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# PETITION.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURABLE BODY:

Whereas we, the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Vancouver, recognizing the sacred observance of the Lord's Day to be of Divine appointment for all ages, and intended for man's highest good, that history also bears testimony to the declaration of God's word, that blessings follow the faithful honouring of the Lord's Day, and at the same time just as truly the punishment as a result of its desecration, view with alarm and deep sorrow the flagrant violation of the laws of God in this City, and we believe that throughout the Province of British Columbia all manner of traffic is carried on, all kinds of amusements are tolerated, selling and buying, transportation by land and sea, steam-boat excursions, hunting and fishing are carried on with impunity, and in open defiance of God's command, thereby dishonouring God and offering violence to the consciences of the Christian community.

And whereas we have no civil or Provincial law regulating the due observance of the Lord's Day, the old English being almost inoperative, and the penalties so trifling that it fails to meet the case.

Resolved, that we hereby humbly pray that the House of Assembly do enact and place upon the Statute books of this Province a law providing for better Sunday observance.

Trusting that this petition may have your favourable consideration, we, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c., &c.

M. J. BROWN, *President*,  
E. McCRANEY, *Secretary*.

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