

## DR. DODGE AND FAMILY MAY HAVE MISSED TITANIC

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[Photo] Assessor Washington Dodge, Mrs. Washington Dodge

Relatives of Assessor Received Word That He Would Stop Over in Paris

Shortly before 2 o'clock this morning the "Chronicle" was notified by relatives of Washington Dodge that there was a strong probability that the City Assessor, who was reported lost with the male passengers of the Titanic, was still in Paris with his wife. His mother, Mrs. Eliza Dodge, who resides in Berkeley, stated she was sure her son and family are not among the ill-fated voyagers. Speaking for the mother, Robert Hayes Smith said to the "Chronicle": "We are confident that we will receive word from Paris...[missing] The Dodges are prominent socially in San Francisco, the marriage of Dr. Dodge to Mrs. Fontaine, widow of a French sugar magnate, seven years ago being a social event of prominence here. The boy, who accompanied them to Europe and was with them at the time...[missing] Harry Dodge, a son of Dr. Washington Dodge by a former marriage, is employed in San Francisco, and Miss Vida Fontaine, Mrs. Dodge's daughter by a former marriage, is now in school in San Mateo. Dr. Dodge and his family were returning from Europe after a short vacation. He had been under treatment of a specialist in Paris. Dr. Dodge was elected a member of the Board of Supervisors in 1896, and two years later he was elected Assessor. He has held that office since...[missing] Recently it was reported that he would retire the Assessorship upon his return here and accept the appointment as vice-president of the Anglo-California and London-Paris National Bank. Dr. Dodge was educated in California and graduated from the medical department of the University of California.

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