

LETTER TELLS OF CRUELITIES OF RUSS

Frank Popkin's Relatives In Nikoloef Are Driven From Their Homes.

Frank Popkin, of Superior street and Lake avenue, has received a letter from his cousin, L. Lubov of New York, describing briefly the cruelties to which his brother, H. Lubov and his sister, were subjected in Russia. H. Lubov and his sister are Mr. Popkin's cousins. They have long lived in Nikolaef, Russia, and were among the Jews persecuted by the Russians. The only victories the Russians appear to have been able to achieve were those over the Jewish merchants in their own country.

According to the letter, H. Lubov and his sister were with other Jewish people attacked in the night by Russians. They were driven out of their homes in their night clothing and pelted with sticks and mud, but succeeded in finding temporary refuge. The sister reached the home of a relative, arriving nearly dead from exposure, having little or no clothing except a night gown.

Mr. Lubov's store was sacked and he was reduced from a man of wealth to a condition of comparative poverty, his stock, valued at 100,000 roubles, being carried off. The letter is vague as to what the Russians did at his home, but that was at least pillaged. Mr. Popkin fears his relatives are in desperate straits, probably being among the dead.