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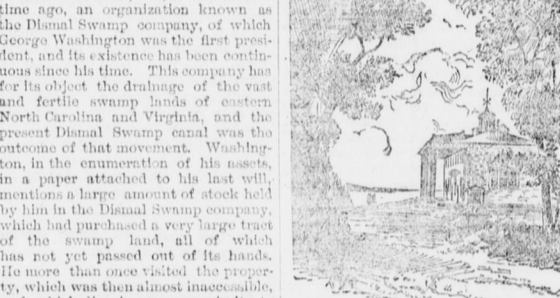
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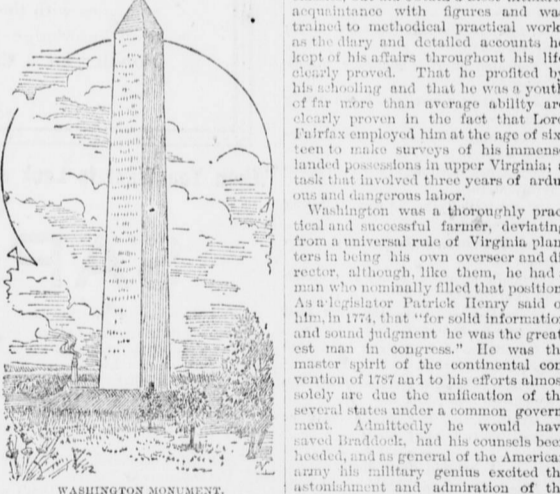
GEORGE WASHINGTON.
BY WILLIAM ROSSER CORDEE.

The father of his country took the greatest possible interest throughout his life in all matters relating to internal improvements, and busied himself in furthering measures designed for the public good. There is now in existence in Norfolk, Va., or was a short time ago, an organization known as the Dismal Swamp Company, of which George Washington was the first president, and its existence has been continuous since his time. This company has for its object the drainage of the vast and fertile swamp lands of eastern North Carolina and Virginia, and the present Dismal Swamp Canal was the outcome of that movement. Washington, in a paper attached to his last will, mentions a large amount of stock held by him in the Dismal Swamp Company, which had purchased a very large tract of the swamp land, all of which has not yet passed out of its hands. He more than once visited the property, which was then almost inaccessible, and which lies in rural proximity to picturesque Lake Drummond, made immortal by Thomas Moore.



The little state of New Jersey, as every schoolboy knows, was the scene of many stirring events during the revolution, and almost every city, town and hamlet has, or claims to have, a landmark of which its inhabitants are very proud and delight to point out to visitors. While there is no doubt of the authenticity of the claims made for many of these places, they have certainly lost nothing by the traditions with which they are surrounded. As in many other parts of the country, however, some of these monuments which should have the greatest claims on the American people from a historical point of view have been neglected, apparently forgotten and allowed to go to decay and ruin. In the march of history and progress they have been lost sight of.

One of these is the old Berrian house at Rocky Hill. It was in this house that Washington resided for many months, and among other acts wrote his farewell address to the continental army. The house is an old-fashioned structure, with large square rooms and low ceilings to retain the heat from the



Washington was never a bright scholar at school and never was a learned man. He did not attempt to acquire a knowledge of the ancient classics, but did obtain a most intimate acquaintance with figures and was trained to methodical practical work, as the diary and detailed accounts he kept of his affairs throughout his life clearly proved. That he profited by his schooling and that he was a youth of far more than average ability are clearly proven in the fact that Lord Fairfax employed him at the age of sixteen to make surveys of his immense landed possessions in upper Virginia; a task that involved three years of arduous and dangerous labor.

Washington was a thoroughly practical and successful farmer, deviating from a universal rule of Virginia planters in being his own overseer and director, although, like them, he had a man who nominally filled that position. As a legislator Patrick Henry said of him, in 1774, that "for solid information and sound judgment he was the greatest man in congress." He was the master spirit of the continental convention of 1787 and to his efforts almost solely are due the unification of the several states under a common government. Admittedly he would have saved bloodshed, had his counsels been heeded, and as general of the American army his military genius excited the astonishment and admiration of the world. His career as a civil ruler of the new nation won for him the applause of all rulers and the approval of an entire country. Washington's character was a nearly perfect one; yet great in everything, withal.

Like Lincoln, Washington was tall, and unlike him was very handsome. He was also possessed of great strength, that continued through life; and in his youth he excelled in all manly exercises. Throughout life he was an expert horseman and always attracted attention and excited admiration when riding a spirited animal.

No man could be more reasonable than Washington, or readier to give in when public interest was best served thereby; yet none could be more insistent than he, none more firm, when duty led in the direction.

A peculiarity of Washington which does violence to a commonly accepted idea of character and general individuality may be determined by one's chronography. As a fact Washington's personal tastes were very simple. When he became president there was some show of official display, but herein he followed a universal custom and one that in no sense reflected his own wishes and feelings. He believed that reserve and display are necessary to the preparation of proper regard for the high office of chief magistrate. The courtesy and deference he exacted as president he invariably accorded his successor when he became a private citizen.

Washington was an example in temperance. Charitable as was his nature he could with difficulty find excuse for extravagance in conduct or appetite.

FLY AN IMPORTANT FACTOR

Jefferson was fond of telling a story which illustrates in a forcible manner the importance that absurdly insignificant matters may sometimes assume. When the deliberative body that gave the world the Declaration of Independence was in session its proceedings were conducted in a hall close to which was situated a livery stable. The weather was warm, and from the stable came swarms of flies that lighted on the legs of the honorable members, and biting through the silk stockings then in fashion gave infinite annoyance. It was no uncommon sight, said Jefferson, to see a member making a speech with a large handkerchief in hand and pausing at every moment to thrash the flies from his thinly protected calves. The opinion of the body was not unanimous in favor of the document, and, under other circumstances, discussion might have been protracted for days, if not weeks, but the flies were intolerable. Efforts were made to find another hall, free from the pests, but in vain. As the weather became warmer the flies grew worse, and the flapping of handkerchiefs was heard all over the hall as an accompaniment to the voices of the speakers. In despair at last some one suggested that matters be hurried so that the body might adjourn and get away from the flies. There were a few mild protests, but no one heeded them, the immortal declaration was hurriedly copied, and with the handkerchiefs in hand hastened up to the table to sign the authentic copy and leave the flies in the lurch. Had it not been for the livery stable and its inmates there is no telling when the document would have been completed, but it certainly would not have been signed on the Fourth.

WASHINGTON LIVED HERE.

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