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# 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 petition of the British Columbia Dyking and Improvement Company, humbly sheweth:

1. That your petitioners were duly incorporated, under chapter 48, by your Honourable Body, in the fifty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, with power to dyke Townships number 16 (not including Matsqui Prairie), 19, 20, 22, and 23, in the District of New Westminster, against overflow from the Fraser River.

2. That a rival company are applying, at the present Session, to your Honourable Body for an Act to enable them to dyke the same lands.

3. That there is no necessity for two dykes.

4. That your petitioners have gone to great trouble and expense in making surveys and estimates of the proposed dyke, and in making surveys and estimates of the works necessary to protect the banks of the Luk-a-Kuk River against the waters of the Vedder Creek, when turned into the Luk-a-Kuk.

5. That it is the intention of your petitioners to prosecute the undertaking at an early date.

6. Your petitioners humbly submit that it would be unjust to grant any other Company a franchise, and thereby embarrass them in their financial arrangements for the carrying out of the work, which they are at present making.

Your petitioners, therefore, pray that your Honourable Body may be pleased to refuse any other Company or individual authority to dyke the Townships aforesaid.

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

Dated this third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

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D. MCGILLIVRAY, *President.*

W. J. PACE, *Secretary.*