

PETITION.

*To the Honourable the Speaker and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of
British Columbia in Parliament assembled.*

The humble petition of the undersigned, Coal Miners in the employ of the Wellington Colliery Company, Limited Liability, sheweth as follows:—

That your petitioners are informed that a Bill is now before the Legislature intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" in which, amongst other powers, is included the arbitrary power to the Inspector of Mines to prohibit the employment underground, and the presence underground, for the purpose of employment, in any mine to which the "Coal Mines Regulation Act" applies, of any person who is unable to read the special rules for said mine as printed in English, and to understand the same to the satisfaction of the Inspector.

Your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable Body will not permit this Bill to pass the House and become law.

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

ALEX. D. CAMPBELL,
TOM LISTER,
RICHARD MORGAN,
ARCHIBALD KERR,
WILLIAM JONES,
And 401 others.