



CHAPTER 113

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

[Assented to, the 17th of May, 1937]

WHEREAS, on the 29th of July, 1912, the council of Preamble.
the parish of St. Jean Baptiste des Ecureuils,
county of Portneuf, passed a resolution to exempt from
taxation a proposed industry in this municipality by
The Baie St. Paul Company, Limited, at the place
called Fonds Jacques Cartier, and whereas such com-
pany later ceded its interests to The Donnacona Paper
Company, Limited, and the latter to Donnacona Paper
Company, Limited;

Whereas, in the erection of the municipality as a
parish, on the 21st of April, 1915, and into a town mu-
nicipality, by letters-patent dated the 10th of Novem-
ber, 1920, the plant proposed, as aforesaid, was within
the limits of the new municipality and the municipal
council of the town of Donnacona has continued to
grant exemption privileges to the above 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 exemption privileges so conferred
and ratified by the Legislature of the Province of Que-
bec, by the act 21 George V, chapter 169, end on the
11th of March, 1936;

Whereas, by its by-law No. 89, passed on the 7th of
May, 1935, the municipal corporation of the town of
Donnacona has granted, for a period of five years, a

commutation of taxes to Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, by which the properties of the company, situated in the town of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, are valued for municipal taxation at the sum of one million three hundred thousand dollars, and under which the company is to pay only twenty-five per cent of the taxes imposable on such valuation;

Whereas the said by-law was approved by the elector-proprietors of the town of Donnacona, by their vote given on the 6th and 7th of June, 1935;

Whereas, under a resolution of the municipal council, dated the 7th of May, 1935, the mayor of the town of Donnacona was authorized to sign a contract with Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, setting forth the acceptance of the reciprocal duties, obligations and privileges incumbent upon and owing by each of the parties under the above by-law;

Whereas Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, by a resolution dated the 8th of July, 1935, duly authorized its president and its secretary-treasurer to sign the said contract;

Whereas the said contract, based on by-law No. 89 of the town of Donnacona, was duly executed and signed by the contracting parties before Philippe Chalifour, notary, of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, on the 5th of September, 1935;

Whereas it is expedient that the said by-law No. 89 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 assumes the obtaining of its ratification by the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, without which 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 contract;

Whereas the said petition is made with the approval of practically all the citizens of Donnacona; and whereas the company employs practically the entire population of the municipality; and

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: Validation

a. By-law No. eighty-nine adopted by the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, on the 7th of May, 1935, whereby the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona agrees to fix the valuation, for purposes of municipal taxation, of the taxable plants, machinery and properties of the said Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, at one million three hundred thousand dollars, and that the said Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, pay only twenty-five per cent of the taxes assessable and assessed on the other proprietors of the town of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, on the said valuation of one million three hundred thousand dollars, for a period of five years;

b. A contract, passed on the 5th of September, 1935, before Notary Philippe Chalifour, of Donnacona, county of Portneuf, between the municipal corporation of the town of Donnacona and Donnacona Paper Company, Limited, giving effect to the above-mentioned by-law,—

are hereby confirmed and ratified for all legal purposes.

However, the valuation of the properties of the said company is raised from one million three hundred thousand dollars to two million dollars; and the company must furnish all the work possible and pay reasonable wages to the population of Donnacona, taking into consideration the efficacious operation of its mill.

2. The provisions of section 1 of this act shall be deemed to be in force counting from the coming into force of the valuation and collection rolls of the town of Donnacona for 1935; and only the provisions to the contrary of an act adopted posterior thereto may affect it.

3. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

