danbury News:

January was so mild that most persons allowed their fires to go out and did not burn wood except for cooking. February was not cold. March, from the 1st to the 6th, was inclined to be windy. It came in like a small lion and went out like a very innocent sheep.

April came in warm, but as the days grew longer, the air became colder, and by the first of May there was a temperature like that of winter. In May the young buds were frozen dead, ice formed half an inch thick on ponds and rivers, corn was killed, and the cornfields were planted again again. When the last of May arrived in 1816 everything had been killed by the cold.

June was the coldest month of roses ever experienced in this latitude. Frost and ice were as common as buttercups usually are. Almost every green thing was killed; all fruit was destroyed. Snow fell 10 inches deep in Vermont. There was a 7-inch fall in the interior of New York State and the same in Massachusetts.

July came in with snow and ice. On the 4th of July ice as thick as window glass formed throughout New England, New York, and in some parts of the State of Pennsylvania. Indian corn, which in some parts of the East had struggled through May and June, gave up, froze and died.

To the surprise of everybody, August proved the worst month of all. Almost every green thing in this country and Europe was blasted with frost. Snow fell at Barnet, 30 miles from London, England, on August 30. Newspapers received from England stated that 1816 would be remembered by the existing generation as the year in which there was no Summer. Very little corn ripened in New England. There was great privation, and thousands of persons would have perished in this country had it not been for the abundance of game.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Elba Reynolds, Surrogate of the County of Allegany, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of David Sloum, late of Andover, N. Y., deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of the said deceased, at the Law Office of Crayton L. Earley in the village of Andover, N. Y., on or before the 3rd day of January, 1916.

Dated June 22nd, 1915.
 PATRICK HYLAND,
 Executor.

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Dated at Andover, N. Y., February 18, 1915.
 CHAS. A. BINES
 Charles M. Lash,
 Attorney for administrator,
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Dated at Andover, N. Y., April 24, 1915.
 KATHRYN PARDON,
 Administratrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Mr. James T. Ward, District Attorney and Acting Surrogate of the County of Allegany, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Rosella Perry, late of Andover, N. Y., deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned executors of the Last Will and Testament of the said deceased, at the Law Office of Crayton L. Earley in the Village of Andover, N. Y., on or before the 2nd day of October 1915.

Dated March 20th, 1915.
 ED. McLOUGHLIN,
 W. F. O'CONNELL,
 Executors.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In pursuant to an order of the Surrogate's Court of Allegany County, New York State, made by Hon. Elba Reynolds, Surrogate of said County of Allegany, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of John H. Kemp, late of the town of Alfred, Allegany County, New York, deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned executor of the estate of said deceased, at the law office of Charles M. Lash at Andover, N. Y., on or before the 10th day of December 1915.

Dated at Andover, N. Y., May 29, 1915.
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