

BRIGHT SKIES AT THE CAPITAL.**Parade of the Building Trades—Excursions to River Resorts**

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—There has never been a more pleasant day overhead and under foot at the capital than **Labor Day** has proved to be. There was little or no indication on the streets that the day was a holiday, for all the stores were open and business in them went on as usual. There were, however, fewer whistles blown at morning, midday and evening, some workshops were deserted, and the new buildings in progress made no further advance on Monday than on Sunday, for all the building trades made a holiday in honor of the progress of labor.

The Bricklayers' Assembly, to the number of 800 men, with badges and banners, assembled at their hall and then moved to the Peace Monument at the east capitol gate. There a delegation of some twenty-five members of the Baltimore Brickmakers' Assembly, who had come over on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, were welcomed, and took places in the line, which moved in the following order: Police Marshals Charles Stewart and Walter Cox; music, Third Artillery Band; Bricklayers' Assembly, with members on foot and in carriages; music, National Guard Band; Stone Masons' Assembly, John McKnight, marshal.

The rear of the line was occupied by invited guests in carriages; among them were several of the leading officers of the Knights of Labor and of the Federation of Labor. The procession attracted much attention. The line moved by Pennsylvania avenue, Fifteenth street, F street, Ninth street to Boundary, and thence to Brightwood avenue and on to Schuetzen Park, where pleasant exercises took place and the evening was spent in enjoyment.

Addresses were made by Representatives Quinn, Wade and McCarthy and H. J. Schulties.

The Painters' Assembly marched to the river and carried a large crowd to River View, where addresses were delivered by August Donath, Paul T. Bowen and others. A large number of members of other labor unions were present.

The Plasterers' Assembly made a trip in the steamer McAllister to Marshall Hall and spent the day there, with various enjoyments, among which were a base-ball game, tub and sack races, and dancing until a late hour.

The Hod Carriers' Union of Willing Workers, colored, marched from Shea's Hall to Mades's Park, near Eckington. They numbered over three hundred, were well dressed and wore badges. The line was headed by a detail from the National Band and was marshaled by Henry Jefferson. An immense crowd of colored people followed the line to the picnic grounds, where the day and evening were spent merrily.