

No. 6.

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 humble petition of the Ladysmith Lumber Company, Limited, sheweth:—

1. That your petitioner is a Company duly incorporated under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, authorised to carry on a general lumbering and manufacturing business.

2. That your petitioner is the owner of certain timber on Vancouver Island which it is impossible to conveniently or economically cut, operate or market without the aid of a railway, and that it is in the interest of your petitioner and of the public that such a railway be constructed, commencing at a point on the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway about five hundred yards north of the Comox Waggon Road crossing, in Newcastle Townsite, Vancouver Island; thence following the old East Wellington Railway right-of-way, or nearly so, until it reaches the Government gazetted waggon road in Mountain District; thence in a north-easterly direction for two miles, more or less.

3. That your petitioner is desirous of being empowered to lay out, construct, maintain, equip and operate such railway and branches thereto for the period of twelve years, together with all telegraph and telephone lines, etc., necessary or convenient for the proper and safe working of the same, and to acquire and receive from any Government, corporations or persons grants of land, rights-of-way, money bonuses, privileges or other assistance in aid of the Company's undertaking, and to make arrangements with other railway companies for the construction and operation of the said railway, and for all rights, powers and privileges necessary, usual or incidental to the same.

Wherefore, your petitioner humbly prays that your honourable body will be pleased to pass an Act for the purposes aforesaid, and conferring upon it the necessary powers in that behalf.

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

Dated the 3rd day of January, A.D. 1908.

[L.S.]

THE LADYSMITH LUMBER COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOHN W. COBURN,

President and Managing Director.

GEO. E. PRICHARD,

Secretary.

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