
PETITION.

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

The petition of John Nicolson Muir, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, sheweth :—

1. That your petitioner applied to the Board of Examiners for granting Teachers' Certificates, in each of the years 1891, 1892 and 1893, and though he has furnished satisfactory proof of good moral character and ability to teach, yet he has failed to get either the certificate or the reason for its refusal :

2. That your petitioner is unable to obtain any reason for the refusal of his certificate, in a court of law, on account of the latter clause of section 56 of the "Public School Act, 1891," which was introduced that year and which reads as follows : "and satisfy the Board of Examiners that he or she is a fit and proper person to be granted a certificate":

3. That your petitioner, on account of not being able to get the reason for its refusal, is not in a position to know what to do in order to avoid failure the next year :

4. That your petitioner, in this way, has been deprived of the means of earning a living during the past four years :

5. That several Boards of School Trustees have desired the services of your petitioner as their teacher, but are deprived therefrom on account of said clause of said section 56 of the "Public School Act":

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that your Honourable Body may be pleased to repeal the said clause of said section 56 of the "Public School Act":

And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c., &c.

Dated at Victoria, this 1st day of February, 1894.

JOHN N. MUIR.

VICTORIA, B. C. :

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