PETITION.

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

We, the undersigned, respectfully beg to represent to your honourable body that the law pertaining to the closing of saloons, and to a certain extent hotels, from the hour of 11 of the clock on Saturday night until the hour of one o'clock on Monday morning is a great inconvenience to those who wish to have refreshments during those closed hours, besides being a loss to those engaged in the business of saloon and hotel-keeping, and we may say, in our opinion, does not contribute to the good conduct of the community generally. Therefore we ask that you will be pleased to amend the law so that the closed hours in this particular shall be from six o'clock on Sunday morning until one o'clock in the afternoon, and from 6 o'clock p.m. to 9 o'clock p.m. of the same day, and your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Victoria, April the 2nd, 1894. Heury F. W. Behnsen, G. C. Sauer, C. Morley, S. O'Brien, Wm. Scott, Peter Steele, J. McCandlish, Ross J. Ferguson, Savage & Dale, A. Phillips, Phillips Bros, Henry Harris, Tribe & Burton, Wasstock Bros., Thos. Flewin, Wm. McKeon & Son, V. Jensen, H. Siehenbaum, H. White, P. T. Patton, Thos. E. Tugwell, Wm. Harrison, M. C. Brown, C. F. Jackson, J. R. Radke, Robt. Dudgeon, Redon & Hartnagel, M. Powers, Petrie & Jackson, T. J. Jackman, W. H. Flewin, Wishart & Meldram, Thos. Garvin, Wm. Jensen,

J. B. Jones, Wm. Croft, R. Borthwick, Tolmie & Stewart, Stephen Jones, J. Wriglesworth, J. Draut, Saml. Clay, W. Field, Switzer & McCluskey, A. Schnoter, Fred. Weldon, Phil. J. Hall, Mgr. The Wilson, James W. Meldram, W. G. Stevenson, Joseph Sauer, John H. Gaerder, Loewen & Erb, R. Ritter, William White, Bob Sloan, Geo. W. Frye, A. P. Briggs, C. P. Leahy, R. A. Berryman, H. M. Fox, George Walker, Andrew Rusta, Ben. Carter, H. T. Cole, Simon Leiser, C. N. Gowen, Geo. S. Russell, E. W. Spencer.

VICTORIA, B. C.: Printed by RICHARD WOLFENDEN, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty,