
PETITION.

To the Hon. the Speaker and Hon. Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled :

The humble petition of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of the Province sheweth :—

That your petitioners have learned that the "School Act" has been so amended as to disfranchise the wives of householders from voting at the election of School Trustees, and also rendered them ineligible for election as Trustees.

That your petitioners believe that the said amendment was a retrograde movement, and that it would be conducive to the best interests of the children and schools of this Province if the repealed law were re-enacted. In England and the United States the extension of the School Franchise to women has proved very beneficial.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Body will be pleased to extend to the wives of householders the School Franchise.

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

On behalf of 500 women members of the Provincial Women's Christian Temperance Union.

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