

No. 16.

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 undersigned sheweth :—

That your petitioner is desirous of incorporating a company for the purpose of constructing a railway from some point on the Skeena River, in the Province of British Columbia, to some point at or near the eastern boundary of the Province, with power to build branches, to be operated by any known motive power, to any mining or farming regions practicable in connection with the said railway ; also to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway, or any part thereof ; and to construct elevators, build wharves, docks, warehouses, smelters, refineries, concentrators, stamp-mills ; also to carry on a general mining and transportation business ; to build, construct, acquire and operate ships, steamships, barges or other water craft ; and to appropriate or otherwise acquire water power, rights and privileges.

Your petitioner therefore prays that your Honourable Body may be pleased to pass an Act granting to your petitioner the above powers.

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

Dated this 24th day of January, 1898.

CHAS. W. D. CLIFFORD.

VICTORIA, B. C. :

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