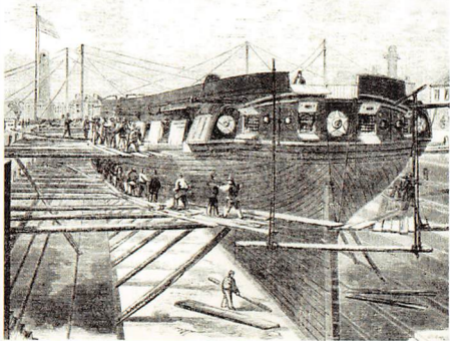


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*Fact: USS Constitution, famously known as “Old Ironsides,” was the first ship to enter Dry Dock One.*

Designed by Loammi Baldwin, Dry Dock One opened in 1833 and transformed the way ships were built and repaired, greatly increasing American sea power. The frigate *USS Merrimack* was repaired here in 1856, six years before the Confederacy transformed her into the ironclad *CSS Virginia*. The *Virginia* would soon meet another ship repaired in Dry Dock One, *USS Cumberland*, at the 1862 Battle of Hampton Roads.