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# PETITION.

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

The petition of the Right Reverend Paul Durieu, O. M. I., Roman Catholic Bishop of New Westminster, B. C., humbly sheweth :—

That your petitioner believes it to be desirable that your petitioner, as the Roman Catholic Bishop of New Westminster, British Columbia, and his successors in office, should be created a Corporation Sole, with perpetual succession, under the name and style of "The Catholic Bishop of New Westminster," with power to acquire and hold lands; and that all lands, real estate, tenements and hereditaments hereinbefore granted, conveyed or devised to, or which are now vested in your petitioner, or which shall hereafter be granted, conveyed or devised to the Bishop of New Westminster, shall be vested in the said Corporation Sole, subject to any trusts affecting the same, with power, subject to all existing trusts, to sell, convey, lease, mortgage, or otherwise deal with the same or any part thereof.

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that your honourable body will be pleased, during the present Session, to pass an Act creating your petitioner, the present Bishop of New Westminster, and his successors in office, a Corporation Sole.

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

PAUL DURIEU, R. C. Bishop.