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No. 14.  
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 undersigned, Thomas Davis, Alfred Farmer and C. Bampfyld Daniell, humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of incorporating a Company to be called the "South-East Kootenay Railway Company," with power to build, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway of standard or narrow gauge, to be operated by steam, electricity or any other power, for the carrying of passengers, freight and express; commencing at a point on or near the Flathead River near the International Boundary Line; thence north by the most feasible route to a point at or near McGillivray, or Crow's Nest, British Columbia, on the Crow's Nest Pass Section of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company; with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines to any point within twenty miles from the main line of railway; also, to establish permanent sidetracks for collecting and distributing yards on said main line or on any of its branch lines; to construct, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines along the routes of the said railway and its branches or in connection therewith, and to transmit messages for commercial purposes; to generate electricity and to supply light, heat and power, and erect, construct, build and maintain the necessary buildings and works, and to generate any kind of power for the purposes aforesaid, or in connection therewith for reward; to connect with and enter into running arrangements with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company or any other railway situate near said proposed railway, or any part thereof; and to construct terminal sidings at any such connections; to receive from any Government, person, or body corporate, grants of land, money, bonuses, privileges, or other assistance in aid of the construction of the Company's undertaking, with power to own, use and operate water power convenient to the road for railway and other purposes, and to exercise such powers as are granted by Parts IV. and V. of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act," and with such other powers and privileges as are usually given to railway companies and incidental thereto; with power to purchase, lease or otherwise acquire and hold coal lands, oil lands, or other mineral lands in the District of South-East Kootenay, or any interest therein, and work, operate, develop, lease or sell the same.

And whereas the development of the resources of South-East Kootenay will be to the general advantage of British Columbia, and will open a large extent of country at present undeveloped awaiting transportation facilities.

Wherefore, your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable House may be pleased to pass an Act incorporating a company with the powers and for the purposes above mentioned. And, as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

Dated the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1906.

THOMAS DAVIS,  
ALFRED FARMER,  
C. BAMPFYLDE DANIELL.

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VICTORIA, B. C.: