
PETITION.

The Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia:

The petition of the undersigned residents and property owners within the boundaries of the proposed "City of Grand Forks," humbly sheweth :—

Whereas an Act to incorporate the "City of Grand Forks," is being brought before your Honourable Body, for consideration at the present Session of the Legislature.

And, whereas, we believe that to make such law is premature and not in the best interests of the large majority of the bonâ fide property owners within the limits sought to be included in the proposed incorporation.

And, whereas, there are many reasons why the Act should not be passed at the present Session, of which we submit the following :—

1. Your petitioners, the owners of a large proportion of the property asked to be included within the incorporation, have never been consulted in the matter, and are not aware that the public have been taken into the confidence of the few persons who are seeking this legislation.

2. There are only about seventy-five buildings within the proposed limits, while the actual resident population does not exceed three hundred.

3. Grand Forks, from its central location, fine climate, pure water, pleasant, healthful surroundings, and wonderful resources, will, we believe, grow rapidly to become a place of importance, if left unfettered and free from the burden of taxation until population and improvement warrant such action.

We, your petitioners, therefore beg that your Honourable House will not pass the Act asking such incorporation, at the present Session.

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

Grand Forks, February 23rd, 1897.

CHARLES VAN NESS,
NEIL MCCALLUM,
CHARLES HAY,
And 38 others.

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