## No. 13.

## PETITION.

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

The petition of the undersigned, John Irving, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, Master Mariner; John Andrew Mara, of the City of Kamloops, in the said Province, Merchant; and Frank Stillman Barnard, of the said City of Victoria, Gentleman, humbly sheweth:—

1. That it is in the interest of the public that the railway as hereinafter described should

be constructed.

2. Your petitioners are desirous of being incorporated as a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge, to be operated by steam, electricity or any other motive power, for the carrying of passengers and freight from a point on the Kitimaat Inlet, in Coast District, Province of British Columbia, by the most convenient and feasible route to a point at or near Hazelton, on the Skeena River, in the District of Cassiar, Province aforesaid; and to build and operate tramways in connection therewith; with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary bridges, roads, ways, ferries and other works; and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith; and with power to build, acquire, own, equip and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and operate the same on any navigable waters within the Province; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to generate electricity for supply of light, heat and power and for all and every other purpose mentioned in sections 80, 81, 82 and 83 of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897," and to do everything necessary and incidental to the carrying out of all or any of the objects referred to in said sections; and to build, own and maintain saw-mills and wood pulp mills; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or 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, railways, tramways, ferries, wharves and vessels owned or operated by the Company; and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and for all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges in that behalf.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable Body will be pleased to pass an Act incorporating them for the purposes aforesaid, and conferring upon them the

necessary powers in that behalf.

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

Dated at Victoria, the 10th day of July, A.D. 1900.

J. A. MARA.

F. S. BARNARD.

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