## No. 24A. PETITION.

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

The petition of the British America Timber Company, a body corporate duly licensed as an extra-provincial company to carry on business in the Province of British Columbia, humbly showeth:—

- 1. That there is pending before your Honourable Legislature at its present session, under the number 73, a petition for the passing of a Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Comox Logging and Railway Company."
- 2. That your petitioner is the owner of timber lands along part of the route intended to be traversed by the railway referred to in the said Bill.
- 3. That the promoters of the said railway have no lands or property and no necessity for the construction or operation of a logging railway along that part of the route which traverses the lands owned by your petitioner, but, on the contrary, the lands of the promoters of the said railway all lie to the southward of the lands owned by your petitioner.
- 4. That the construction of the said railroad, in so far as it traverses the lands owned by your petitioner, will be accompanied with danger to the timber owned by your petitioner, and will depreciate the value of your petitioner's timber lands, and is not necessary in the interests of any land-owner owning land adjacent to or to the northward of the lands owned by your petitioner.
- 5. Your petitioner, therefore, prays that your Honourable Legislature will be pleased to refuse to grant the petition of the Comox Logging and Railway Company for the passing of the above-recited Bill.

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

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this 7th day of February, A. D., 1910.

BRITISH AMERICA TIMBER COMPANY.

Per R. T. ELLIOTT, of Counsel.