

No. 59.

## PETITION.

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*To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia :*

The petition of James Dunsmuir, James Albert Lindsay, Leonard Hollis Solly, Henry Kendell Prior, all of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, humbly sheweth :—

Your petitioners pray that a special Act of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia may be passed for the following purposes, namely:—To incorporate a Company under the name of the Comox and Cape Scott Railway Company, with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate either a standard or narrow gauge railway, for the purpose of carrying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point in Wellington District; thence northerly to a point in Comox District, Vancouver Island, situate on or near the 50th parallel of latitude, on or near to the East Coast of Vancouver Island; thence northerly, through Sayward and Rupert Districts, to Cape Scott, Vancouver Island, or to some other point at or near to the north end of Vancouver Island; with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines to the coast on either side of Vancouver Island, and to other points, and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, and ferries; and to build, own and maintain wharves, docks, sawmills, and coal bunkers; and with power to build, equip, own, maintain and operate steam and other vessels and boats and to operate the same on any navigable waters connecting with the said railway line or branches thereof; and with power to build, own, equip and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to carry on a general express business; and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity, and any kind of motive power; and with power to acquire water rights, and to construct dams and flumes for improving and increasing the water privileges; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any Government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies corporate; and with power to lease and to connect and make traffic and other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, now or hereafter to be incorporated; and with power to make wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all persons using and on all freight passing over the said railway, and such roads, branches, ferries, wharves and vessels built or owned by the Company, whether built or owned before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges as may be necessary or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, or any of them.

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

Dated the 11th day of February, 1901.

JAMES DUNSMUIR,  
J. A. LINDSAY,  
LEONARD H. SOLLY,  
H. K. PRIOR.

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