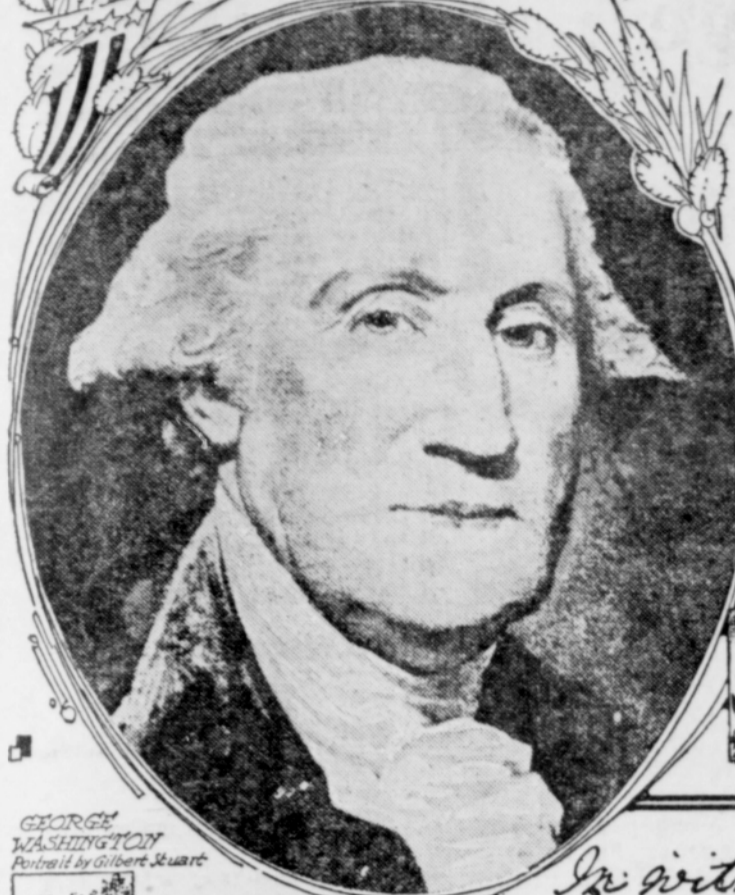


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WASHINGTON AS A SURVEYOR

GEORGE WASHINGTON
Portrait by Gilbert Stuart



GREENWAY COURT

By DEWITT J. MASON

GEORGE WASHINGTON, in his boyhood days, was a surveyor. He had much experience in that line and he was highly successful. A neglected scene of his youthful labors now is demanding public attention—the little stone office in which he worked for Lord Fairfax is to become a show place of Clark county, Virginia.

A hundred and seventy-eight years ago George Washington might have been found there any day, figuring busily and poring over outstretched charts and maps. In the neighborhood he made his first acquaintance, as a surveyor, with a country he was later to know as a soldier. Here he became accustomed to hardships and privations such as were to be his lot in the Revolutionary war. The little office is only some sixty miles or so from Washington, D. C. When the young surveyor worked there it was on a wild frontier.

Henry, Lord Fairfax, was once visiting his relative, William Fairfax, when George Washington was present. Lawrence Washington had married William Fairfax's daughter. The great man took a fancy to the boy, just past his seventeenth birthday. Finding in him abilities and attainments beyond his years, he engaged him to survey his vast tracts of land in the rich valley of the Alleghenies.

Washington set out in March, 1748, together with George William Fairfax; and, through Ashley's Gap in the Blue Ridge mountains, the western frontier of inhabited Virginia, they passed into the valley. In the wilderness in the Shenandoah valley, about twelve miles from the present town of Winchester, they stopped at a lodge where Lord Fairfax's land bailiff, or steward, dwelt with as many negroes as were necessary to farm the newly cleared land.

This first arduous expedition lasted five weeks, with results of such satisfaction to Lord Fairfax that he himself moved across the Blue Ridge soon afterward, taking up his quarters at the lodge. He laid out a manor for the place, which he called Greenway court, after his ancestral home in England; but the house was never built. The master himself slept in a wooden structure about 12 feet square. On the lawn nearby he built a one-story office, where his deeds were drawn and his quit rents collected. There the boy Washington did his work, remaining for three years in the service of Lord Fairfax. Many of the now famous plats of his surveys and subdivisions were made under this roof.

Washington's life as a surveyor, gave him a splendid physique. When he had his growth he was "straight

In witness of all, and of each of the things herein contained, I have set my hand and seal, this ninth day of July, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety and of the Independence of the United States the twenty fourth.

George Washington

WASHINGTON'S SIGNATURE ON HIS LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

as an Indian, measuring six feet two inches in his stockings and weighing 175 pounds." This stood him well during the Revolution. Long hours in the saddle could not tire him. He slept once under a tree with his roots for a pillow. The privations of Valley Forge could not daunt him. He rode a horse to death to get to the front at Monmouth, and stop the retreat and had breath left to curse Lee for his cowardice.

Washington's life as a surveyor made him 100 per cent efficient in the ways of the wilderness, where efficiency means life or death. He learned to a hair's breadth what a man could do with rifle, horse and boat; how to run like a coward and come back like a brave man; how to use Morgan's riflemen who came in response to his hurry-up call; how to get the lay of the land and pick his battlefield.

The old office has been left to the ravages of time and the elements in recent years. It is almost hidden from view by a long-stretching arm of a giant locust tree. One window is concealed behind a screen of bushes, and over its roof a clinging creeper climbs, drooping like a stray lock over the front. Its corners are chipped, its windows broken and its shingled roof is leaky in spots. But repairs and restoration are now at hand.

A committee has been formed, of which Graham F. Blandy of New York is chairman, to collect funds for reshingling the roof, relaying the floor, enclosing the inside and repainting the outside walls. By spring, it is thought, all will be in readiness for visitors.

That Washington, as was the custom among the landed proprietors of Virginia and other southern states, was a slave holder is well known. His views on slavery are not so generally understood and while it may not be a surprise to many that on his death he freed his own slaves, the provisions of his will in this respect are of much interest.

After providing that his wife, Martha Washington, shall have the "use and profit and benefit of his whole estate, real and personal," during her life, there follows this clause:

"ITEM—Upon the decease of wife it is my will and desire that all the slaves which I hold in my own right shall receive their freedom. To emancipate them during her life would, though earnestly wished for by me, be attended with such insuperable difficulties on account of their intermixture with the dower negroes as to excite the most painful sensations,

if not disagreeable consequences, from the latter while both descriptions are in the occupancy of the same proprietor, it not being in my power under the tenure by which the dower negroes are held to manumit them. And whereas, among those who will receive freedom according to this demise, there may be some who from old age or bodily infirmities and others who on account of their infancy that will be unable to support themselves, it is my will and desire that all who come under the first and second description shall be comfortably clothed and fed by my heirs while they live, and that such of the later description as have no parents living, or if living are unable or unwilling to provide for them, shall be bound by the court until they shall arrive at the age of twenty-five years, and in cases where no record can be produced whereby their ages can be ascertained, the judgment of the court upon its own view of the subject shall be adequate and final.

"The negroes thus bound are (by their masters or mistresses) to be taught to read and write and to be brought up to some useful occupation, agreeably to the laws of the commonwealth of Virginia providing for the support of orphans and other poor children—and I do hereby expressly forbid the sale or transportation out of the said commonwealth of any slave I may die possessed of, under any pretence whatsoever, and I do moreover most positively and do solemnly enjoin it upon my executors hereafter named, or the survivors of them, to see that this clause respecting slaves and every part thereof be religiously fulfilled at the epoch at which it is directed to take place without evasion, neglect, or delay after the crops which may then be on the ground are harvested, particularly as it respects the aged and infirm, seeing that a regular and permanent fund be established for their support so long as there are subjects requiring it, not trusting to the uncertain provisions to be made by individuals."

There follows a clause providing for his personal "mulatto man" giving him his independence at once, if he so desires.

The actual reading of the above clause throws an intimate light on Washington's extreme thoughtfulness, showing, as it does, the consummate care exercised that his wishes might in no manner be misconstrued. The provisions regarding the aged and infirm, the children, can only serve more firmly to endear this great man who, leaving no children of his own, is so proudly called the father of an entire nation.

mighty chime of 53 bells, given to the Park Avenue Baptist church by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in memory of his mother. Recently its first notes were heard when without previous announcement, 47 of its bells were rung. The other six had not been connected. Its music was not long unidentified and for blocks about the church pedestrians, motorists and persons in their homes heard and enjoyed the pioneer concert on an instrument uncommon in this country, yet said to be unsurpassed in completeness by

any of its kind in the world.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Important Food in East
Rice in the husk is termed paddy. It is largely grown in subtropical regions and as an article of food it occupies in those countries the place similar to that occupied by wheat in the countries of the temperate zone. It was brought to North America near the end of the Seventeenth century and first grown in South Carolina, then a British colony.

Holiness
Holiness is religion shining. It is faith gone to work. It is charity coined into actions, and devotion breathing benedictions on human suffering.—Bishop Huntington.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for February 21

JESUS RAISES LAZARUS FROM THE DEAD

LESSON TEXT—John 11:1-57.
GOLDEN TEXT—"I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth on Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."—John 11:25.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Lazarus Raised from the Dead.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Lazarus Raised from the Dead.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Christ's Power Over Death.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Christ the Resurrection and the Life.

I. Lazarus Sick (vv. 1, 2).
Even those who are in close fellowship with the Lord are not immune from sickness. Sorrow comes even to the homes where Jesus is loved.

II. Martha and Mary Send for Jesus (v. 3).
Those who receive Jesus into their home when all are well and happy can be sure of His love and sympathy when sickness and death overtake them.

III. Jesus' Strange Delay (vv. 4-6).
Martha and Mary sent for Jesus because He loved Lazarus. They said, "He whom Thou lovest is sick." Now, Jesus "abode in the same place" because He loved Lazarus and his sisters (v. 5). This mystery is to be explained by the fact that Jesus was divine and knew all things.

IV. Jesus Goes to the Bethany Home (vv. 7-17).
At length He turned His face toward the sorrowing home. Jesus knew and the disciples apparently knew that going into Judea meant His own death. His mission to this home was twofold: to restore to these sisters their brother and to strengthen the faith of the disciples (vv. 11-15). The word "sleep" reveals Jesus' estimate of death.

V. Jesus Teaching Martha (vv. 18-27).
As He is nearing the village Martha meets Him with a complaint because of His delay. He ignores her complaint and teaches her concerning the resurrection and life.

VI. Jesus Weeping With Mary (vv. 28-35).
Mary fell at Jesus' feet, uttering the same words used by Martha, but no doubt with a different tone of voice and attitude. Her words were responded to with His tears—"Jesus wept." He is now a sympathizing Saviour; He can be touched with the feelings of our infirmities (Heb. 4:15).

VII. Jesus Raising Lazarus (vv. 38-44).
His great sympathy now expresses itself in supernatural power. Sympathy would be valueless without this connection with divine power. In this stupendous miracle we see an illustration of the quickening into life of those dead in trespasses and sin.

Observe: 1. He Was Dead (v. 39). This is a type of the sinner dead in trespasses and sins, even morally corrupt (Eph. 2:1).

2. The Stone Must Be Rolled Away (v. 39). This is the part that the human must play.

3. Martha's Protest of Unbelief (v. 39). She insisted that Lazarus had already undergone putrefaction.

4. Christ's Intimacy and Fellowship With the Father (v. 42). In His prayer He declared that it was not for His sake that He prayed, but for those who stood by.

5. Christ's Manner of Dealing With Lazarus (v. 43). It was by a call. He is calling men and women today by His Spirit, Word and providence.

6. The Response of Lazarus (v. 44). This shows that the call of Jesus is with authority and power. With the call goes the power to heal and obey.

7. The Command to the People (v. 44). They were to remove the grave clothes and set him free.

VIII. The Effect of This Miracle (vv. 45-57).
1. Some Believed (v. 45).
2. His Enemies Sought to Put Him to Death (vv. 45-53).
3. His Withdrawal (v. 54).

The Soul of Religion
Always remember that sincerity is the very soul of religion. A single intention to please God and to approve ourselves to Him must animate and govern all that we do.—Phillip Doddridge.



A GRIEVANCE

An extremely indignant convict stormed into the deputy warden's office and demanded to be transferred to another cell.
"What's the matter with the cell you have, Omaha?" inquired the deputy.
"It ain't de cell," replied the prisoner; "it's dat eggplant I lock with."
"What has he done to you?"
"Pulled de leaf off'n de calendar an' it wuz my turn!"—Home Friend Magazine.

BUT AS A MEANS ONLY



"I'm surprised to hear she's an advocate of matrimony."
"Oh, yes; but only as a means to alimony, you know."

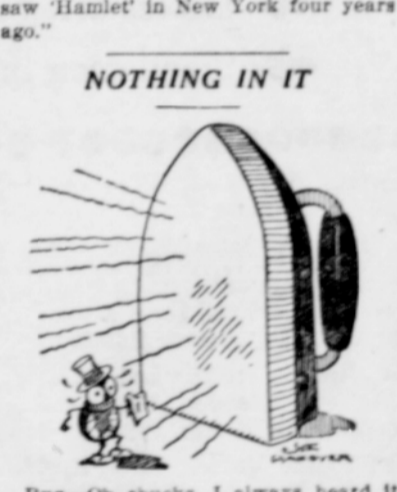
Needed It Then

Coalman—When I got round with that load of coal for Mr. Jones, 's house was on fire!
Coal Merchant—That's unfortunate! I suppose he told you to bring it back?
Coalman—No, 'e said if it was anything like the last lot I'd better chuck it out!—Answers.

Old Play

An Englishman took an American to see "Hamlet."
"You are sure behind the times," commented the American. "Why, I saw 'Hamlet' in New York four years ago."

NOTHING IN IT



Big—Oh shucks, I always heard it was nice, and cool around these flat-trom buildings!

Using One Hand

Oh, had's the fate Of handsome Marie; He had his arm Around his girl.

Toofus

At Montreal Toofus bear grand opera "Romeo and Juliet."
"Fine music," Toofus say. "I admire those music very much."
"What of Juliet?" ask Germaine. "I bear you say nothing of that lovely young girl."
"Well, that lovely young girl weigh 250 pounds."

Dynamite!

Smith—Do you and the Mrs. ever discuss the money question?
Snuffy—Yes, we try to, but we're never able to hold it down to a simple discussion!

Bivvy Dizz

Pete—Some of your wash was jumping around on the line last night.
Bogz—That was probably my athletic underwear.—Princeton Tiger.

Brilliant

Mike—Well, I answered a question in class today.
Ike—What answer did you give?
Mike—Present.

Their Purpose

Angry and Belated Railway Passenger—What use are the figures set down in these railway timetables?
General Station Master—Why, if it weren't for them figures we'd have no way of finding out how late the trains are.

A Go-Getter

"Is the motor car an asset to the church?" inquires a religious paper.
"Well, of course, it brings a good deal of business to the churchyard."

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Got Long-Lost Trunk

After a lapse of more than five years, Mrs. Evelyn Coleman of Brattleboro, Vt., has received word that a trunk lost in June, 1920, has been found. The director of the club where she stayed in New York found the trunk in a baggage room that was being cleared out preparatory to tearing down the building.

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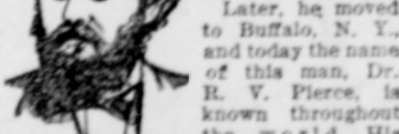
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The Lesser Expense

"I hear that you've bought your daughter an automobile. Pretty expensive game, isn't it?"
"No; it's a matter of economy. I figured that the car will keep her away from bridge parties."—Boston Transcript.

From School Teacher

A young man who was brought up on a farm, qualified for district school teacher, then managed to save enough money to put him thru medical college.



Later, he moved to Buffalo, N. Y., and today the name of this man, Dr. R. V. Pierce, is known throughout the world. His Golden Medical Discovery is the best known blood medicine and tonic. More than fifty million bottles have been sold. If your dealer does not sell the Discovery, in liquid or tablets, you can obtain a pkg. of the tablets by sending 65c to the Dr. Pierce Clinic, in Buffalo, N. Y. Also write for free medical advice.

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