
PETITION.

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

The humble petition of the Right Reverend John Nicholas Lemmens, Roman Catholic Bishop of Vancouver Island, sheweth :—

1. That the Roman Catholic Diocese of Vancouver Island has existed for upwards of thirty years. The Cathedral Church is at the City of Victoria.

2. The Diocese in this Province of British Columbia consists of Vancouver Island and other islands adjacent thereto.

3. That your petitioner, as such Bishop as aforesaid, has acquired, by purchase and otherwise, real estate and personal property in the Province of British Columbia.

4. That your petitioner's object is the establishing and the carrying on of missions, the erection and the carrying on of schools, colleges, churches orphanages, and hospitals.

5. That as such Bishop as aforesaid your petitioner has in operation in the Province of British Columbia several missions, schools, and churches, and proposes to establish and carry on others.

6. That your petitioner, as such Bishop as aforesaid, is desirous of being incorporated by Act of Parliament.

Your petitioner, therefore, humbly prays that your honourable Assembly will be pleased to pass an Act creating the present Roman Catholic Bishop, and his successors in office, a corporation sole, with power to hold land, and investing the said Corporation with the usual powers conferred on corporations of this character.

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

Dated at the City of Victoria this 10th day of February, 1892.

† J. M. LEMMENS,
Bishop, Vancouver Island.

VICTORIA, B. C. :

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