



CHAPTER 23

An Act respecting the development of certain waterfalls

[Assented to, the 22nd of June, 1940]

WHEREAS the waterfalls of the river St. Maurice ^{Preamble.} at La Tuque were conceded by letters patent on the 26th of September, 1905, and 12th of March, 1906;

Whereas the waterfalls of river aux Outardes commonly called "first falls" were conceded by leases of the 30th of January, 1923, and 10th of March, 1927;

Whereas it has been found that, by increasing the development of the water powers of the said falls to their maximum economical capacity, certain portions of the beds and banks of the said rivers not included in the said grants would be affected and that they cannot be so developed save by previously obtaining grants, at an annual rental or for other consideration, of the lands and rights which would be so affected;

Whereas these lands and rights cannot be utilized for any other project of water power development economically realizable;

Whereas it is expedient to authorize the granting of these lands and rights so as to thus enable the development to their maximum economical capacity of the only water powers with which they may be utilized;

Whereas the waterfalls of the river St. Francis at East Angus and at Bromptonville had been developed by Brompton Pulp & Paper Company, Limited, and

its *auteurs*, before the coming into force of the act 8 George V, chapter 68;

Whereas it is expedient to oblige Brompton Pulp & Paper Company, Limited, to secure grants for the Province's lands and rights affected by its said development, and to authorize the issuing thereof;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Grants authorized to:

1. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the Minister of Lands and Forests, may grant, lease or let for such period of time and upon such conditions as he may determine:

St. Maurice Power Corporation;

a. To St. Maurice Power Corporation, such of the Province's lands and rights as he may deem necessary to permit of increasing the height of the fall and so raise, to the maximum economical capacity, the development of the water powers on the river St. Maurice at La Tuque, granted on the 26th of September, 1905, and on the 12th of March, 1906;

Quebec North Shore Paper Company;

b. To Quebec North Shore Paper Company, such of the Province's lands and rights as he may deem necessary to permit of increasing the height of the fall and so raise, to the maximum economical capacity, the development of the water powers on river aux Outardes, granted on the 30th of January, 1923, and 10th of March, 1927;

Brompton Pulp and Paper Company, Limited.

c. To Brompton Pulp and Paper Company, Limited, such of the Province's lands and rights affected by the works constructed in the river St. Francis at East Angus and at Bromptonville by such company or its *auteurs* before the coming into force of the act 8 George V, chapter 68.

Limitations.

2. The additional grants, contemplated by paragraphs *a* and *b* of section 1, must not be for more than 15% of the height of the fall already granted, and those contemplated by paragraph *c* of the said section must not permit any encroachment upon any other existing development on the same river.

Annual rental, etc., from Brompton P. & P. Co., Ltd.

3. Brompton Pulp & Paper Company, Limited, must secure grants for the lands and rights contemplated in paragraph *c* of section 1, when thereunto required

by the Minister of Lands and Forests, and, upon its failure so to do, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may fix, by order-in-council, the annual rental or other remuneration which the company must pay and may revise such amount at such periods as he may determine.

4. This act shall come into force on the day of its ^{Coming into} sanction. _{force.}

