No. 11. 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 John Haley McDonald, Alexander Charleson, and Joseph Theodore De Pencier showeth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of obtaining an Act of Incorporation to build, equip, maintain, and operate a line or lines of railway of standard gauge, to be operated by steam, electricity, or any other motive power.

And for the purpose of carrying logs, timber, and lumber, goods and merchandise, but not passengers, from Menzies Bay, Vancouver Island, by the most convenient route, either north or south of Trout Lake, approximately to the junction of Salmon River and Memekay River, and from the said Menzies Bay by the most convenient route to the point approximately where the Quinsan River touches the south-east corner of Lot Eighty-one (81), near the 50th parallel of north latitude.

And with power to convert the proposed railway into a regular railway for all classes of passengers and traffic.

And with power to acquire, build, operate, and maintain wharves and docks in connection with the proposed railway.

And to build, acquire, own, equip, and maintain steam and other vessels, and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters.

And with power to build, equip, operate, and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to transmit messages for commercial purposes and to charge tolls therefor.

And with all such other rights, powers, and privileges as are usually conferred upon a railway company.

Your petitioners, therefore, pray that your Honourable House will be graciously pleased to permit a Bill to be introduced into the Legislative Assembly for the purposes aforesaid.

And your petitioners further pray that it may be made lawful for His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to grant to your petitioners a certain portion of the foreshore of Menzies Bay, Vancouver Island.

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

JOHN HALEY McDonald, JOSEPH THEODORE DE PENCIER, ALEXANDER CHARLESON.