

contracts from a number of persons, and also received payments on some of the contracts of the association and union.

On 15th December, 1903, the Registrar of Loan Corporations, learning that the company was carrying on the business of those concerns, cancelled the registry which had been renewed for a temporary purpose. Another move thus became necessary. It was decided to have a company bearing the same name incorporated in the province of Quebec, under the laws of that province, and having its head office in Montreal, instead of Toronto. This was done, the shareholders of the new company being W. J. Doran and his wife, J. H. Maunder and his wife, and M. C. Hubert—of whom Doran, Maunder, and Hubert were directors.

Doran's affidavit states that thereupon about 12th February, 1903, the People's Loan and Deposit Company of Toronto transferred to the People's Loan and Deposit Company of Montreal all the contracts it had with contractors, all the assets, money, property, and obligations of every kind represented by those contracts, and the Montreal company received the same, subject to the trusts connected therewith, and agreed to administer the moneys in every respect as the union and association had undertaken, and accepted the same, well knowing that the moneys were paid for the purposes mentioned, and became responsible to all the persons whose contracts were transferred. A copy of the agreement of transfer is put in, but it has not the schedule containing a list of mortgages transferred. By the agreement the Toronto company has the right of redemption in case a "license of incorporation" be granted by the government of Ontario to the Toronto company. The consideration expressed for the transfer is \$1. and that the assignees will perform all the obligations in the mortgages and contracts.

The affidavit goes on to state that the chief reason for this transfer was that the officers in the Toronto company perceived that the company was going behind financially, and would be unable to carry on the business which it had undertaken, and in order to protect the assets from any of its contractors who might take proceedings against the company. A circular issued from the People's Loan and Deposit Company, Montreal, on 28th March, "to our contract holders in Toronto," says: "By the transfer of the business of the old company, you are secured from the loss which would have been entailed by any attempt to wind up our business in Ontario. If we were to throw this matter in the