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#### TITANIC DISASTER CLAIMS OVER TEN MILLION DOLLARS

ONE CLAIM ALONE IS FOR A COOL MILLION—TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE CLAIMS FILED YESTERDAY AGAINST WHITE STAR LINE.

(Special to Daily News.)  
New York, Jan. 15.—A flood of petitions for damages in connection with the loss of the Titanic was filed today. Mrs. Harris, widow of Mr. H. B. Harris, the well known theatrical manager who was among the victims, asks for damages of \$1,000,000, this being the heaviest of the 279 claims yet filed. The total claims amount to over \$10,000,000.

A 3 days' carnival of bargain giving at Wallace's White Sale. 13-14

#### HOME RULE BILL IS NOW UP FOR FINAL HEARING

REJECTION IN HOUSE OF LORDS IS ALMOST A CERTAINTY—BALFOUR CLAIMS EVERYONE IS BEING DUPED.

(Special to Daily News.)  
London, Jan. 15.—The home rule bill entered its final stages in the House of Commons this afternoon. The debate must be concluded by tomorrow night. The measure will then go before the House of Lords, where rejection is a foregone conclusion. Hon. A. J. Balfour, in moving for rejection of the bill, made an appeal to the country to realize the risk that would be run in permitting the bill to become law. He claimed that everyone was being duped in connection with the matter. The Nationalists thought that the bill made Ireland a nation, while English citizens thought it would be the means of obtaining political peace.

#### LOCAL UNDERWRITERS' ASSN. HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

PRINCE RUPERT COMMITTEE OF MAINLAND FIRE UNDERWRITERS' ASSN. CONFIDENT OF SECURING REDUCTION OF RATES WHEN LAKE IS CONNECTED WITH CITY.

The first annual meeting of the Prince Rupert committee of the Mainland Fire Underwriters' Association of B. C. was held at the offices of the Continental Trust Co. yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The bylaws and constitution of the local committee were accepted by the board of directors of the British Columbia mainland board. The object of the association is to take the place of intermediary between the public and the board fire companies. The local board, who are directing all their energies toward endeavoring to get the insurance rates lowered, feel confident that their efforts will meet with success by the time the Shawatians Lake water is connected with the city. In this connection the fire protection committee want to warn the public against the danger that is incurred by the waste of water through letting traps run continually during this frosty weather. Prince Rupert occupies the place of honor with her sister cities of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster of being among the only four cities in the province which have committees at present. Each local committee is under the direct jurisdiction of the mainland board, whose head office is in Vancouver. The following officers for the ensuing year were elected: Chairman, C. W. Peck; vice chairman, T. D. Pattullo; secretary-treasurer, M. J. Hobin; investigating committee, E. H. Mortimer, E. C. Gibbons, W. S. Fisher; fire protection committee, J. C. Halsey, J. Lorne McLaren and Lee Baker; rate schedule and commission committee, M. M. Stephens, A. G. Forster and T. Brown. This local board is composed of men representing tariff or board companies in the province. Tariff companies are the only ones that banks will recognize when ensuring collateral in respect of loans. All rates are made by the main board. Every three months a sworn statement is furnished by each firm represented on the board, stating that they have figured rates correctly and have conducted their insurance business in a straightforward and businesslike manner.

David H. Hays, who has been in the south for the last couple of weeks was amongst those returning yesterday on the Prince Rupert.

#### PATTULLO'S FINAL RALLY AT THE WESTHOLME LAST NIGHT

Sane and Business-Like Addresses Delivered by Mr. Pattullo, Aldermanic Candidates Supporting Him and Ex-Mayor Stork ---O. H. Nelson, Chairman of the School Board, Gave an Account of the Work Done by That Body

The large audience that completely filled the Westholme Opera House last night was representative of practically every interest in the City of Prince Rupert and was a positive assurance of the election today of T. D. Pattullo to the mayoralty chair for 1913. The meeting was absolutely devoid of distasteful personal references and slanderous statements concerning the opponents of those in whose interests it was held. It was a meeting of intelligent electors for the purpose of listening to a discussion of issues of vital importance to a city which has to prepare for the rapid influx of people which is bound to come in the very near future.

Ex-Mayor Fred Stork occupied the chair and with him on the platform were T. D. Pattullo, A. H. Allison, William Sibbald, George Leek and G. R. Naden. Mr. Stork said that it afforded him much pleasure to take the chair at a meeting for Mr. Pattullo, the coming mayor for 1913. A municipality is like a joint stock company and its affairs should be conducted on similar principles. A joint stock company holds an annual meeting for the election of directors and managing director for the ensuing year and this was what would be done today. Prince Rupert is a joint stock company, capitalized at \$12,000,000. Are you, he asked, as electors willing to place S. M. Newton in charge of such an organization for another year. (Cries of No, no.) Mr. Pattullo, in seeking election for mayor, was asking no favors. It was a compliment to the electors to have the opportunity of voting for so able a candidate as Mr. Pattullo. It was up to the electors to elect men to the Council who would be able to establish a better reputation for the city at outside points.

**T. D. Pattullo.**  
When the applause had subsided after Mr. Pattullo was called on to address the audience, he said that this was his first opportunity of addressing the electors since he had known that he had an opponent in the field. He had no desire to appeal to their sentiments or their prejudices in the contest. Some had thought he had been rather severe in his denunciation of Mr. Newton, but this had been necessary to impress upon some people his utter incapacity for the position and his absolute insincerity. Mayor Newton had accused him of having no platform. What kind of a platform did Mayor Newton offer the electors—nothing but a farce from beginning to end. One thing that would be done by the incoming Council would be to evolve a sewer system that would answer present requirements and that would repay the city for the cost.

Mr. Pattullo devoted a few minutes to the manifesto circulated by Mayor Newton. In this the latter stated that his reason for withdrawing from the mayoralty contest was that he thought some one else could be induced to take his place. Only a few nights ago he had given as his reason that he could not successfully finance and manage the city's affairs. At 7 o'clock on Thursday night he would have still another reason for withdrawing.

Referring to the School Board's surplus of \$12,000, Mr. Pattullo stated that in direct violation of the School Act the retiring Council had used this amount for other purposes and were in all probability criminally liable. The speaker said he would use every effort to work in harmony with both the Provincial and Dominion governments, the G. T. P. Railway and all financial organizations whose assistance the city might desire.

Mr. Pattullo appealed to the audience to elect not only himself but men who, though they might have reasonable differences, could work harmoniously with him, so that the city might have a strong, efficient government for 1913. Instead of having half a dozen men on the civic pay roll with soft jobs, there would be a permanent pay roll of several hundred. "Now is the time to think," he said, "and I want you to think tomorrow in the shape of your vote."

#### BALKAN ALLIES ARE FIRM TURKEY MUST ACCEPT TERMS

IN DEFERENCE TO WISH OF POWERS MAY WITHHOLD RESUMPTION OF HOSTILITIES FOR A FEW DAYS LONGER—THE BALKANS FOR THE BALKAN PEOPLE.

(Special to Daily News.)  
London, Jan. 15.—The Balkan nations wish the world to know that they have not weakened in their determination to resume hostilities unless Turkey accepts quickly the terms they have submitted to her. In deference, however, to the wishes of the powers, they may withhold execution of their resolve a few days longer than seemed likely yesterday. They will adhere to their doctrine of the Balkans for the Balkan people.

#### A CANADIAN PARCELS POST MAY SOON BE ESTABLISHED

THE QUESTION WAS DISCUSSED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY—DEFINITE ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE DURING PRESENT SESSION

(Special to Daily News.)  
Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Discussion in connection with the establishment of a parcels post for Canada, similar to that which has just gone into effect in the United States, occupied the time of the House of Commons at today's session. Hon. L. P. Pelletier, postmaster-general, presented a statement of the claims that had been advanced by the department favoring the establishment of the system. He said that he would probably have a definite announcement concerning the matter to make during the session. The House rose at 6 p.m.

#### AMUSING VAUDEVILLE SHOW AT THE EMPRESS LAST NIGHT

MAYOR NEWTON HAS AT LAST SHOWN ABILITY—PROVES HIMSELF A VAUDEVILLE MANAGER OF NO MEAN ORDER—MINISTER OF FINANCE DANCED A HORNIPIPE.

Mayor Newton's vaudeville show at the Empress Theatre last evening proved him to be a showman of no small ability. Comforting warmth, free cigars, crashing music, with chances of possibly a rough house, caused every habitue of the saloons and pool rooms in the city to forsake their usual haunts and roll up and shout for Newton. Opening with the bagpipes, to which the venerable finance minister danced a hornpipe to thunders of applause, Mayor Newton, himself the top liner of the evening's bill, followed and performed his well known special turn with all his accustomed nerve and histrionic ability. An amusing moving picture film followed. Alderman Montgomery, the idol of the Gods, was never seen to better advantage than in an original monologue, entitled "Class Against Class." The audience was in ecstasies and Showman Newton waved his arms and spurred the ushers on to pass the cigars around faster. (Deafening cheers.) The band again burst forth with redoubled vigor and another picture was cast upon the screen. Alderman Dybhavn, in the character of an honest real estate man, next entertained the audience. A song by Mr. Fletcher, which was loudly applauded, was followed by the star turn by Alderman Douglas, the financial wizard. Never before was the veteran in such great form. He was a revelation, fairly capturing the house. As an encore he gave a domestic sketch entitled "I am the man who can turn out the stuff." Mr. McClellan again came forward and trod a measure to the sweet strains of the bagpipes, which was vociferously applauded.

#### CANADIAN CENSUS EVERY FIVE YEARS

Is Recommendation of the Inter-Departmental Commission to the House of Commons.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Ottawa, Jan. 15.—The report of the inter-departmental commission, laid before the House today, recommends taking the census of the Dominion every five years.

Mr. A. M. Finley, who arrived a short while ago to take up his residence in the city as the travelling representative of Kelly, Douglas & Co., was joined yesterday by his wife and two children, who arrived from Vancouver on the Prince Rupert. Accompanying them was Mr. W. G. Finley, the former's brother, who intends to settle permanently in this city.

#### Loyal Order of Moose.

The lodge will meet in the K. of P. Hall Thursday, the 16th inst., at 8 o'clock, when the new officers for the present year will be installed. A grand smoker will also be given and a good rally of members should be in attendance. 10-13  
J. D. MEIKLE, Secy.

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**LIBERAL ASSOCIATION.**  
The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association, for the purpose of electing officers, will be held on the evening of Thursday, Jan. 23rd, 1913, in the K. of P. Hall, Helgeson Block. 3071f  
P. W. ANDERSON, Sec.-Treas.

**Daughters of the Empire Dance.**  
The next in the series of dances given by the Daughters of the Empire will be held in McIntyre Hall on Friday evening, Jan. 17th. Single tickets may be obtained at Orme's Second Ave. drug store. 11-13