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20th Oct. 42
Tashme. B.C.

Inquiry
re

Yabei Matsushita - deceased

Mie Matsushita - daughter of the
deceased, gave evidence as follows.

At 2.20 pm on 19th of October my
father, Yabei Matsushita, collapsed
while cutting wood, and was
carried in after I had gone out to
see him. D^r. H. M. Shimokura of
the Tashme Camp was notified and
came in to see him and found him
to be dead. The R.C.M.P. notified
the Constable Sutherland at Hope.
He had not been feeling right for
some days past. He had for some
time back been under treatment for
heart weakness.

witness to
Signatures.
Alvan K. Stewart
Coroner
Hope B.C.

Mie Matsushita
H. M. Shimokura
Japanese doctor }

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"CORONERS ACT."
(Sec. 7, Subsecs. (2) and (3).)

(Coroner's Report Form of Inquiry.)

Hope, B.C.
28th Oct, 1942

Report of INQUIRY as to Cause of Death of

YAHEI MATSUSHITA.

Age ^{10 months} 58. sex male Birthplace Japan Date of death 19th Oct 42
Nationality Japan Race Japanese
Remarks

The deceased died suddenly while cutting wood for the house at the Japanese encampment known as Tashme 14 miles out of Hope on the Hope-Princeton highway.

Where found Beside the house at the wood pile
Found by His daughter Mie Matsushita and a friend.

Post-mortem findings

ACKNOWLEDGED
No Post-mortem
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Wounds, etc. None
Address of deceased Tashme Camp via Hope, B.C.
Address of next of kin Mie Matsushita - Tashme Camp via Hope, B.C.
Opinion of Coroner

This man had been ailing and some little time back had a doctor's advice to go slow owing to heart weakness. In my opinion it was not necessary to have an autopsy in this case, as there was no sign of violence or foul play.

Municipality or district responsible None
Undertaker Japanese Buried at Cremated at the camp.

Allan K. Stewart, Coroner.

NOTE.—Depositions or statements of witnesses (if any) to be attached to this form.

Hope B.C.

To the Hon. ²⁷¹⁴
The Attorney-General
Victoria. B.C.

Hope. B.C.
21st Oct 42

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Inquiry,
re. Yahie Matsushita - Japanese,
deceased.

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Sir I have to report that I was hurriedly called by Constable Sutherland and accompanied him to the large Japanese encampment known as Tashme, about 17 miles out of Hope, in connection with this death. A Japanese interpreted for me. I was told by the Japanese that an application had been made for permission to cremate the body themselves at the Tashme camp.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your obed^t servant,
Allan Stewart.

Coroner - Hope. B.C.