

No. 5.

## PETITION.

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

The petition of the undersigned, C. R. Hosmer and H. S. Holt, both of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, and Joseph Benjamin McArthur, of the City of Rossland, in the Province of British Columbia, humbly sheweth :—

1. That it is in the interest of the public and particularly the owners of mineral claims situate upon Red Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining Division of British Columbia, that the said Red Mountain should be opened up by the construction through the same of a tunnel, running from a point on the Columbia River, between the Town of Trail and Murphy Creek, to a point at or near the "California" Mineral Claim. The construction of such tunnel will be of incalculable benefit and advantage to the mines now being opened up and developed, situate upon the said Red Mountain, as it will afford a means of draining the underground workings of the said mines, also affording air to the same, and of providing a convenient and inexpensive way of conveying ore from the underground workings of the said mines to points of shipment.

2. That your petitioners are desirous of being incorporated as a Company to run, construct, excavate and maintain a tunnel through and under Red Mountain as aforesaid, and for the purposes of the undertaking to run exploring and branch tunnels from the main tunnel ; also to sink or raise mining, working or air shafts along the line or course from the tunnel or branches. To explore for minerals by the use of drills, shafts or excavations. To construct, maintain and operate, by electricity or otherwise, tramways and roadways for the purpose of carrying ores, or as may be otherwise required. To erect and maintain crushing, electrical, hydraulic, concentrating or smelting works or other plants, and to deal in the products of the same. To supply, sell and dispose of light or power and to erect and place any electric line, cable or other electrical apparatus, above or below ground, along, over and across streets, bridges and lands. To erect, construct and maintain any dam, raceway, flume or other contrivance or plan for diverting and utilizing water, and to construct all works necessary to obtain and make water power available. And to enter into any agreements and make contracts with persons or companies owning any interest in mining lands or otherwise, and to receive compensation for the use of the tunnels or works of the Company, for drainage or other benefits derived from the tunnels or branches. To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire and hold patents, machinery, lands, premises, buildings and all real and personal property necessary to carry out the objects of the Company, and with all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges as may be necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, or any of them.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable Body will be pleased to pass an Act incorporating the "Red Mountain Tunnel Company" for the purposes aforesaid, and conferring upon them all necessary powers in that behalf.

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

C. R. HOSMER.  
H. S. HOLT.  
J. B. MCARTHUR.

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