

No. 11.

## PETITION.

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*To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislature of British Columbia,  
in Parliament assembled:*

The petition of the undersigned, Robert L. Patterson, of Toronto, Ontario; John W. Haskins and Charles H. Lugin, of Victoria, British Columbia; and the British Columbia, Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company, of the same place, humbly sheweth:

1. That it is in the interests of the public that the railway hereinafter described should be constructed.

2. Your petitioners are desirous of having passed an Act of your Honourable House ratifying and confirming to the British Columbia, Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company, all the rights, powers, privileges and franchises conferred by the "British Columbia and Yukon Railway Act, 1903," upon said Company, and to extend the time for making the surveys required by section 21 of the said Act, and extending the time for the completion of the works contemplated by the said Act, and ratifying and confirming to the petitioning Company the powers of the Company in the said Act contained, and to grant to them the following additional powers, viz.:—To acquire and work coal mines; to build branches, not exceeding 20 miles, from the main line; to build and operate telegraph and telephone lines, and to charge tolls; to build and operate steam and other vessels on the inland waters of British Columbia; to acquire and operate wharves; to enable the line of railway to be constructed in sections, and to amend, by omitting the alternative line of railway *via* Skeena River.

Your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable House will be pleased to enact accordingly.

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

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 27th day of December, 1905.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA NORTHERN AND MACKENZIE VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY,

By—R. L. PATTERSON, }  
J. W. HASKINS, } *Directors.*  
CHAS. H. LUGRIN. }

[L.S.]

G. A. HARRIS,  
*Secretary.*

VICTORIA, B.C.

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