



CHAPTER 102

An Act to ratify a by-law of the town of Donnacona, Portneuf County, and a contract passed between the said town of Donnacona and Donnacona Paper Company, Limited

[Assented to, the 17th of May, 1940]

WHEREAS on the 29th day of July, 1912, the Preamble. council of the parish of St. Jean Baptiste des Ecureuils, county of Portneuf, adopted a resolution to exempt from taxation an industry the establishment of which in the municipality was proposed by the Baie Saint-Paul Company Limited at the place called *Fonds Jacques Cartier*, and whereas the said company later ceded its interests to The Donnacona Paper Company Limited and the latter to Donnacona Paper Company, Limited;

Whereas, after the creation of the parish of Donnacona, on the 21st of April, 1915, and of the town of Donnacona, by letters patent on the 10th of November, 1920, the plant and industry of Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, were within the limits of the parish and subsequently of the town of Donnacona, and whereas the municipal council of the town of Donnacona has continued to grant privileges of commutation of taxation to the aforesaid company, in accordance with the above resolution of the council of the parish of St. Jean Baptiste des Ecureuils, dated the 29th of July, 1912;

Whereas the last privileges of commutation of taxation so conferred and ratified by the Legislature of

the Province of Quebec by the act 1 George VI, chapter 113, end on the 7th of May, 1940;

Whereas by its by-law number one hundred and six (106) passed on the 22nd of January, 1940, the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona has granted, for a period of five (5) years, from the coming into force of the valuation and collection rolls of the town of Donnacona for the year 1940, a commutation of taxes to the Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, by which the properties of the said company, situated in the town of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, are valued, for the purposes of municipal taxation, at the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00), and the company is to pay only fifty per cent (50%) of the taxes imposed on such valuation;

Whereas the said by-law was approved almost unanimously by the elector-proprietors of the town of Donnacona by their vote given on the 30th and 31st of January, 1940;

Whereas by resolution of the municipal council dated the 22nd of January, 1940, the mayor of the town of Donnacona was authorized to sign with the Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, a contract setting forth the acceptance of the reciprocal rights and obligations of the two parties under the above by-law;

Whereas the Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, by resolution dated the 23rd of January, 1940, duly authorized its president and its secretary-treasurer to sign the said contract;

Whereas the said contract based on by-law number one hundred and six (106) of the town of Donnacona was duly executed and signed by the contracting parties before Notary Philippe Chalifour, of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, on the 2nd day of February, 1940;

Whereas it is expedient that the said by-law number one hundred and six (106) be ratified by the Legislature of the Province of Quebec in order to give it force and effect;

Whereas the contract between the corporation of the town of Donnacona and Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, mentions that the corporation of the town of Donnacona undertakes to obtain the ratifica-

tion of the said contract by the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, otherwise the contract will be null and void;

Whereas the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona asks for the confirmation and ratification of the said by-law and of the said contract;

Whereas the said petition is made with the approval of practically all the citizens of Donnacona and whereas the Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, employs practically all the workmen of the said municipality;

Whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer;

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

1. The by-law and contract described as follows: By-law and contract ratified.

a. By-law number one hundred and six (106) passed by the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, on the 22nd of January, 1940, whereby the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona fixes at the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) the valuation, for purposes of municipal taxation, of the taxable plants, machinery and properties of the said Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, and agrees that the Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, pay only fifty per cent (50%) of the taxes assessable and assessed on the other proprietors of the town of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, on the said valuation of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00), the whole for a period of five years from the coming into force of the valuation and collection rolls of the town of Donnacona for the year 1940;

b. A contract passed on the 2nd of February, 1940, before Notary Philippe Chalifour, of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, under number five thousand and twenty-six (5026) of his minutes, between the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona and Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, giving effect to the above-mentioned by law,—

Are by this act confirmed and ratified for all legal purposes.

Nevertheless, the company shall provide all the work Proviso. possible to the citizens of Donnacona and pay them

reasonable wages, taking into account the effective operation of its mill.

Coming into force. **2.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.
