

No. 9.

PETITION.

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

The humble petition of John Dinham Molson, banker; Arthur Richard Babington Hearn, banker; Gustavus Schiller Flindt, clerk; and George Smith McCarter, barrister-at-law, all of Revelstoke, in the Province of British Columbia, and Ernest Charles Erbsloh, of London, England, gentleman, sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of incorporating a Company to be known as the "Big Bend Transportation Company, Limited," with power to build, purchase, own, equip and maintain steam and other vessels and boats and to operate the same from some point at or near Revelstoke, on the Columbia River, in a northerly direction to the junction of the Canoe River with the said Columbia River, and thence along the said Canoe River northwards to the 53rd parallel of latitude, or elsewhere within the Province of British Columbia, and with power to construct and operate tramways in connection therewith, and with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary bridges, roads, ways and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines along the routes traversed by the said steamers in connection with the said tramways and branches; and to generate electricity for the supplying of heat, light, and power, as well for their own use as to sell and supply to the public; and with power to carry on the business of a mining, smelting and refining Company, and to construct, equip, operate and turn to account or otherwise dispose of mines, smelters and refineries; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any Government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies; and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such lines of steamers, tramways, ferries, wharves and vessels built by the Company, and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat and other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable House will be pleased, at the present session, to pass an Act incorporating the said Company with the powers and for the purposes aforesaid.

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

Dated at Revelstoke, B. C., this 15th day of December, A.D. 1898.

J. D. MOLSON.
A. R. B. HEARN.
G. SCHILLER FLINDT.
GEO. S. MCCARTER.
E. C. ERBSLOH.

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