

CARNEGIE GIVES \$10,000 FOR RUSSIAN RELIEF

Applause in Church as Ministers Declare Czar Is Responsible.

FUND NOW ABOUT \$140,000

One Speaker Says Money Should Be Sent to the Jews to Buy Powder and Bullets.

The fund being raised in this country for the relief of the victims of the Russian massacres was yesterday increased by the addition of a check for \$10,000 from Andrew Carnegie, who announced his gift in this letter to Isidor Straus:

"I am only too glad to send you the inclosed as a contribution to the fund for the relief of your coreligionists in Russia. The etrrible crimes being committed there are such as might lead one to lose faith in humanity, had not the history of the past shown us scenes equally demoniac.

"Do not be discouraged, however. Under the law of evolution we must steadily, though slowly, march upward and finally reach the true conception of the brotherhood of man."

Other contributions made yesterday bring the total up to not far from \$140,000.

Yesterday morning a large audience heard the Rev. Dr. Silverman, at Temple Emanu-El, deliver a strong address, in which he charged that the massacres of Jews were the result of an organized conspiracy between the Czar, the bureaucracy, and the Russian Greek Church.

Send Them Bullets, One Speaker Says.

At 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon the Baptist Church of the Epiphany was the scene of a mass meeting at which both Christinans and Jews were present and at which the massacres and the Russian Government were denounced by several speakers, including the Rev. R. S. MacArthur, the Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters and the Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman. George Dobsevage, a bood illustrator, created a small sensation by saying:

"Christianity is not on trial. There are two classes of people in Russia. One class revilles and persecutes the Jew; the other class fights for the Jews. My parents witnessed some of the atrocities enacted in the massacres of 1882-1883. At that time, as now, some of the Russian Jews were defended by the native Russians. It is well to send them money, but it would be better to send them the means of defending themselves, send them firearms-bullets, if necessary."

"Russia, the ghoul of history," said Dr. Peters, in opening the meeting, "is again at her old work, and the result is the most shocking tragedy of modern times. ~~We must hold her responsible~~ for the things that make the blood boil as we read of them. Despite professions and promises of reform, the Czar and the nobles have not reformed. Not a step has yet been taken, even, toward protecting the life and property of the Jews."

In regard to the causes of the slaughter Dr. Peters said:

"Why are the Jews beaten and murdered in Russia? It is mainly because of Jewish education. The Jew educates his children. Scarcely a Jew of full age there but is able to read and write, while of the Russians 80 per cent. are illiterate. The root of the whole matter is the Russian antipathy for the Jew's capacity for better government. The Jew's progress is his offense in the eyes of the Russians.

"And yet to the Jews' enlightened sense of freedom is due all the progress that Russia has been forced to take. And now the reactionaries in Russia want the Jews exterminated, in the knowledge that while they remain there they will be a light in the darkness and the leaven of liberty which will in time leaven the whole lump so that in the long run despotism there shall be impossible.

Record of the Jews.

"One would think that the Jews in Russia were an undesirable class. What are the facts? Only one Russian Jew in 2,170 belongs to the criminal class, while among the non-Jews the proportion is one to every 715. We thought that we had outgrown religious intolerance and racial bigotry, those twin relics of barbarism, but these massacres show us that we are still under their domain."

"I tell you that Christianity is on trial rather than Judaism," said Dr. MacArthur. "Christianity, in so far as it is represented by the Russian church, is very properly condemned ly these outrages. But it is a false system of Christianity that is so condemned. False systems of Christianity have always persecuted the Jews, as they were persecuted in Spain eight centuries before the Spanish Inquisition, when they were forced, 90,000 of them, to embrace Christian baptism or pay for their refusal with their lives. Such a Christianity is unworthy of the name."

Dr. MacArthur several times aroused his audience to such enthusiasm, as he denounced the outrages in Russia, that they broke into applause. The speaker called attention to the fact that America had always sympathized with the oppressed.

"We went down to Cuba," he said, "and struck a heroic blow for the Cubans and paralyzed the army of bigoted mediaeval Spain, thus winning freedom forever for the Cubans. We lifted up our voice in behalf of the Armenians when they were made the victims of massacres. But I tell you we have been slow in lifting up our voice for the persecuted Jew. We seem to have forgotten the debt in literature, in history, in science, in music, and in religion that we owe him. But if I had a thousand voices I would lift them all up in behalf of this ancient, this noble, this marvelous people."

"I hope our words here this afternoon will echo all over this Republic. I hope they will be heard in Washington. [Applause.] Perhaps our fearless President can do nothing as President, but I tell you that he can do almost anything simply as Theodore Roosevelt." [Great applause.]

Dr. Silverman Speaks.

In introducing Dr. Silverman, Dr. Peters said that religious faith was very largely a matter of birth.

"If," said he, "my mother and Dr. Silverman's mother had swapped babies I should now undoubtedly be the rabbi of a Jewish congregation and he would be pastor of my church."

Dr. Silverman declared that the mas-

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sacres, awful as they were, would not have happened in vain if they should cause the spirit of brotherhood to spread to Russia, to find its way through the stone walls of the Czar's palace and soften the hard heart of that modern Pharaoh. The massacres had happened because Russia did not really know the Jew. England did not know him until a few centuries ago—did not know him in Shakespeare's time, else the poet never would have so misrepresented the Jews as he did when he drew the character of Shylock.

Checks were yesterday received by Cyrus L. Sulzberger, Secretary of the Relief Fund Committee, amounting to \$1,598.35. In the afternoon the committee that is engaged in canvassing the clothing trades to raise subscriptions to the fund met at Temple Emanu-El and announced that it had already raised \$5,000 and hoped to get \$25,000 more. Marcus M. Marks was Chairman of the meeting, which was addressed by Oscar S. Straus, Justice Samuel Greenbaum of the Supreme Court, Cyrus L. Sulzberger, and others. After they got through talking it took only two minutes to raise more than \$1,500 from fifteen clothiers, everybody else present having already subscribed. Similar results are expected from the other trade committees that have been organized to raise funds.

B'nai Brith Contributes.

The Independent Order B'nai Brith, District No. 1, comprising New England and New York, of which Charles Hartman is President, subscribed more than \$5,500 yesterday morning at a meeting of the Presidents of the various lodges, who pledged this amount.

Down on the east side the relief work is getting fairly under way. The meeting at Capitol Hall on Saturday night raised \$2,000 for the fund. The committee of fifty-nine of the Jewish Defense Association met yesterday and perfected plans to organize all the Jewish societies and lodges of the city under the association's auspices. There will be five meetings to raise money for the fund in various east side halls to-night. A large audience crowded Pacific Hall, 209 East Broadway, yesterday afternoon, to listen to Joseph Barondess and Meyer London.

A Brooklyn landlord has written a letter in regard to the plan announced in The Jewish Daily News for each tenant to tax himself one-tenth of a month's rent for the benefit of the sufferers by the Russian outrage. The landlord says that the plan is a good one, but he does not see why the tenants should be taxed and not the landlords. He therefore forwards \$12.20, one-tenth of his monthly rent receipts of \$122.

The New Subscriptions.

Here is the list of checks received yesterday by Secretary Sulzberger of the Relief Fund:

Iezekiah Kohn	\$100.00
Harry Meyer	250.00
H. J. Freeman	5.00
P. Allgow	1.00
A. Katz	1.00
I. Vigotman	1.00
Alphonse Weil & Brother	100.00
George C. Boldt	100.00
Dr. Albert H. Buck	10.00
Charles Dushkind	10.00
Henry N. Ottenberg	2.00
Henry Wollman	100.00
Carmel Wine Company	50.00
E. W. Lewin-Epstein	10.00
David Cohen	25.00
Manheim & Manheim	100.00
H. R. Isaacson & Son	25.00
H. H. Uris	25.00
I. Kraushar	25.00
C. Winderman	10.00
Levy & Weinstein	100.00
M. L. Marrus	25.00
Joseph Adelson	25.00
L. Hyman	25.00
A. Pearlman	5.00
H. Levinton	5.00
Katz & Wimpie	25.00
Mrs. Dora Cohen	10.00
Abraham Cohen	2.00
Stell & Grollman	5.00
N. Stalewitz	2.00
S. Simon	25.00
Simon Cohen	1.00
Simon Cohen	.50
Alfred Steckler	25.00
Arthur M. Mayer	5.00
Eugene S. Benjamin	250.00
J. Rawitszer	25.00
Employes of Mendel Brothers	45.85
L. H. Rothschild	25.00
Julius Shongood	10.00
Employes of S. Hurwitz	7.00
Total	\$1,598.35

RUSSIAN CHURCH DENOUNCED.

Blood of the Jews On Its Head, Says Dr. Silverman.

At Temple Emanu-El yesterday morning the Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman delivered, before a large audience, an address on "The Russian Crisis and the Jewish Question." He declared that the Czar had abandoned the Jews to the popular lust for blood and that the responsibility for the massacres was shared in heavy measure by the Russian Church and the bureaucracy. He said:

"In Russia a great crisis is impending; that benighted country is passing through the most crucial period of its existence. The handwriting on the wall of the palace reads the doom of the Czar: 'Thou hast been weighed in the balance and found wanting.' For many decades the throne has been tottering, and is now on the verge of a complete collapse.

"In Russia when the traveler in Winter is driving over the snow-covered country and is pursued by hungry wolves, he will quickly kill or wound one of his horses and abandon it to the wolves, thus gaining the opportunity to escape. In the present crisis, the Government of Russia is beset by infuriated mobs, howling for liberty or redress and threatening the destruction of cities, industries, and even the palace and the lives of the regal family and the Czar himself. Driven to some expedient for escape, it casts the Jews to the hungry wolves, the maddened mobs, bent upon blood and booty, and they eagerly seize the prey thrown to them.

"The Jew in Russia has always been held between the upper and the nether millstone, has always been ground down by the fanaticism, the superstition, the prejudices of the masses and the greed and wickedness of the Government and the officials.

"Hence the present massacre of thousands upon thousands of men, women, and children. It is but a repetition of the horrors of Kishineff increased a hundredfold. As at Kishineff, the Government was an abettor of the crime, so also now I can read the events of the past few months coupled with those of the past in no other light. This holocaust of Jews is but the culmination of the demand of the people for liberty. It is a trick of the nefarious Government for killing one issue by creating another.

"The words of Count Witte that the Government sympathizes with the victims and will do all in its power to prevent further massacre are but the language of hypocritical diplomacy. That a strong Government like Russia that has emerged from a great war, and has an army of several hundred thousands of soldiers, that has put down mutiny and revolt in the army and the navy, that such a Government cannot end the present massacre is beyond belief.

"There is only one inference to be drawn. The Czar is sacrificing the Jew in order to gratify the people's temporary lust for vandalism, and thus gain time for strengthening the imperial power.

"The Church of Russia is equally culpable with the Government. It has for centuries been the persecutor of the Jew in Russia, and has repeatedly declared that the Jew must be either converted or exterminated. It is the spirit of the Spanish Inquisition that is at the bottom of the present massacres. The Church by its very silence alone is particeps criminis.

"The present condition calls for heroic measures. First, relief must be secured for the maimed and the widows and orphans. The distress is great and the need of relief is urgent. Secondly, I believe that our National Government could take some action in concert with other nations to bring pressure on the Russian Government to speedily put an end to the atrocities. What it did for the Cubans, for the Armenians, and the Chinese it should do for the Jew."

Dr. Silverman thought that the country, in view of the great immigration that is bound to overrun this country if the Jewish oppression is not halted, would be justified in taking action, as it did in the case of Roumania, to prevent undesirable or wholesale immigration.

He added that the eradication of anti-Semitism must be begun by instituting a campaign of education in all the countries of the world. He declared:

"Such a campaign could be directed against every form of religious prejudice and fanaticism. It should call into ac-

tive service the professors of colleges, teachers, ministers, legislators, and literary people. The present horrors call for a relief fund of a million dollars. Another million ought to be afterward raised for the campaign of education."

REVOLUTIONISTS MEET HERE.

Resolve to Raise \$2,000 to Help the Cause in Russia.

Delegates representing fifty-five organizations of east side workingmen in sympathy with the Russian Revolutionary Party held a meeting yesterday in the University Settlement Building, at Rivington and Eldridge Streets, in order to take measures for aiding the Russian revolutionists.

Most of the delegates were from the Workingmen's Circle, composed of Radical Socialists. The others were from the Bund, the Central Russian Revolutionary Organization, and the Socialist Party. Red flags draped the window, and there was a solitary American flag on one of the walls.

The speakers, who talked in Yiddish, denounced the Czar and the Russian Government. They declared that the revolutionary movement in Russia would succeed if it received support from the workingmen in other countries. It was resolved to raise \$2,000 for the purpose of spreading agitation in favor of the Russian revolution, to be increased by further contributions.