PETITION.

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

The humble petition of the undersigned residents of the said Province, and interested in the development and prosperity of that portion of the said Province known as the Queen Charlotte Islands Group, sheweth:—

That the recent discoveries of coal and other minerals made on those Islands, the large sums of money invested therein, and the importance attaching to that portion of the Province from the valuable timber, agricultural and pastoral lands therein situated, have made it desirable in the interests of the Province in general, and your petitioners in particular; that some action should be taken to afford greater facilities of communication with the said Islands, and especially a properly organized and regular mail service.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that you may be pleased to take such steps as in your wisdom you may deem best to secure the carrying of the mail to Skidegate and Masset Inlets, by steamers having accommodation for passengers, once every month from the first day of April to the last day of October in each year, and at least three times during the intervening winter season.

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

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