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No. 15.

PETITION.

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

The humble petition of Robert Taylor Williams of the City of Victoria, sheweth:—

That your petitioner is desirous of incorporating a Company to construct, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway from a point near Fort Steele to a point near where the Kootenay River crosses the International Boundary Line; with power to equip, construct and maintain branch lines, and to build, own, equip and maintain wharves and docks, steam and other vessels, crafts and boats in connection therewith, and operate the same and generally carry on the business of transportation, with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat or power, with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, concessions, aids and privileges from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies; and to levy and collect tolls from all persons using the said railway or its branches, or its docks, wharves or vessels of the Company; with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, and with all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that your Honourable House will be pleased to pass an Act incorporating "South-east Kootenay Railway Company" with the rights, powers and privileges above set out.

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

R. T. WILLIAMS.

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