

No. 10.

PETITION.

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

The petition of the undersigned, the "British Columbia Telephones, Limited," a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1862 to 1893 (Imperial), with a capital of £100,000, humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous that an Act be passed confirming and conferring upon them the powers of the said Company, as the same appear in their Memorandum of Association, and giving them power to acquire and take over all rights, powers, privileges, franchises and assets held by the "New Westminster and Burrard Inlet Telephone Company, Limited," and "The Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company," the entire stock of both Companies, excepting shares in each Company, now being owned and held by your petitioners, and vesting the same in them, and to assume the liabilities entered into by the aforesaid Companies, and for conferring upon them the powers to purchase, lease, take over, or otherwise acquire the rights, privileges, franchises, powers and assets of any company in any part of the Province of British Columbia having similar objects to them; and to amalgamate with such other company or companies, and to operate and carry on the business of the aforesaid company or companies so acquired, or to be acquired; and for the conferring upon them of all such powers as may be necessary to fully and completely carry on and operate the works aforesaid, or any of them, and incidental and conducive to the attainment of the above objects, or any of them, and of other powers.

Wherefore, your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable House may be pleased to pass an Act for the purposes above mentioned.

Dated this sixth day of December, 1898.

The Common Seal of British Columbia Telephones, Limited, was hereunto affixed in the presence of

[L.S.]

E. GRAY, *Chairman.*
JOSEPH WHEATLEY, *Director.*
W. H. HUGHES, *Secretary.*

I hereby certify that Wilfred Horsfall Hughes, personally known to me, appeared before me and acknowledged to me that he is the Secretary of British Columbia Telephones, Limited, and that he is the person who subscribed his name to the annexed instrument as Secretary of the said British Columbia Telephones, Limited, and affixed the seal of the said British Columbia Telephones, Limited, to the said instrument, that he was first duly authorised to subscribe his name as aforesaid, and to affix the said seal to the said instrument.

IN TESTIMONY whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at Huddersfield, in the County of York, this sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

[L.S.]

CHARLES MILLS, *Notary Public,*
Huddersfield, England.

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