## PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled:

The petition of Henry Coppenger Beeton, Adolph Drucker, and Charles Herbert Wilkin son, all of the City of London, England, and Ernest Edward Billinghurst, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, humbly sheweth:

That your petitioners are desirous of being incorporated as a Company for the following purposes:—

For the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a railway from a point on the South Boundary Line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degree of longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence Northerly and Westerly by the most feasible route to the North Boundary Line of British Columbia, with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines, and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and to construct telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said Railway and branch lines, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels; to take, and use water for generating electricity and other purposes; and to acquire rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities; and to make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies, corporations or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also with power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Your petitioners therefore pray that your Honourable Body will be pleased to pass an Act incorporating your petitioners with the powers and privileges aforesaid.

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

Dated the first day of April, 1897.

For H. C. Beeton, E. E. Billinghurst. For A. Drucker, E. E. Billinghurst.

> C. H. Wilkinson, by his attorney-in-fact, E. E. Billinghurst.

E. E. Billinghurst.