PETITION.

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

The petition of the undersigned, William Templeton and William L. Nicol, both of the City of Vancouver, John T. Bethune, of the City of Victoria, humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of having a Company incorporated at the present sitting of the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point of Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster; thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rossland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway or portion of a railway, either as a branch of or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the Coast Line, between the International Boundary Line and Point Garry, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable House will be pleased to sanction an Act for the purposes above mentioned.

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

Dated this 17th day of February, 1897 A. D.

W. TEMPLETON,
W. L. NICOL,
JOHN T. BETHUNE.