
PETITION.

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

GENTLEMEN,—

The prayer of the undersigned petitioners, who are largely interested in the development of the resources of the District of Alberni, humbly sheweth :—

1. That there are situated in the District of Alberni a large number of quartz veins which have been pronounced by competent authority to be rich in gold and silver, and that we are desirous of having facilities placed within reach of working the said quartz veins economically and expeditiously.

2. That many of these veins are so situated that without the aid of electricity the rock can only be treated after having been packed or wheeled many miles, a plan that would prove so expensive as to render the working of the veins unprofitable.

3. That the present water supply of the Town of Alberni is obtained from wells, and that the supply is both inadequate and unwholesome, besides being, in the dry season, unreliable.

4. That your petitioners would respectfully urge on your Honourable Body the importance and necessity of passing the Bill now before your Honourable House, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Alberni Water, Electric and Telephone Company, Limited," provided the said Bill does not confer any monopolistic powers on the Company proposed to be incorporated therein, and that the scope of the said Bill be confined to the said District of Alberni, instead of within a radius of 25 miles of the present Town of Alberni.

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

MINERAL CREEK GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED,
J. H. SIMPSON,
WM. K. LEIGHTON,
and ten others.

[A similar petition from Victoria, signed by twenty-seven persons.]

[A similar petition from Vancouver and Victoria, signed by nineteen persons.]