

No. 19.

PETITION.

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The Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled :

The Petition of the undersigned, the Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway Company, humbly sheweth :—

That whereas your petitioners were incorporated by an Act, being chapter 50 of the Statutes of 1900 ;

And whereas by chapter 40 of the Statutes of 1903, amending the said Act of Incorporation, it was provided that the undertaking of the Company should be completed on or before the 31st day of August, 1907 ;

And whereas it will be impossible for such undertaking to be completed before that date, and it is necessary that an Act should be obtained at the present Session of the Legislature for further extending the time for completion thereof ;

And whereas, under the Rules and Orders of your Honourable House relating to Private Bills, provision is made respecting the publication of notice and the time of presentation of petitions and Private Bills, which said Rules and Orders it is now impossible for your petitioners to fully comply with ;

And whereas it is of the utmost importance to your petitioners that the said petition should be considered by your Honourable House at its present Session ;

Wherefore, your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable House may be pleased to suspend Rules fifty-seven and fifty-nine, or others of the Rules and Orders relating to Private Bills, to allow of the introduction, at the present Session, of a Bill respecting the Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway.

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

Dated this 23rd day of March, A.D., 1907.

[L.S.]

THE PACIFIC NORTHERN AND OMINECA RAILWAY COMPANY,

By FRANK W. MORSE, *Vice-President.*HENRY PHILIPS, *Secretary.*

In presence of

D'ARCY TATE.

VICTORIA, B. C.:

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