## PETITION.

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

The humble petition of Frederick E. Ward, of the City of Spokane, in the State of Washington, one of the United States of America, sheweth:—

That your petitioner is desirous of incorporating a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a railway from a point at or near Ashcroft or Kamloops, or some point between same, thence to Barkerville, British Columbia, with powers to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines therefrom to all mines lying in the vicinity thereof; and also with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines, and to build wharves and docks in connection therewith, together with the powers of acquiring lands, privileges, bonuses or other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other persons or bodies, and to make traffic and other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and for all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that your Honourable Body will be pleased to pass an Act to carry out the above-mentioned purposes.

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

Dated the 12th day of February, 1897.

F. E. WARD.

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