## No. 14A. PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia:

The petition of George William Mitchell, of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, gentleman, Erastus Corning Hawkins, of the City of Seattle, in the State of Washington, one of the United States of America, civil engineer, and James Henry Greer, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, agent, humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners desire to be incorporated as a Company, with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge, from a point at or near Log Cabin, on the White Pass, in the Province of British Columbia, by the most feasible route to a point at or near the Taku Arm of Tagish Lake, thence to Atlin City, on the shores of Atlin Lake, and thence to Telegraph Creek, on the Stickine River, all in the Province of British Columbia; with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, ways, bridges and ferries; and to build, own, and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith; and to build, equip, own and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters within the Province of British Columbia connecting with the said railway line; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway works; and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power; 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 roads, railway ferries, wharves and vessels; and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat, or other companies; and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable House may be pleased to pass an Act to constitute your petitioners a body corporate with the powers, privileges and rights above mentioned.

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

Dated the 20th day of January A. D. 1898.

GEO. W. MITCHELL, E. C. HAWKINS, J. H. GREER.