

NEED MORE MONEY FOR VOLTURNO AID

Expenditures Exceed Contributions and Many Survivors
Are Still in Need.

28 COMING ON THE OLYMPIC

La France Bringing the 40 Rescued
by La Touraine and Carmania the
59 Saved by the Devonian.

The response of the people of New York to the call for money for the relief of the victims of the Volturno ship disaster has been so small as to astonish the men and women who have been active in caring for the unfortunates. When the day's book was closed by Treasurer Jacob H. Schiff last evening only \$5,262.52 had been subscribed in the seven days of the effort. This is on an average of a little less than \$735 a day. Yesterday's contributions aggregated \$383.50 in items representing eighteen groups of contributors.

The amount of money that will be needed to palliate the sufferings of these people cannot be determined. W. Frank Parsons, Director of the Red Cross emergency relief work, is still engaged in the task of trying to get definite information on the extent and nature of the relief needed. The relief workers have been handicapped by the wide radius of the work. Families are separated and some of them bereaved by deaths in the sea. Definite information about these families has not been received, and that which is at hand may or may not be reliable. The confusion in foreign names has served as an obstacle to this work.

Up to date the survivors who have reached port have been given relief in the form of clothing, transportation, shelter and, in a few instances, cash. No effort has been made to restore to them any of the property they may have lost. The survivors escaped with only

the clothing they wore and the money in their pockets.

Already 185 survivors have reached New York, and most of these have been sent to their destinations. The Kroonland brought in 74 passengers and 14 of the crew, the Kurfuerst, 83 passengers and 23 of the crew; the Florizel brought 11 from Halifax, where they had been landed by the Rappahannock, and the Seydlitz landed 29 passengers and 16 of the crew in Philadelphia. Seventeen of those saved by the Seydlitz came to New York.

There are still many absent. Twenty-eight are expected to-morrow on the Olympic. These were rescued by the Minneapolis, which took up 30, two of whom chose to remain on the other side. The 40 rescued by La Touraine will come to New York on the France on Oct. 24. The Czar rescued 102, and of these the Campanella will land 85 here on Oct. 29. The Carmania, with the 59 saved by the Devonian, will get here on Oct. 25. The 29 taken up by the Narragansett will be landed at Montreal by the Royal Edward.

The tardiness of New York in responding to the Volturno fund is hard to explain, but reasons for it have been advanced. Miss Sadie American, a member of the Advisory Board of the American Red Cross Society and President of the New York section of the Council of Jewish Women, suggested one reason. She said:

"Of course, this disaster is immediately contrasted with the sinking of the Titanic. In that disaster many big names were involved, and there were many more lost than rescued. The popular chord was struck and contributions came fast. For some reason or another the people do not understand that the suffering of the survivors of the Volturno disaster is as acute. They need help, and need it at once. If we are to continue to do for these people we must have the money for the purpose.

"The actual expenditure has been in excess of the amount of money received for the survivors. A large part of the money contributed has gone for clothing, for emergency relief to them as they left the city and in their homes, and for telegrams to their friends. The immediate relief is sometimes the smallest part of the work, as is proved by cases coming to us this morning, which require medical and hospital treatment as well as emergency relief."

Under an arrangement with the Red Cross Society families of immigrants were sent to the Hebrew Sheltering Society and unaccompanied girls were sent to the Clara de Hirsch Home. Women and children were provided with clothing. Each person relieved was outfitted from head to foot in duplicate.

The amount of money contributed for the Volturno survivors is being contrasted with the other funds raised in New York within the last two years. For the Titanic survivors \$161,000 was subscribed. In the Spring \$595,000 was handled by Jacob H. Schiff for flood sufferers in the Middle States. In 1912 Mr. Schiff handled a fund of \$125,609 to relieve sufferers in the Chinese famine. For the relief of the survivors and

families of victims of the Triangle Shirtwaist fire \$104,000 was contributed.

The cash contributions received by the Red Cross Relief Society yesterday were:

Carolina Joseph	\$10.00	Mrs. W. Bayard	
Selmar Hess	10.00	Cutting	100.00
Mrs. M. H. Gar-		Through N. Y.	
rard	10.00	THAMES	105.00
Mrs. A. Cohn	25.00	Through Mayor	
Mrs. H. S. Cohen	5.00	Kline	
L. A. Cerf	50.00	"Sympathy"	.50
Employees of H.		Sol. D. Silber-	
Meyer & Co.	5.00	stein	10.00
Frank Hopkins	5.00	Mrs. L. Lindy	2.00
"S. J. G."	10.00		
Wm. E. Harmon	20.00	Total	\$383.50
M. Rosenberg	5.00	Prev. acknowl.	4,579.02
"M. C. E."	10.00		
Klara Gruber	1.00	Grand total	\$5,262.52

THE TIMES acknowledges the receipt of \$25 for the Volturno survivors relief fund from H. O. Benjamin. This will be turned over to Jacob H. Schiff, Treasurer Red Cross Committee, 52 William Street. Another contribution of \$5 from Francis Parsons will be sent to Mr. Schiff.

CRAZED BY VOLTURNO'S TALES

Slav Kills Himself After Listening to Survivors.

Crazed by stories he had been told about the scenes aboard the steamship Volturno, Nicholas Mrach, a Slav, committed suicide late yesterday by jumping from the fourth floor of the Austrian Immigrants Home at 84 Broad Street.

Mrach came on here two days ago from Chicago and had intended to sail for Austria on Saturday. He had bought his steamship ticket, and as he had little money to spare, he went to the home and was assigned to a dormitory on the fourth floor with a dozen other men. There were about twenty of the survivors of the Volturno at the home, and several of them lost relatives in the disaster.

All day Monday Mrach listened to the tales they told of the burning ship, and yesterday morning Andrew Repic, the Superintendent, noticed that he seemed greatly depressed.

Late yesterday afternoon after talking with men in the dormitory, he ran to the window, shouting that he would kill himself. Before any of the men could reach him he climbed out on the fire escape and jumped.

Mrach had been in this country for about ten years. Fifty-three cents and his steamship ticket were found in his clothing.

PETITION AGAINST LIBRARY.

Creditor Starts Proceedings Against Fifth Avenue Society, Inc.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed against the Fifth Avenue Library Society, Incorporated, of 3 West Twenty-ninth Street, yesterday, in the District Court. J. J. Little & Ives Company, a creditor for \$1,540, presented the peti-

tion, alleging that the company had made preferential payments and transferred property valued at \$25,000. This property included three sets of books known as the Ridpath Library. It is stated in the petition that on

Sept. 25 a trust agreement was made with some of the creditors in order to raise additional capital and market the books of the Ridpath Library for a three months' test plan. Emanuel G. Huyler of Philadelphia was chosen as trustee.