

**To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of Canada, in  
Provincial Parliament Assembled.**

*The Petition of the Municipality of*

HUMBLY SHEWETH:

That your Petitioners earnestly desire to bring under the consideration of your Honourable House, the injurious effects which *the large indebtedness* incurred by so many Municipalities for Railway Enterprise, has upon the best interests of the Country.

That as such indebtedness has necessarily caused increased taxation, and tends to discourage the Enterprise of Individuals and Communities, it must consequently, seriously affect the revenue of the Province. Your Petitioners would therefore impress on your Honourable House, the expediency and equity of enacting such a measure of relief in the emergency, as would have the effect of infusing a degree of life and energy, calculated to be felt throughout the country, and which would amply reimburse the Provincial Treasury in the improvement of the revenue.

That the Railway which your Petitioners have assisted, has contributed to the general advantage of the country.

Your Petitioners, therefore, pray your Honourable House, to pass an effectual measure of relief, relating to the Municipalities so indebted.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.