

EXPLOSION OF LYING ABOUT TITANIC--SHAW

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And Asks if He Can Be Mad to Feel
That Way—Sir William White
on Ships' Safeguards.

By Marconi Transatlantic Wireless Telegraph
to The New York Times.

LONDON, Tuesday, May 14.—George Bernard Shaw, in an article in The Daily News entitled "Some Unmentioned Morals of the Titanic Disaster," asks:

"Why is it that the effect of a sensational catastrophe on a modern nation is to cast into transports, not of weeping, not of prayer, not of sympathy with the bereaved nor of congratulation of the rescued, not of poetic expression of soul purified by pity and terror, but of wild defiance of inexorable fate and of undeniable fact by an explosion of outrageous, romantic lying?"

Mr. Shaw criticises the stories in regard to "women and children first" and the tributes to Capt. Smith, who, he says, is written of in the newspapers "as if he were a Nelson," whereas, "the one thing positively known about Capt. Smith is that he lost the ship by deliberately and knowingly steaming into an ice field at the highest speed he had coal for."

Mr. Shaw concludes:
"What is the use of all this ghastly, blasphemous, inhuman, braggartly lying? Here is a calamity which might well make the proudest man humble and the wildest joker serious. It makes us vainglorious, insolent, mendacious. The effect on me was one of profound disgust, almost of national dishonor. Am I mad?"

"It seems to me that when deeply moved men should speak the truth. The English nation appears to take precisely the contrary view. Again am I in a minority. What will be the end of it for England? I mean, suppose we came into conflict with a race that had the courage to look facts in the face and the wisdom to know itself for what it was. It is fortunate for us that no such race is in sight. Our wretched consolation must be that any other nation would have behaved just as absurdly."

Sir William H. White, the eminent naval constructor, contributes to The Times a lengthy article reviewing the Titanic disaster in the light of the evidence given before the United States Senate Committee, which, he says, while it conducted its inquiry in a manner that justly gave cause for serious criticism, placed on record material of great value. Sir William concludes:

"There has been strong criticism lately of the official regulations for boats on passenger ships. The writer ventures to predict that when the natural but temporary excitement has disappeared and calmer consideration of the subject becomes possible, it will be seen that the question of boat equipment, important as it undoubtedly is, must be treated as subordinate to that of efficient water-tight subdivision. Possibly the time is approaching when shipowners will concur in action by which such subdivision shall be made the subject of legislation on lines to be agreed upon by the Board of Trade and themselves. In view of the experience gained in connection with legislation for loadlines on merchant ships, it is permissible to hope that if such action be taken it may be of an international character."

PHILLIPS FUND GROWING.

Jacob H. Schiff Issues a Notice to
Needy Survivors of the Titanic.

Subscription lists for contributions to the Jack Phillips Memorial Fund were posted yesterday by C. C. Galbraith at the Maritime Exchange, and \$56 was added to the \$456.50 previously given, which brings the total up to \$512.50. The object of this fund is to erect a suitable memorial to Jack Phillips, the wireless operator who went down with the Titanic, and also to create a permanent fund in the interest of wireless operators who perform heroic deeds, and for the

assistance of their families in case of death or accident on duty. The donors yesterday were:

Williard U. Taylor, President Maritime Exchange	\$5.00
William Simmons, Secretary Maritime Exchange	5.00
Donald S. L. Lee, Maritime Exchange ..	5.00
E. R. Luckenbach	5.00
West India Steamship Company	5.00
A. H. Bull Steamship Company	5.00
Benham & Boyeson	5.00
Hughes & Co.	5.00
Insular Line	5.00
C. T. Bigbie, Steamship Jefferson	1.00
F. H. Menagh, Prinz August Wilhelm ..	1.00
W. Cohen, Steamship Zulia	1.00
Joseph T. Worrall, Steamship San Marcos	1.00
John Slater	1.00
F. E. Watters, Pilotboat New Jersey ...	1.00
J. A. Nash, Steamship Rio Grande	1.00
F. J. Doherty, Steamship Apache	1.00
H. Paul Miller, Steamship Santiago	1.00
W. D. Sandman	1.00
J. C. H., Jr.	1.00

	\$56.00
Previously acknowledged	456.50
	\$512.50

The subscriptions sent to the office of Jacob H. Schiff, Treasurer of the New York County Chapter of the American National Red Cross Association, were "W. S. U.," \$10, and Kaplan's Congregation of 106 Avenue C, \$3.75, which brings the fund up to a total of \$19,739.87. It was stated yesterday at the office of Mr. Schiff that any survivor of the Titanic who is badly in need of assistance should apply to W. F. Persons, at 1 Madison Avenue, either personally or by letter, or they can write to Mr. Schiff at his office, in the Kuhn-Loeb building, at William and Pine Streets.

The Mayor's fund now amounts to \$129,735.01.