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## PETITION.

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*To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia:*

The humble petition of the undersigned residents of the Province of British Columbia, trading in the said Province as merchants, lumbermen, mechanics, and others, sheweth:—

1. That your petitioners view with pleasure the introduction of a measure into your Honourable House which has for its object the re-enacting of a law similar in character to the "Mechanics Lien Act, 1888," which your petitioners are of opinion was the result of many years of experience, and which, prior to its repeal, had received construction in both our Courts and those of the other Provinces of Canada.

2. We view with pleasure that, under the "Mechanics' Lien Act" before the House, labourers and workmen are preferred to all others to the extent of one month's wages.

3. We trust your Honourable Body will be pleased to pass the Act, now before the House, in its present condition, as we are sure such an Act will give even-handed justice to all those who are engaged in the building trade.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

MUIRHEAD & MANN,	Victoria, B.C.
TAYLOR MILL Co. (Ld.),	"
SAYWARD MILL & LUMBER Co.,	"
and 81 others.	

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A similar petition was received from Vancouver, signed by The British Columbia Mills, Timber, and Trading Co. and 56 others.

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A similar petition was received from New Westminster, signed by The Brunette Saw-Mill Co. (Ld.) and 12 others.

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A similar petition was received from New Westminster, signed by Turnbull & Working and 7 others.

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