No. 53.

PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia in Parliament assembled:

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The humble petition of the "British Columbia Southern Railway Company," a body corporate having its head office at the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, showeth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of having passed an Act of your Honourable House, declaring that under and by virtue of three certain grants of water rights dated the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1897, signed by W. J. Goepel, Acting Gold Commissioner, in favour of F. Aug. Heinze, and another grant of water rights dated the 30th day of March, A. D. 1898, signed by O. G. Dennis, Gold Commissioner, in favour of the British Columbia Smelting and Refining Company, all of which were subsequently assigned by the said F. Aug. Heinze and the British Columbia Smelting and Refining Company to Messrs. Richard B. Angus and Thomas G. Shaughnessy and by them assigned to your petitioners; that your petitioners are entitled to have, hold, exercise and enjoy all and singular the rights, powers and privileges which your petitioners would be entitled to if they had been incorporated as a power company under Part IV. of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897," and had obtained under the said Part IV., of the said Act, records of said water.

Your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable House will be pleased to enact accordingly.

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

Dated at Montreal this 13th day of December, A. D. 1900.

British Columbia Southern Ry. Co. T. G. Shaughnessy,

T. G. SHAUGHNESSY,

President.

H. CAMPBELL OSWALD, Secretary.

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