

No. 2.

PETITION.

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

The petition of the undersigned Harold E. Forster, of Firlands, B. C., Rancher; William Gilbert Mitchell Innes, of Peterboro, B. C., Mining Operator; Henry George Parson, of Golden, B. C., Merchant; Frederick W. Aylmer, of Golden, B. C., Surveyor; and Thomas McNaught, of Golden, B. C., Financial Agent, humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of applying to your Honourable Body for an Act incorporating a company under the name of "The East Kootenay Telephone Company, Limited," with authority to construct, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of telephone, electrical works, power houses, generating plant, and all such other appliances as are necessary and proper for the generating of electricity or other power and transmitting the same within and throughout the District of East Kootenay and the various townsites in the said District, as the Company from time to time determines, and to construct, maintain and operate the same along the sides of and across or under any highway, streets, public bridges, or any such place in the said District as the Company from time to time determines; and to construct, erect and maintain such and so many poles and other works and devices as the Company deems necessary for making, completing, supporting, using, working, operating and maintaining a system of communication by telephone or electrical works, power houses, generating plant and other appliances, and to open or break up any part or parts of the said highways or streets as often as the Company, its agents, officers, workmen or servants think proper, and for the purposes of the undertaking to purchase, acquire, or lease, and hold, and sell, dispose of or surrender lands, buildings or tenements within the limits aforesaid, and to purchase or lease for any term of years, any telephone line established, or to be established, in British Columbia, connecting, or to be connected, with the lines which the Company may construct, and to purchase or lease for any term of years, the right of any company to construct and maintain any such telephone line, and to amalgamate with or lease its line or lines, or any portion or portions thereof, to any company possessing as proprietor any line of telephone communication connecting, or to be connected, with the said Company's line or lines, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any person or body corporate, and with all such other powers as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the said objects, or any of them.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable Body will be pleased to pass an Act for the purposes above mentioned.

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

Dated this 21st day of December, A. D. 1899.

H. E. FORSTER,
W. GILBERT MITCHELL INNES,
H. G. PARSON,
F. W. AYLMER,
THOS. MCNAUGHT.