No. 8.

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 the undersigned sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of incorporating a company for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating a line of railway from some point on the northern boundary of the Province, at or near the point of intersection of the Dalton Trail; thence southerly by the most direct and feasible route to some point at or near the Indian village of Kluckwan, in the District of Cassiar, or to that point on the boundary line between British Columbia and the United States which is nearest to the shores of Lynn Canal, and with the following powers: -To build, construct, operate, and own elevators, wharves, docks, warehouses, bridges, and coal bunkers; to carry on a general express and transportation business; to build and operate branch lines, to be operated by any motive power; to build and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and its branches, and to acquire and expropriate lands, to receive bonuses, grants, and concessions from individuals, governments, municipalities, and other corporate bodies or persons; to build, construct, acquire, and operate ships, steamships, barges, or other water craft; to make traffic or other arrangements with other railway, steamship, or transportation companies; to build waggon roads and trails to be used in the construction of the said works, and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from the parties using, and on all freight or goods passing over, any such lines, roads, or trails built by the Company, whether built before or after the construction of the tramway, railway, telegraph or telephone lines; and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity, or any kind of motive power; and for all other powers, rights, and privileges which may be conducive to the attainment of the above objects, or any of them.

Your petitioners therefore pray that your Honourable Body may be pleased to pass an Act incorporating "The Chilcat Pass Railway and Navigation Company," with the abovementioned powers.

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

Dated this 10th day of July, 1900.

JNO. IRVING, CHARLES W. RHODES, FRANK C. DAVIDGE, JAMES S. HARVEY, HAROLD B. ROBERTSON.