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YESTERDAY'S TRAGEDY

The waters of the Potomac, nearly opposite this city closed again last night over Sunday excursionists—the second time within a year and near the same place. Last year, it will be remembered a large gasoline boat, belonging to Washington, was struck on a Sunday night by the United States dispatch boat Dolphin, at a point near Shepherds. The smaller boat was cut in two by the steel prow of the Dolphin. A naval investigation showed that the accident was not the fault of those who were navigating the government steamer. About half-past eight o'clock last night while the excursion steamer Angler, which plies between Washington and the park near Fort Foote, was proceeding down the river between Government Magazine and Shepherd's she collided with a gasoline boat belonging in Washington. The latter was nearly demolished and two women were drowned. The crew of the steamboat claim that the gasoline boat was cruising without lights. This, however, is denied by the men who were on the gasoline boat. The particulars of this second disaster will be found elsewhere in the Gazette.

Those who managed to escape drowning when the steamer struck the smaller boat admit that the excursionists had been drinking. This is significant and is another reminder that if people persist in taking long cruises and often after dark, in open boats, that experienced and sober men should be in charge. It is a fact known to all, that men and women often crowd into motor boats operated by inexperienced or careless men, and that more accidents do not result is marvelous. An officer of a Potomac steamer stated this morning that yesterday evening, previous to the accident referred to above, his steamer encountered over a dozen pleasure boats zigzagging up the river. It was dangerous to blow the whistle for the purpose of directing them, as this would have caused confusion among them; hence the steamer was compelled to pick her way through the small fleet. A captain of one of the Norfolk steamers recently said he had often been compelled to stop and sometimes back to escape striking motor boats.

The government prescribes certain rules concerning gasoline boats, but it is said that few are complied with. Now that the Potomac is dotted with such craft, especially on Sundays, more drastic measures should be taken, and only persons experienced in nautical life should be allowed to take charge of such, and they should be held equally responsible with licensed captains, pilots or engineers.

CONDITIONS IN CHINA

Conditions are far from satisfactory in China since the people of that

country threw off their monarchy and inaugurated a republic. An attempt was made a few days ago by a disgruntled politician to assassinate a cabinet officer, while disorders are reported in places throughout the country.

Advices reaching Shanghai state that two walled cities near Chao Yang, Manchuria, fell into the hands of a force of royalist rebels after fighting.

The country to the west of Jehol is expected also to fall into the hands of the rebels, as there has been much unrest there of late. News of the serious state of affairs is being suppressed by the authorities.

BOMBS FOR JUDGES

Carroll county, Va., is not the only place in the world where drastic measures in connection with the recall are resorted to.

Judges at Oporto, Portugal who were reported as favorable to the monarchist cause, have aroused the indignation of republicans there by acquitting all the royalist conspirators. Frequent conflicts have taken place there within the past forty-eight hours, and many have been injured.

Nine bombs have been exploded, two being thrown against two judges. Two bombs have been made for the purpose of destroying the offices of the monarchist paper, Diarioda Gard. Troops have been despatched by the government, as a further and more serious outburst is feared. The judges and jury are armed with revolvers and escorted to the tribunals by military forces.

MORE TRUBLE IN CUBA

Cuba, like the father of water, gets on periodical rampages and the United States ????? taking measures to quiet its portage.

During the time Spain exercised sovereignty over the island there was chronic rebellion, and the mother country was called upon to spend millions and sacrifice thousands of lives to no purpose. Since the United States assumed suzerainty similar conditions have prevailed. About forty per cent of the inhabitants of Cuba are negroes and they are disgruntled at conditions under Spanish rule and are by no means content with those under the republic. The United States, for the third time, in the past fourteen years, has been compelled to send warships to the storm-tossed country.

Prepared by the greatest naval demonstration since the Spanish-American war, five dreadnoughts of the United States navy are rushing to Cuba under full steam. Three other battleships and a cruiser are being loaded with marines and munitions of war at Hampton Roads with feverish haste, while still another battleship is hurrying across the Gulf of Mexico to join the fleet at Key West. At the Norfolk navy yard are assembled hundreds of marines waiting for transports, several of which are being made ready for quick embarkation.

To add to the excitement in naval circles a well founded rumor has gained circulation that the United States is rushing the nucleus of her sea-fighting power to southern waters not only to suppress the revolution in Cuba but also to put a final quietus on the situation in Mexico.

President Gomez has cabled to President Taft a protest against intervention. He declares he is unable to cope with the insurrection.

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THE GRACE OF GOD; TWO PENTECOSTS

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Pastor Russell in Chicago Took For His Text, "The Grace of God Which Bringeth Salvation Hath Appeared For All Men" (Titus ii, 11)—Corrects a Common Error Regarding the Fate of the Non-elect.



PASTOR RUSSELL

Chicago, May 26th.—Pastor Russell gave two addresses here today. We report one of his addresses, on "Pentecostal Blessings," from the text: "The grace of God which bringeth salvation hath appeared for all men." (Titus ii, 11.) He said in part: As Bible students we find it more and more necessary to study the Scriptures discriminatingly. Hitherto God's people have unwittingly narrowed down the grace of God and minimized the efficacy of Christ's redemptive sacrifice by asserting that all the blessings are for the Church and none for the world—that they are for the present age, and that with its consummation all hope will expire, and that the world, the non-elect, will suffer to all eternity, without ever having tasted of the grace of God in Christ—many without even coming to a knowledge of that provision for sinners.

Two Salvations—Two Pentecosts.

A more careful study of the Bible is revealing to God's people all over the world the fact that He has for mankind two distinct salvations, one for the Church, the other for the world, and each of these salvations is introduced by a Pentecostal blessing. That the Church is merely a "first-fruits unto God of His creatures" is distinctly stated by St. James (i, 18), and this implies most positively that there will be after-fruits.

Note the Apostle's statement respecting the efficacy of Christ's sacrifice, both for the Church and for the world—he says, "He is a propitiation for our sins (the Church), and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world" (I John ii, 2).

This does not signify that all will gain everlasting life on the same plane of glory. The change of nature from human to divine is a part of the superior blessing provided by the Lord for those who now walk by faith in the footsteps of the Redeemer. The blessings to the world will not include a change of nature, but a restoration of the willing and obedient to human perfection, such as Adam enjoyed before he sinned.

Many of us had not noticed until recently that two Pentecostal blessings are mentioned by the Prophet. Our overlooking this was doubtless because it was not due time for this feature to be clearly understood. Now, as the time nears for the fulfillment of the second Pentecostal blessing, the force and meaning of the Scripture shines out. Before making known the riches of His grace to the world God has been pleased to foreordain the election of the Church, to be joint-heirs with Jesus in the glorious work of blessing earth's teeming millions.

Notice the text: "It shall come to pass, saith the Lord, at the end of those days, that I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh, . . . and in those days I will pour out My Spirit upon My servants and upon My handmaidens" (Joel ii, 28; Acts ii, 17). St. Peter, in quoting the prophecy, properly applied only the portion which was due in his day, namely, that portion applicable to the servants and handmaidens of the Lord. The two features of the prophecy are distinctly marked—one blessing to be upon God's servants and handmaidens only, the other to be upon all flesh. The one was to be "in those days," the other, "after those days."

Jubilee Day—Jubilee Year.

The Day of Pentecost was the grand Jubilee Day, in which God's blessing was attained, marking the forgiveness of sin and the acceptance by the Heavenly Father. It was the 50th day (7 x 7 plus 1). Every Jewish Sabbath pointed to this Jubilee Day as the culmination of the Sabbath day system. The word "Sabbath" signifies rest and this culmination of the Sabbath days in a fiftieth signified the completeness of the rest.

But it will be remembered that in the Law given to Israel there was not only a seven-day series of Sabbaths, but also a seven-year series of Sabbaths. Each seventh year was a Sabbath year, leading up to a Jubilee (7 x 7 plus 1), the fiftieth. As the day Sabbath reached a glorious culmination for the Church, so the year Sabbath will reach a glorious climax for the world. The fiftieth year was the Jubilee. In that year all debts were cancelled, and all who had been sold into slavery for debt went free.

This pictured the coming blessings—the Day of Messiah, when He shall reign and when through the merit of His sacrifice all sin will be forgiven and all slavery to sin and death will be abolished. This is not a new thought. Centuries ago Bible students discerned that the Jubilee of Israel's time was a feature of the Law foreshadowing a blessing world-wide. It was with this knowledge that our beautiful hymn was written: "Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow."

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