## PETITION.

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

The humble petition of John McDowell, of the City of Victoria, sheweth:

That your Petitioner was employed as a carpenter by the Government of British Columbia for thirty-three years.

That your Petitioner was discharged from the service of the Government in September, 1898, through no fault on his part.

That your Petitioner, during the long period that he was in the employ of the Government, discharged his duties faithfully.

And that your Petitioner, owing to his age, being now in his seventy-seventh year, finds it impossible to procure work.

Therefore, your Petitioner humbly prays that your Honourable House take into consideration the long and honourable service rendered to the Province by your Petitioner.

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

JOHN McDowell,

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