There were Col. John Jacob Astor and his wife, Miss Madeline Force, to whom he was so sensationally married last September : Isador Straus, of New York : Major Archihald W. Butt. aide to President Taft: George B. Widener, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Harper, William T. Stead, the London journalist; J. Bruce Ismay, president and managing director of the White Star Line : Benjamin Guggenheim, of copper mining fame ; F. D. Millet, the artist, and many more whose names are known on both sides of the Atlantic. Of all these Mr. Ismay is the only one known to have been saved.

While the fate of the majority of the 2,180 persons on board the Titanic remained in doubt, and it was feared more than 1,200 persons were lost, a note of good cheer came from the ocean ways, between one and two o'clock Tuesday morning.

It was a wireless message from the White Star liner Olympic, one of the vessels hovering near the scene of the disaster, flashing the news that 868 of the Titanic's passengers, mostly women and children, were being brought to port by the Cunard liner Carpathia. Other messages later brought confirmatory tidings.

First reports were that the Carpathia had saved but 675 persons. The new figures reduced the list of those for whose fate fear was felt by more than 200. Final official figures made public after the arrival of the Carpathia in New York, show that the actual number saved was only 705.

After the first desperate calls of the Titanic for help had been sent flying through space and brought steamers for hundreds of miles around speed-

ing to the scene, what seems to have been an impenetrable wall of silence was raised between her and the anxious world. The giant liner went to her fate without so much as a whisper of what must have been the scenes of heart-rending tragedy being enacted on her decks. In the lack of even a line from a survivor, imagination pauses. One cannot even attempt to conjecture what passed as the inevitable became known and it was seen that of the more than 2,000 human lives with which she was freighted there could be hope of saving far less than half.

Other than the early news that 868 persons, largely women and children, had been rescued from the liner's boats by the Cunarder Carpathia, more than six hours of the night passed without a word as to the fate of the remainder of those who were

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