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No. 4I.

PETITION.

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

The petition of the Vancouver Club, of the City of Vancouver in the Province of British Columbia, humbly sheweth:

- 1. That the Vancouver Club is an unincorporated social Club.
- 2. That a petition of the Corporation of the City of Vancouver has been presented to your Honourable House praying that an Act may be passed revising, consolidating and amending the Incorporation Act of the said City of Vancouver, being 49 Victoria, Chapter 22, of the Statutes of British Columbia, and an Act has been brought down to your Honourable House styled "An Act to Revise and Consolidate the Vancouver Incorporation Act."
- 3. That the said Act, as brought down and read a first time, prejudicially affects the rights of the members of the said Club.
- 4. Your petitioners object to the provisions of the said Act to revise and consolidate the Vancouver Incorporation Act contained in section 85, which enables the City Council of the said City to pass by-laws for licensing Clubs.
- 5. That the City should not be empowered to exercise any supervision or control over its affairs. That the giving and exercising of such powers would be an unwarranted interference with the private rights of the members of the said Club.
- 6. Your petitioners respectfully pray that your Honourable House may grant leave to your petitioners to be heard by Counsel and agents and witnesses in support of the objections to the provisions of the Act to which exception is taken.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your Honourable House may be pleased to give consideration to your petitioners' objections herein taken.

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

Dated this 6th day of February, A.D. 1900.

H. ABBOTT, President. R. R. SLADE, Secretary.