No. 10.

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 the undersigned, William Henry Barker and Robert James Ker, both of the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, showeth:—

That your petitioners are the President and Secretary of the British Columbia Packers Association, of Jersey City, a Company incorporated under and pursuant to the laws of the State of New Jersey, one of the United States of America, and duly registered as a Company in the Province of British Columbia under and pursuant to the "Companies Act, 1897."

That the business carried on by the said Company is chiefly that of salmon-packers and fish-curers, and nearly all the property and assets of the said Company are situate in the Province of British Columbia.

Your petitioners are desirous of being incorporated as a joint-stock company, under and pursuant to the laws of the Province of British Columbia, for the purpose, among other things, of acquiring all the property and assets and assuming all the obligations of the said British Columbia Packers' Association, of Jersey City.

And also with all the rights, powers, and privileges now held and enjoyed by the said New Jersey Company, and with such obligations as are imposed by the laws of British Columbia.

Together with the right to use any of the funds of the Company proposed to be incorporated to purchase preference shares from the holders, or to redeem the same by lot, and generally conferring such other rights, powers, and privileges upon the Company as may be deemed expedient.

Your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable House will be graciously pleased to permit a Bill to be introduced into the Legislative Assembly to incorporate a Company with the rights, powers, and privileges aforesaid, and such other rights, powers, and privileges as may be deemed expedient.

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

WILLIAM HENRY BARKER, ROBERT JAMES KER.