## No. 24.

## 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 obtaining an Act to incorporate a Company to build, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway, either standard or narrow gauge, from a point at or near Penticton, B. C., thence southerly by the most feasible route to a point on the southern boundary line of the Province of British Columbia; and also with power to equip, construct and maintain branch lines, and all necessary bridges, roads, ways and ferries; and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith; and to build, own, equip and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and operate the same on any navigable waters within the Province; and to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipal corporations, or other persons or bodies; and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using telegraph or telephone lines, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railways, tramways, ferries, wharves and vessels built by the Company; and with power to make traffic and other arrangements with railway, steamboat, or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Your petitioners, therefore, pray that your Honourable Body may be pleased to pass an Act granting to your petitioners the above powers.

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

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 20th day of January, 1906.

L. W. SHATFORD.