No. 13a.

PETITION.

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To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia :

The petition of the Continental Power Company, Limited, humbly showeth :—

1. Your petitioners are a corporation organised under Part IV. of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act" and amending Acts.

2. Your petitioners are informed that a Bill has been introduced, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Prince Rupert Light & Power Company," and praying for certain privileges to the advantage of the said corporation, to be carried on on the Tsimpsean Peninsula, Kaien Island, Digby Island and adjacent islands in Coast District.

3. Your petitioners have become incorporated for the purpose of carrying on similar businesses in the said districts under the provisions of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act."

4. In so far as your petitioners are able to judge, all the powers which the said Prince Rupert Light & Power Company seek to acquire can be conferred upon them by complying with the provisions of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act."

5. If the said Act authorised any additional and exclusive powers to be granted to the said Prince Rupert Light & Power Company, your petitioners submit that it would be unjust to grant exclusive or extraordinary privileges to the company named in the said Prince Rupert Light & Power Company Bill, and that it would be unfair to other companies which have been incorporated and intend to operate in the same district under the provisions of the organic Act relating to companies of that class.

And your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your honourable House will decline to grant to the Prince Rupert Light & Power Company any privileges, except those which they may now acquire by complying with the provisions of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act."

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

Dated this 2nd day of April, A. D. 1907.

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THE CONTINENTAL POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.
JAMES H. LAWSON, JR., *Director.*
M. A. MELLON, *Secretary.*