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RAZING AN OLD LANDMARK

The massive chimney of what was once the Pioneer Mills at the foot of Duke street has stood during the past seventy-five years casting its shadow over the Potomac even as the Sphinx of Egypt has stood silent for centuries. It was erected at the beginning of the last half of the previous century when the Pioneer Mills, one of Alexandria's industries, followed the retrocession of the city from the District of Columbia to the mother state.

The mills were operated from about 1853 to 1860, producing a brand of flour, which was in demand, especially in South America. In the succeeding year, when the city was captured by the federal army, the Pioneer Mills were used as storing places for government supplies. At the close of the conflict "hard tack" the bread furnished soldiers and sailors, tons of which were left on hand, were ground at the mills. For many subsequent years the Pioneer Mills remained idle, or practically so, being at times used by our commission merchants, until the night of September 29, 1896, when the structure was practically demolished by a tornado which struck Alexandria. In the early summer of the following year the mills were given their coup de grace by a fire which swept a large area of the river front.

From the mills were erected the huge chimney practically as intact as when first erected, has stood as the pyramid of Gizeh amidst the ruins of one of our most promising enterprises of other days. It is now being demolished by the present owners of the property, and this prominent landmark, which has witnessed the fluctuations of our city nearly three-fourths of a century is gradually vanishing from view.

"THE GUNSTON HALL" AT SEA.

The huge steel steamship "Gunston Hall," launched at the plant of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation at this place last February, is now on the broad Atlantic, having left Baltimore yesterday loaded with coal for Rotterdam. The steamer is flying the American flag and under her name on the stern are the words "of Alexandria."

The "Gunston Hall" is the first ocean-going vessel hailing from this port which has appeared on the Atlantic since the early eighties, at which time several large coal carrying schooners were constructed here.

The "Gunston Hall" will soon be followed by the "Betsy Bell," now at Newport News, which will also soon be on her way to Liverpool. Two other steamers, built upon the same models, are now lying at the plant of the shipbuilding plant. They will, in the near future, be plowing the Atlantic. Four others are being built, one of which will be consigned to its element next month.

At the breaking out of the civil war but one of what was at one time a large fleet of Alexandria-built ocean vessels was engaged in trading from this port. This was the brig "Lent," owned by the late Benjamin H. Lambert, and commanded by the late Captain Travers. Twenty years elapsed before others hailing from Alexandria appeared on the high seas, and it is pleasant to know that large steel steamers hailing from Alexandria are at present engaged in ocean trade.

THE MOSQUITO IN POLITICS

While much larger mosquitoes are said to infest New Jersey, those which hang about Alexandria during the summer months and far into the fall, while smaller, are equally as venomous, and on still warm nights they keep their human victims busy. Coal oil, citronella, tobacco smoke and other so-called preventives afford but temporary relief, and while health officials tell us these pests are bred from stagnant pools, they also say they are brought to birth in clear water also. With the Potomac river at our doors, and swamps

contiguous to the city, we must grin and bear them.

The extermination of the New Jersey mosquito is the promise given the Republican voters of that State by Newton A. K. Bigbee, one of the four candidates for the nomination for Governor. If he heads the party ticket and is elected at the next election.

The promise was made Saturday to crowds of enrolled voters who gathered to hear him speak at Allentown, Freehold, Matawan, Keyport, Sea Bright, Atlantic Highlands, Manasquan, Belmar, Asbury Park, Bradley Beach, Long Branch, and Red Bank. He said \$1,000,000 would be appropriated for the purpose of reclaiming waste lands where the mosquitoes thrive.

It is generally believed that certain mosquito-breeding grounds near Alexandria will be eliminated in the near future. It is said to be the purpose of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation to reclaim a considerable portion of north Hunting Creek, and that what has long been known as "Johnston's Marsh," adjoining New Alexandria on the southern shore, will eventually be reclaimed.

CONDITIONS IN KNOXVILLE

The rioting in Knoxville, Tenn., Saturday and yesterday is to be regretted, following as it did similar unfortunate occurrences in Chicago, London. While such turmoil is distracting the great western city with similar scenes in the nation's capital, the Gazette with other southern papers expressed its satisfaction that our section of the country had been spared such scenes. We were, however, immune for a short time, as dispatches show that riots equally as bloody as those which disgraced Washington and Chicago are in evidence in an adjoining state.

OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

The weather today has been ideal for a holiday. The skies have been clear and the temperature pleasant, in contrast to the warm conditions which prevailed at the close of yesterday.

Commercially speaking, today has been a day of non-public buildings, banks, etc., having been closed, while but few stores have remained open, and these only during the early morning hours.

A large percentage of our population left the city early for nearby resorts, and railroads and steamboats have been taxed to their limits in affording transportation. Hundreds of automobiles have been utilized to carry family parties to rural spots, where the day has been spent amid nature's surroundings. Approximately 75,000 persons left Washington today, for nearby summer resorts where they will spend Labor Day. With a few exceptions, every business house in Washington was closed. Roads leading out of the city have been, since yesterday afternoon, thronged with automobiles carrying pleasure seekers to resort and homes in nearby places.

OLD-TIME RELIGION

During these days of reconstruction many ministers of the gospel, animated by the best motives, would do with the powers that be in ushering in an era of peace which may prove to be the dawning of the long anticipated Millennium. We all hope for this great desideratum. In this connection the Manufacturers' Record of Baltimore makes the following practical suggestions:

"Above all else this country needs a nation wide revival of old-fashioned prayer meeting religion.

"A religion that makes men realize that if there is a Heaven, there

must also of necessity be a Hell—

"A religion that makes a man realize that every act is recorded on his own conscience, and that though that may slumber, it can never die—

"A religion that makes an employer understand that he is unfair to his employees and pays them less than fair wages, measured by his ability and their efficiency and zeal, he is a robber—

"A religion that makes an employer know that if he does not give full and efficient service, he too is a robber—

"A religion that makes a farmer, who packs bad fruit at the bottom and deceives the buyer by the good fruit on the top, realize that he is a thief just as much as the one who robs a hen roost at night—

"A religion that makes a man who robs a railroad of its fare, or its freight bill, know that he robs himself of all right to feel that he is an honest man—

"A religion that makes a man realize that by driving too hard a bargain with his servant, his employee, or his merchant, he can be just as much a profiteer as the seller or producer who swindles by false weight, false packing or false charges—

"A religion that will teach church members who fail to contribute to the extent of their ability to the support of religion, and that compels them to recognize that if they are paying their pastor less than a living salary, they are robbing God and man alike—

"A religion that will make the laboring man, who by threats or by actual violence against the non-union man, strives to keep him out of employment, realize that he is at heart a murderer and is murdering the individuality, and the liberty of his fellow man, and is displaying a hatred which, if it has the opportunity, will commit physical murder—

"A religion that will make the politician who yields principle for the sake of party, who worships at the feet of any class and sells his soul for political preferment know that he is not only a coward and a petron, and unworthy of the respect of any decent man, but which will also make him see that he is helping to marter human liberty, as great a crime as murdering the individual man."

DISORDER AT BALL GAME

More Than Score Hurt When Atlanta Mob Becomes Riotous—Atlanta, Sept. 1.—More than a score of spectators were injured, some severely, in a demonstration following Saturday's double header baseball game between Atlanta and New Orleans, the leading clubs in the Southern Association.

A crowd estimated at more than 12,000 had jammed the stands and surrounded the field to see the two games, the last of the season here. When the final out of the second game was made the crowd rushed for the exits, throwing "pop" bottles, cushions and even chairs. Some of the spectators were hit by the articles thrown and others were injured in the jam.

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DRAG GIRL FROM FALLS

Two Men Waded Out From Goat Island To Rescue Her

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Sept. 1.—A young woman, who said she was from New York, and refused to tell her name, was taken from the Niagara River at the brink of the Horse-shoe Falls off Goat Island last night by William H. Kretzer, of Sharpsburg, Pa., and Alvin Meyers, of Rochester. The two men were on Goat Island when they saw the woman in the shallow rapids near the island. They waded out thirty feet and brought her to shore, although they say, she resisted their rescue efforts.

In the woman's handbag, which was found on the bank of the river, was found a card on which was written

"Enia Pedestowa, No. 78 Hicks street Brooklyn Heights, N. Y." The woman, suffering from nervous shock, was taken to a hospital.

CONFERENCE CALLED

The President late yesterday afternoon announced that he would call a conference of labor and employers to discuss fundamental means of bettering the whole relationship of capital and labor and putting the whole question of wages upon another footing.

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This has been made necessary from the fact that a large number of our depositors owning Liberty Bonds and other securities desire a safe place for their keeping.

It is our plan to enlarge the number of Safe Deposit Boxes, and make a rental charge to meet the operating expenses of this Department. This charge will become effective July 1st, 1919, and a bill will be sent out at that time to the holders of boxes, and if any desire to make any change we will be glad to have them call before the bills are rendered for the ensuing year.

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