PETITION.

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

The petition of the Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company humbly sheweth :----

1. That your petitioner is a Company duly incorporated by Act of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia passed in the year 1891, and intituled "The Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company's Act, 1891."

2. That your petitioner has since its incorporation carried on business in the said Province by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by the said Act.

3. That owing to the extension of your petitioner's business in constructing, erecting and equipping long lines of telephone outside towns and cities so as to meet the requirements of the public, it is desirable to amend the Schedule to the said Act relating to the tariff of charges provided for in said Act.

4. That the development of the different resources of the Province give rise to the necessity for the prompt construction of telephone lines for the rapid transaction of business, and your petitioner therefore, desiring to meet the requirements of the public, respectfully pray that they may be permitted to erect and construct lines anywhere on the mainland of the Province of British Columbia.

Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that Your Honourable Body may be pleased to pass an Act for the purposes aforesaid.

And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray, etc.

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H. W. KENT, Vice-President.

W. F. SALSBURY, Secretary.

Dated at Vancouver, B. C., this 1st day of February, A.D. 1896.

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