No. 11E.

PETITION.

In the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, Session 1908.

"An Act to amend the 'Corporation of Victoria Water-Works Act, 1873,' and the 'Victoria Water-Works Amendment Act,' Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers."

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia:

The humble petition of Joseph Norman Calwell sheweth as follows:—

- 1. A Bill is now pending in your Honourable House intituled "An Act to amend the 'Corporation of Victoria Water-Works Act, 1873,' and the 'Victoria Water-Works Amendment Act,' Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers." The Bill is promoted by the Corporation of the City of Victoria.
- 2. Your petitioner is now and has been for a number of years the owner of Lot 10, of Block 9, Sooke Lake, suburban lots, Sooke District (Map 485).
 - 3. The said lot is situated on Sooke Lake.
- 4. Your petitioner has, at considerable cost and expense, improved said premises, and has erected a dwelling house and barns and outbuildings on a low-lying promontory on the said premises.
- 5. By the said Bill the Corporation of the City of Victoria is seeking power (inter alia) to enter the land of any person within twenty miles of the said City of Victoria and to such parts thereof as they may think fit, and to construct dams as the Commissioner in the said Act mentioned shall think fit.
- 6. Your petitioner believes that part of the scheme of the promoters of the said Bill is to erect a dam which will raise the level of said Sooke Lake to a height which would injure or prejudicially affect your petitioner's said land and property.
- 7. In order to furnish the City of Victoria with the quantity of water required by it, a dam to increase the present height of the said Sooke Lake is unnecessary.

Your petitioner, therefore, humbly prays that the said Bill, so far as the same affects the present condition of Sooke Lake, may not be allowed to pass into law, and that he may be heard thereon by his counsel, agents and witnesses before the Committee of your Honourable Assembly to whom the Bill may be referred.

Dated the 15th day of February, 1908.

Witness:

F. W. Jesse.

Joseph Norman Calwell.