PETITION.

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

The humble petition of the undersigned residents of Fairview, in the Osoyoos Division of Yale District, sheweth as follows :

That whereas certain persons are now applying to your Honourable Body for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purposes as specified in the following notice in the British Columbia Gazette :---

"Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to establish water-works and supply water for mining, domestic, manufacturing, fire, and other purposes to the inhabitants, corporations, mines, mills, manufactories, and all other works of the Town of Fairview, in the Osoyoos Division of Yale District, in the Province of British Columbia, and of the surrounding district within a radius of seven miles from the present Post office of Fairview aforesaid, and to lay pipes and erect flumes for the conveyance and supply of water to the said town and radius; and also to supply power, light and heat by compressed air and electricity to the inhabitants, corporations, mines, mills, manufactories and all other works of said town and radius for said purposes; and also to construct, maintain and operate tramway and telephone systems in the said radius, and to extend the said systems to other districts contiguous thereto; and also to erect, lay, construct and maintain all such works, bridges, tracks, roads, subways, buildings, flumes, dams, raceways, poles, pipes, wires, cables, structures, and appliances, as may be necessary to fully and completely carry out the purposes of the Company; and also to have the right to enter and expropriate lands and to appropriate, take, use, and divert, so much of the waters (not exceeding five thousand inches) of the Okanagan River, at some convenient point or points at "The Rapids" on said river, about three miles above the bridge across said river at Fairview, as may be required for all or any of the said purposes of the Company; and to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

"Dated at Victoria the 15th day of December, A. D. 1896.

"ARCHER MARTIN, "Solicitor for the Applicants."

And, whereas, your petitioners believe that such works and enterprise would materially assist in the development of the said district, your petitioners, therefore, humbly request that your Honourable House will favourably entertain the application of the promoters of said Company for the purposes above recited.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

R. L. CAWSTON, Stock-raiser. T. ELLIOT, Merchant. Fred. GWATKIN, Miner. And 67 others.

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