Name of Claimant HONKAWA Suekichi Case 45

Custodian File 639

REAL PROPERTY

Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			Total
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices: % of Total	Amount	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Total	Amount	
		270	27.00	13.50 12.50							53.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear						
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column	

NETS

Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price	

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS

Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	
396.80	262.70	78.81	66.20%	571.35	378.23	279.18	33.50	650.54

SPECIAL $160.00

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	703.54

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IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"

PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H.I. BIRD, COMMISSIONER).

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APPEARANCES:

J.W.G. HUNTER, Esq.,	appearing for the Dominion Government.
R.J. McMASTER, Esq.,	appearing for the Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq.,	Secretary.
G.N.R. UPTON, Esq.,	Official Interpreter.
T.P. HORROBIN, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, im this case I find that the claimant has overlooked crediting the Custodian with the sum of $500.00. The two items which he shows as being credited by the Custodian are on the front of the claim, $73.99, and on the back of the claim he shows $96.59. Those two items added together equal the gross amount the Custodian received at auction of certain personal property.

Now in addition to that, the Custodian received $500.00 on the sale of the real estate with the equipment or certain equipment with it. So that the total deduction would be another $500.00.

With respect to the sum of $2869.67 appearing on the face of the claim, I am advised that is made up of a claim for $1500.00 for lands and buildings and $1369.67 for equipment and fixtures.

My lord, in the material which will be filed there will be a slight discrepancy, I think, in valuation between the values filed and the values appearing with the inventory accompanying the J.P. form, so that the figure on the back of the page of $394.10 should be reduced to $361.97.

THE COMMISSIONER: $361.97?

MR. McMASTER: $361.97. So there is one further reduction, my lord, which I regret I am unable to advise the exact amount of until later,

the reason being this, just before I came into the hearing on going through the man's papers I found and apparently neglected to ask him that certain things had been received by him which appear on the J.P. form which I will file in the course of the proceedings -- I will file a list of those things he received. I got no indication from the Custodian's file that he had received those things -- I don't know why that is -- but he admits he received them. I haven't the amounts, but I think if your Lordship has that list, your Lorship can ascertain the amount of it in relation to his claim. My lord, my learned friend draws my attention to the fact that I stated that the two credits he has given for moneys received by the Custodian were gross credits, but they are the net credits.

MR. HUNTER: The gross, my lord, in total is $262.70, plus the $500.00, of course.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, proceed, Mr. McMaster.

SUEKICHI HONKAWA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q Might I have the claim form, please? Is this your signature on the claim form, and did you swear that declaration, witness?

A Yes.

Q Now prior to your evacuation, where did you live?

A Port Essington.

Q And what was your occupation at Port Essington? I think, Mr. Interpreter, and witness, it would be simpler if we used the interpreter entirely rather than have him reply to English questions where we are liable to become confused.

A Boat business.

Q What sort of boat business?

A Boat builder.

THE COMMISSIONER: How long had he been engaged in that business there?

MR. McMASTER: Q: How long had he been engaged in that business at Port Essington?

A Since 1928.

Q Now I produce to you, witness, a form. Is this a form which you instructed Mr. Leckie to draw on your behalf? A: It is.

Q Would you be good enough to sign it, please? Are the statements in that form true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, this is a form with regard to the real estate owned by the claimant at Port Essington. I would file it as an exhibit.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. McMASTER: The form discloses, my lord, that he had had this piece of property there on which there was a house and also on which he had built his boat building shed and other sheds relating to the business that he carried on.

Q I produce to you, witness, another form. Did you instruct Mr. Leckie to draw this form for you?

A Yes.

Q Would you be good enough to sign that form? Is the information contained in that form true tothe best of your knowledge and recollection?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: This is a form, my lord, with relation to the stock and equipment of the business. I file it as Exhibit 2.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

Q Now, witness, you have made a claim for $1369.67?

A Yes.

Q Withrespect to stock and equipment which you claim to have been yours at the time of evacuation. Is that a list (producing) which you have prepared of the stock and equipment?

A Yes.

Q And are the items contained in this list to the best of your recollection -- were they contained in the form which you signed for the Custodian disclosing your property at the time of evacuation?

A Yes.

Q And were all the items appearing in this list your property? A: Yes.

Q And were they all situated on your premises at the time of your evacuation?

A Yes.

Q And do the values which are shown on this list correspond with the values shown on the form

which you filed with the Custodian?

A Yes.

Q Now in the case of those items which were part of your stock-in-trade, have you shown the wholesale price or the retail price?

A The selling price.

Q At the selling price? A: Yes.

Q By that he means the price he would charge anybody he sold them to? A: You want to know--?

Q I would like to ask, my lord, through you as to whether the Interpreter is sure that the witness understands what I mean when I am talking about stock-in-trade. That is the type of thing that he had here that he would be putting into boats or selling to people, not his equipment, but the sort of thing he would be re-selling.

A The price at which he bought?

Q I see. So it would be the cost to him?

A Yes.

Q Now, in the case of items of equipment which he has in this list, does the price that he shows refer to the costprice or to the price at which they might be sold at the time of his evacuation?

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, just a moment, let us understand this. He was not selling equipment.

MR. McMASTER: That is correct, my lord. You think that might be confusing?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, the price undoubtedly must be cost, or cost less depreciation.

MR. McMASTER: Q:. Probably a fair way of putting it is this: With respect to the equipment which he left behind him and which appears on this list, on what basis did he set out these values that appear on the list?

A The prices at whihh he bought.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: Ask him further if he has allowed anything for depreciation?

A He says there are some items which are cheaper than the prices at which he bought.

Q He has still not answered the question. Put it again.

MR. McMASTER: Q: We are referring to the items which were part of his equipment, as distinct from his stock. Now in putting those values in, did he allow for depreciation in making these valuations? A: He says yes, the equipment which he used, he made cheaper.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask my learned friend to produce the J.P. form and the list which was filed with it. I see , my lord, this is just a copy of a J.P. form. Perhaps my friend would permit me to file it with the list and admit it is a true copy produced from his file. I would ask to have that marked as the next exhibit.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

Q With regard to the list which you filed with the Custodian, you have already said that you included in that list items that appeared in Exhibit No. 3.

THE COMMISSIONER: What is Exhibit No. 3?

MR. McMASTER: I guess Exhibit 2 was the second form and Exhibit 3 the list of equipment and stock-in-trade and I would ask the Secretary to mark them in that way.

THE COMMISSIONER: Wait a minute. The stock and equipment of the boat-building plant is Exhibit 2.

MR. McMASTER: That is his first statement, the general statement on the yellow form, and Exhibit 3 is that itemized list of his stock-in-trade and equipment, and Exhibit 4 the J.P. form with the declaration or the inventory, rather, declared with it.

Q Now, with the form that you filed with the Custodian at the time of your evacuation, you gave him a long, two-page inventory of your goods and chattels and all your stock and fixtures?

A Household equipment, is it?

Q Yes, household furniture.

A Yes.

Q And with respect to those items you showed in that inventory, your estimate of the value?

A Yes.

Q Now just with respect to that, does the value shown by you with respect to your household effects and chattels represent, in your opinion, the fair market value at the time you made that inventory? A: Yes, he says he made it on that basis.

Q Now, witness, I understand that you have received

from the Custodian at your request certain of the items which appear on the inventory to your J.P. form? A: Yes.

Q Does this list which I now produce to you contain all of the items which you have received from the Custodian? A: There are items there set down here which he has not received.

Q How are those items marked in the margin of the form? A: He has put a cross against the items which he did not receive.

Q In the margin? A: Yes.

Q And the items with a tick, are those the items which he received? A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, Mr. McMaster, that is all very interesting, but I do not propose to go through these lists.

MR. McMASTER: I can appreciate that, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: I am going to leave the J.P. form with you. Strike out of it those that were delivered to him.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord, that is the simplest way to do it.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, I think it is.

MR. McMASTER: I would have done it before I came in but I was taken by surprise there.

THE COMMISSIONER: I can understand your difficulty.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, Mr. Hunter suggests that we agree that after I have marked these items off on the J.P. form that the items on the J.P.

form which have an "X" opposite them will represent the items he has received.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well. I think it might be well if you collaborated with Mr. Hunter so there is no question between the two of you as to articles having been sent and not received.

MR. McMASTER: I would like to have your file for a moment if I might, Mr. Shears. I would ask my friend to produce from his file a report from the Provincial Constable at the Port Essington detachment. This is a copy of a report, my lord, signed by E.W. Bell, Constable Port Essington Detachment, headed "Re: Honkawa, Suekichi - Premises B.& E. & Theft". I don't think I need read this report into the record, my lord, but I would ask to file it. I think it shows a considerable amount of pilfering going on in or about this man's premises.

(REPORT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

I am producing from the Custodian's file, my lord, what purports to be an extract of W.H. Shortridge, Port Essington, Appraisals June to July, 1944. I don't think it is necessary to read it into the record, my lord, but I would ask to file it as an exhibit. I would ask my learned friend to advise the Commissioner as to when this property was sold. I am advised it was sold on the 23rd of March, 1946, my lord.

(APPRAISAL MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. McMASTER: I think in all fairness I ought to ask

for the other appraisal. I produce from the Custodian's file, my lord, an original letter from H.G. Helgerson, Limited, of Prince Rupert to the Custodian re these premises, describing the condition of the premises in part and making an appraisal, and I would draw your Lordship's attention to the fact the letter is dated March 27th, 1946. I wish to file that as an exhibit, my lord.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

MR. McMASTER: I have asked the Custodian to produce a copy of the letter of March 23rd, 1946, my lord, a letter to the Custodian's office or rather from the Custodian's office to a Mrs. Arnold of Helgerson Limited. I would ask to file that, my lord, as the next exhibit.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. McMASTER: Your witness.

THE COMMISSIONER: The date of that letter was March 23rd, 1946.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord.

MR. HUNTER: No questions, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: No questions? All right, thank you, Mr. Honkawa.

(Witness aside)

THE COMMISSIONER: We will adjourn now until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

T.P. Horrobin

"T.P. Horrobin"
Official Reporter.

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IN THE MATTER OF a Commission to Investigate Claims of Japanese Canadians for Property Losses.

TO: The Commissioner,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

NOTIFIED ACKNOWLEDGED

639 Kamloops Lillooet

Pursuant to the notice issued on the 26th day of September, 1947, I submit the following claim:

(1) NAME HONKAWA (Print) Surname Suekichi Given Name (RCMP) Reg. No. 11075

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Port Essington B C

(3) Present Address East Lillooet B C

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) Port Essington B C
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)

Lot 7, Block 21, Townsite of Port Essington, Map 537

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):

(i) ~~Farm~~
(ii) Residence Type of business Boat Building & Boat Repairing.
(iii) Business
(iv) Any other type of property (describe)

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.)

Sole Owner

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):

(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $

1500 Land Bldgs. 1369 Equip.

(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 2869.67
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ ~~500.00~~
(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ ~~2785.68~~ 2369.67

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation
House on above land at Port Essington B C

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
House

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
In boxes or on shelves of the house

(over)

(d) In whose care was property left at date of evacuation by the claimant. (This question refers to the terms of reference which exclude claims where the property was lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property. It involves some definite arrangement whereby you appointed someone to take care of the property and such person accepted the responsibility of so doing. Unless such an arrangement was made the question should be answered "in no one's care") 1369 52

Constable E. W. Bell

(e) Itemized description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1.		Estimated Value $	
2.	Furnitures, Kitchenwares, & All	Estimated Value $	261 97
3.	Household & Personal Effects, etc.,	Estimated Value $	~~394.10~~
4.		Estimated Value $	
5.	Radio, Batteries, etc.	Estimated Value $	75.00
6.		Estimated Value $	
7.		Estimated Value $	436.97
8.	Fair market value at date of sale	Estimated Value $	~~469.10~~ gross 2627
9.		Estimated Value $	170.58 =
10.	Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account	Estimated Value $	96.59 + 73.99 = 170.58
		TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $	~~372.51~~

N.B.—If you cannot list all the items here prepare a separate list with values set out opposite each item and attach it to the form. The item "personal property" includes shares, bonds, mortgages, loans, notes and all other forms of property not included in real estate.

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - $ 2666.39 3168.19

(6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.) Lillooet preferred, Kamloops if necessary

(b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no No

N.B.—This Declaration must be sworn before a Commissioner, Notary Public or other person entitled to take declarations. All lawyers are qualified to do so.

DOMINION OF CANADA)
of)
TO WIT:)

I, Suekichi Honkawa of the East Lillooet
of Lillooet in the Province of British Columbia

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of 'The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the Lillooet)
of Village)
in the Province of British Columbia) Suekichi Honkawa
this 27 day of November)
A.D. 1947.) A Commissioner &c. Justice of Peace

N.B. — THIS FORM FULLY COMPLETED AND SWORN BEFORE A COMMISSIONER SHOULD BE MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE COMMISSIONER, c/o THE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN, ROYAL BANK BLDG., VANCOUVER, B.C., BEFORE NOVEMBER 30th, 1947. IF YOU CANNOT MAIL IT BEFORE THIS DATE SET OUT BELOW REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

Suekichi Honkawa
(Claimant's Name)

REAL ESTATE
(Other than farm)

EXHIBIT No. 45-1
DATE 16 Jan 1948
FILED BY
R. J. McMaster

11075
Reg. No.

Type of Premises (e.g. House, Store, etc.)	No. of Rooms	Type of Finish	Use of Premises	Size of Lot	When Purchased	Date of Purchase
Lot 7, Block 21, Map 587, Townsite of Port Ascington BC; with cottage	4 rooms	Frame 17×17 ; ship lap & V-joint walls (papered)	residence (rented)	50×120	Sep. 1927	

Type of Locality	Cost Price
Residential area just outside of Port Ascington	$900.00 for land & cottage

Comments re upkeep of premises:
House and sheds in good condition at time of my evacuation

Improvements made by Claimant

Boat building shed 60×20'-22'
Band saw shed 20×12
Engine room shed 24×10
(all under one roof)
(built by myself & workmen during 1926)
Lumber shed 12'×24'
(built same year)
} at cost price

Estimated Value Date of Sale

$600.00

add land & cottage (at cost price) $900.00

Total value (land & erections) — $1500.00

Comments re Appraiser's report not covered above:

I have been given the opportunity to see the appraisals of W/C Shortridge (June-July 1944) and of Helgerson Ltd (27 Mar '46). I consider the Helgerson appraisal very much under a fair market value for my land and buildings and Mr Shortridge's valuation also much below a fair market value

Comment:
I have placed the value on my land & buildings (as above) at cost price to me. In my opinion values at the time of sale had increased, so I believe a fair market price for my property should have been, at least, the cost price to me. —

S. Honkawa
SIGNATURE

Sukichi Honkawa
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL PROPERTY

-11075-
Reg. No.

Type of BUSINESS	Location	Gross Turnover 1941	Average Mark Up	Net Income 1941	Estimated Value of Goodwill
Boat building	Townsite of Port Essington BC	—	no claim	for good will —	

Description of Stock-in-trade at evacuation: (Attach inventory with cost prices)	Whether prices mentioned are wholesale or retail:	I PURCHASED THE BUSINESS: Date of Purchase	Price	Value Stock Date of purchase	Value of Furniture equipment & Fixtures at date of purchase:	Value of Goodwill at date of purchase:
n/a -				n/a - started business myself.		

Stock & equipment on hand at time of evacuation

Furniture equipment and fixtures acquired after purchases:

Description	Date Acquired	New or Used at Date Acquired	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated:	Estimated value at date of Evacuation:
Stock & equipment	as needed	new.	—	fair to good	$1369.67

(See itemized list) Exs 3

EXHIBIT No. 45-2
DATE 16 Jan 1948
FILED BY
R. J. McMaster.

List of Accounts Receivable and Accounts collected by Custodian Attached: n/a

Method of Storage and arrangements made at time of evacuation: all left in cottage on my property at Port Essington, cottage locked & key handed to Const Bell, Port Essington police

Additional comments, if any:
In arriving at value set for the above, I have taken stock at cost price; ~~and~~ Equipment at what I believe was its fair market value. Taking into consideration used condition and depreciation.
In my opinion the appraisals of Mr Shortridge and of Helgerson, as to items of my equipment specified therein, are much below a fair market value for the same.

S Honkawa
SIGNATURE

BOAT BUILDER

EXHIBIT No. 45-3
DATE 16 Jan 1948
FILED BY R. J. McMaster.

S. HONKAWA

P. O. Box 28
PORT ESSINGTON, B. C., ... 19 .....

SHORT ITEMS

110	F.B.M.	1x3	Fir Flooring	@$48.00	5.28
42	"	1¼x10 and up	E.G. Fir	@ 91.00	3.82
14	"	1½x10 and up	E.G. "	@ 91.00	1.27
84	"	2x12 and up	Sel. Com. Fir	@ 42.00	3.52
					13.89
10#		2½in.	Galv. Cut Nails	@$14.34	1.43
50#		2 "	" Wire "	@ 9.04	4.52
35#		4"	" " "	@ 8.50	2.97
65#		1¾"	" Boat Nails	@16.25	10.56
11#		2½"	" Wire Nails		.88
1		½ gal. tin	White Yacht Paint		1.95
16		Assorted	Paint Brushes		9.70
75#			Putty 25#tin		4.72
31#			Caulking Cotton	@35	10.85
1	tin	1 gal.	Turpentine		1.50
25#		3"	Galv. Cut Nails	@$1374	3.44
27½#		3"	Galv. Fin. Nails	@ 9.45	2.61
8¾#		1¼"	" " "	@ 11.00	.96
19¾#		3"	" Boat Nails	@ 14.65	2.89
24#		2¼"	" " "	@ 15.60	3.74
11¼#		1"	" " "	@ 15.30	1.72
8#		1"	" " "	@ 16.50	1.32
20	only	½x14	" Carr. Bolts		3.00
4	only	L. size	Hose Clamps	@.15	.60
1	only	10"	Cleat		1.00

$84.25

BOAT BUILDER

S. HONKAWA

P. O. Box 28
PORT ESSINGTON, B. C., 19.....

1 pr.		Bow Chocks		.60
13 only	1½"	Close Nipples	@.15	1.95
22 only	1½"	Lock Nuts	@.19½	4.29
5 only	2"	" "	@.24	1.20
13¾#	1¾"	Galv. Fin. Nails	@.10½	1.44
38 only	5/16x7	Spikes	@.	1.30
8 only	5/8x10	Galv. Carr. Bolts		1.20
6 "	½x7	" " "		.60
1 only		Boat Hook		.50
4 only	#3	Deck blocks	@.60	2.40
1 len.	1¼x3	Galv. Pipe		.53
3 only	1½"	Tees (piped)		1.29
6 "	1½"	Elbows		1.38
2 "	1½"	Nipples		.40
4 "	1½"	" 3"		.64
1 "	1½"	Union		.31
6 "	1½"	Couplings		1.62
3 "	1¼"	"		.62
2 "	2"	Short Nipples		.38
2 "	1½"	Close Nipples		.30
4 "	1¼"	Short Nipples		.56
1 "	2"	Nipples 3½"		.28
6 "	¼"	~~Sheet~~ Street Elbows		.30

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BOAT BUILDER

S. HONKAWA

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4	only	$\frac{1}{4}$"	Nipples $2\frac{1}{2}$	.20
4	"	$\frac{1}{2}$x$1\frac{3}{4}$	Cap Screws	.20
3	gals		Linseed Oil	2.79
1		6"	Roof Plate	.75
1			Ford Generater	15.00
1			Bandsaw	350.00
2			Model T Ford Engine	110.00
1			Post Drill	12.00
1			Vise (large)	10.00
1			" (small)	6.50
1			Anvil	4.00
1			Blacksmith Forge & Tongues	10.00
2			Line Shafts	8.00
6			Pullies	20.00
3			Box Bearings	3.00
1			Scale	15.00
1			Capstan	50.00
1			Skiff 12' long	15,00
1	Pair		Block & Tackle	7.50
4			New Net Ropes	8.00
2			" White Net Ropes	15.00
1			" Green " "	5.00

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BOAT BUILDER

S. HONKAWA

P. O. Box 28
PORT ESSINGTON, B. C., 19

1	box		Bolt Die Set	25.00
2			Pipe Die Set	30.00
2		24"	Pipe Wrenches	6.00
2		12"	Monkey Wrenches	2.50
1		10"	Pipe Wrenches	1.75
1			Bandsaw Setter	22.00
2			Ball Hammer	2.00
1			Snatch Block	2.50
1			Blacksmith Hammer	1.00
1			Nail Hammer	1.00
1			Cold Chisel	.15
22		8"	Boat Clamps	55.00
2		12"	" "	5.50
1		10"	" "	2.75
1		4"	" "	.75
2		2"	Square Boat Clamps	8.00
3			Japanese ADZES	6.00
2			Scrubbing Brushes	.70
1			Single Axe	1.50
1	box		Wedges (three)	1.00
1		10gal.	Drum (M.T.)	2.50
1	set		Gurdy	60.00
2	sheets		Galv, Tin (small)	3.00

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BOAT BUILDER

S. HONKAWA

P. O. Box 28
PORT ESSINGTON, B. C., 19

1		Mattock	.50
1		Nail Bar	.25
1	box	Japanese Planes	25.00
1		Axe (single)	1.75
1		Auger (long)	1.15
1		Compass Saw	.50
1		Oilstove	1.00
2		Screw Drivers (large)	.90
2		Cold Chisels (long and short)	.30
1	set	Augers	5.00
2		Socket (large)	1.00
2	box	Screws 1½ and 1¼	1.00
4		Japanese Saws	7.50
1		" Square	1.25
1		Sledge Hammer	.85
1		Boat Compass	5.00
1		Coleman Gas Lantern	5.00
2		Cross Cut Saws	15.00
1		" " " and 2 handles	13.50
1		Blowtorch	5.00
1		Small Bucket	.30
1		Coleman Gas Lantern	7.50
3		Funnels (large and small)	1.00
1	box	Wrenches, Oarlocks, Blocks, COLD. CHISEL, & PLIERS..	10.00

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BOAT BUILDER

S. HONKAWA

P. O. Box 28
PORT ESSINGTON, B. C., 19

1		Coleman Gas Stove	7.00
1		Generator (Autolite)	15.00
1	box	Drafting Instruments Weights etc.	27.50
2		T Squares	1.50
1		Small Water Wheel	7.50
1	set	Gen. Nozzle and Switch Board	20.00
1		Screw Jack	15.00
1		pump Jack	35.00
2		Anchors	7.00
1		Navy Anchor (small)	6.75
1		Coal Shovel	1.50
2		Spade	2.50
1		Double Axe	1.85

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BOAT BUILDER

S. HONKAWA

P. O. Box 28
PORT ESSINGTON, B. C., 19

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NOT FOUND ON PROPERTY

1 pc.		2x14-13	Sel. Com. Fir	$1.27
1 "	B.M.	2x12-10	"	.84
	387	2x12	"	16.25
	410	1½x10-12	#3 E.G. "	37.31
	74	1x12	Sel. Com. "	2.22
	79½	2x4	" " "	2.38
30#		3"	Wire Nails	2.40
24#		2"	Fin. Nails	2.40
24 only		3/8x4½	Carr. Bolts	.84
17 "		3/8x5	" "	.59
73 only		9¼#	C.S.C. Nails	1.82
2 btl.			Orange Shellac	1.80
2 only			Stern Bearing for 7/8 Shaft	1.00
1 tin			Rich Maroon Paint	2.70
3 tin			Engine Enamel	1.05
3 only		3"	Paint Brush (Ascot)	2.50
5 only		3"	Paint Brush (Simms)	4.15
2 only		2"	" " "	1.00
5 "		1½"	" " "	1.87
1 "		1"	" " "	.18
5#		2½"	Fin. Nails	.50
4#		1½"	" "	.40
1 bar			Solder	.25
4#		3"	Copper Nails	3.20
1#			" Washers	.45
2# tin			Putty	.25
6 only		3/8x5	Lag Screws	.30
2 only		3/8x6	Carr. Bolts	.10
1 "		½x4½	" "	.05
1 "		3/8x3½	" "	.05
1 "		½x5	" "	.05
1 "		3/8x12	" "	.10
1 "			Ring Bolts	1.00
1 "			Chain Shackle	.75
16¾#		2"	BOAT NAILS	2.40

94.43½

Total 1369.67½

FORM "JP"

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FILE No. 639

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

EXHIBIT No. 45-4
DATE 16 Jan 1948
FILED BY R. J. Alexander.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: HONKAWA, Suekichi

HOME ADDRESS: Port Essington, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 11075 SEX: Male AGE: 53

OCCUPATION: Boat Carpenter

(If any business or businesses carried on, state where, under what name and whether carried on by yourself or in partnership with anyone; if partnership, give partner's name.)

EMPLOYER: Self

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Shige

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Port Essington, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Hiroshi (M) Fusaye (F) Takeo (M)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Port Essington, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 15: 12: 9: yrs.

STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Lot 7, Block 21, Subd. D.L. 45, Plan 537 Port Essington Townsite.

   The Westerly 22 ft. of Lot 13, Block1, Townsite of Port Essington, Map 537

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

   On Lot 7 a 3 room dwelling house, frame building. Lumber shed and boat shop.

   On Lot 13 a 4 room frame building used a Japanese school.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) On Lot 13 building--Fidelity-Phenix Fire Insurance., Vancouver Branch. Policy #27746 for $500. Loss Payable to Jap. Educ. Assn. policy expires May 7, 1942. Policy in possession of declarant.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) On Lot 7 - $6.14 payable to Prince Rupert Ass. Dist. On Lot 13 - $13.40 payable to Prince Rupert Ass. Dist. Both 1942 taxes paid.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

   Lot 13, Block 1, Map 537. Matsujiro Ohashi has half interest.

   Address - late Port Essington now Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C.

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Lot 7 - Self. Lot 13 - rented to the Japanese Educational Association.

Lot 7 Certificates of Title #20407 I
Lot 13 Certificate of Title #26379 I

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In Possession of declarant.

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: Matsujiro Ohashi has half interest in Lot 13.

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 3 room dwelling house at Port Essington, B. C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Self

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

None

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

None

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: None

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

Stock in trade as per list attached.

Personal effects as per list attached.

All above left in 3 room house at Port Essington, B. C. key to house with Mr. Bell

Policeman at Port Essington, B. C.

1 Steel safe left at Port Office, Port Essington, B. C. in charge of Mr. Pogson.

Lumber stored in lumber shed.

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

None

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

None

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4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)

D. Spalding $68.34 Port Essington, B. C. These debts not assigned to anyone.

P. Sterr 51.92 Port Essington, B. C. " " " " " "

M. Wesley 122.25 Port Essington, B. C. " " " " " "

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)

3 Victory Bonds @ $100 each 1951 maturity Series K-4A545364-5-6 in owner's possession. $100 War Savings Certificate #TE 2418 in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Manufacturers Life Ins. Co., Vancouver Branch. Policy #504560 20 yr. endowment for $5,000 Beneficiary wife, Shige Honkawa. Policy in declarant's Possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

Remarks: Japanese born arrived in Canada 1907 here 34 years naturalised in 1910.

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 31st day of March 1942 ~~1941~~

(Signed)

(~~Signature~~) S. Honkawa

R. A. Munns
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

COPY

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY, Suekichi HONKAWA, #11075

BOAT BUILDER

P. O. Box 28,
Port Essington, B. C.

Page 1.

1 6"	Roof Plate	.75
1 Box	Skates & Boots	No valuation
3 Boxes	Books & Magazines	35.00
X 1 Box	Toilet Papers	5.00
1 Box	Books & Stationery	No valuation
1 Kitchen Cabinet		7.00
2 Writing Desks		10.00
1 Side Board		17.00
1 Steering Sled		1.50
1 Dish Pan		1.15
2 Knives		1.00
1 Tea Tray		2.50
1 Basket		No Valuation
1 Carton	Clothing	15.00
1 Washtub		1.30
1 Washboard		.75
2 Aladdin Lamps		15.00
1 Big Ben Clock		2.40
1 Ford Generator		15.00
1 Bandsaw		350.00
2 Model T. Ford Engine		100.00
1 Post Drill		12.00
X 1 Pipe Vise		2.50
1 Vise (Large)		10.00
1 Vise (Small)		6.50
1 Anvil		4.00
1 Blacksmith Forge & Tongues		10.00
2 1¼" Line Shafts		8.00
6 Pullies		20.00
3 Box Bearings		3.00
1 Scale		15.00
1 Capstan		50.00
1 Skiff, 12' long		15.00
1 Block & Tackle		7.50
4 new green Net Ropes		8.00
2 white Net Ropes		15.00
1 green 2" Net ropes		5.00
3 Japanese Adzs.		6.00
2 Box (¼" to 2") Pipe Die Set (Large & Small)		30.00
1 Box (Set ¼ to ¾) Bolt Die Set		25.00
2 24" Pipe wrenches		6.00
X 1 Pipe cutter		2.50
2 12" Monkey Wrench		2.50
X 1 10" Pipe Wrench } 1-18" and 1-14" shipped		1.75
1 18" Pipe Wrench		2.50
1 Band Saw Setter		22.00
2 Ball Pein Hammer		2.00
1 Snatch Block		2.50
1 Blacksmith Hammer		1.00
1 Nail Hammer		1.00
1 Cold Chisel		.15
X 37 8" Boat Clamps 15 8" shipped		92.50
X 4 12" Boat Clamps 2 12" shipped		11.00
1 10" Boat Clamps		2.75
1 4" Boat Clamps		.75
2 2' Square Boat Clamp		8.00
X 4 Adjustable Clamps (Long)		5.00
2 Scrubbing Brushes		.70
X 3 Peavies 1 peavie shipped		10.00
1 Shingle Axe		1.50
1 Box Wedges (three)		1.00
1 10 Gal Drum M.T.		2.50
1 Set Gurdy		60.00
2 Sheets of Glav. Tin (Small)		3.00
1 Mattock		.50
1 Nail Bar		.25

1 Box Planes (Japanese)	25.00
1 Axe (Single)	1.75
1 Auger (Long)	1.15
1 Compass Saw	.50
1 Oilstone	1.00
2 Screw Drivers (Large)	.90
1 Each Cold Chisels (Long & Short)	.30
1 Set Augers	5.00
2 Socket (Large)	1.00
2 Boxes Screws 1½ and 1¼	1.00
4 Saws (Japanese	7.50
1 Square (Japanese)	1.25
1 Sledge Hammer	.85
1 Boat Compass	5.00
1 Coleman Gas Lantern	5.00
1 4' Steel Clamp	3.00
X 2 Cross cut saws (for logs)	15.00
1 " " " (with 2 handles)	13.50
1 Blow Torch	5.00
1 Small Bucket	.30
1 Coleman Gas Lantern	7.50
3 Funnels (Large & Small)	1.00
1 Box wrenches oarlochs & blocks cold chisel pliers	10.00
1 Coleman Gas stove	7.00
1 Generator (Autolite)	15.00
1 Box Drafting instruments weights etc.	27.50
2 T. Squares	1.50
1 Small Water Wheel	7.50
1 Generator Nozzle & Switch board	20.00
X 1 ¾ steel bed with spring	23.00
1 Screw Jack	15.00
1 Pump Jack	35.00
2 Anchors	7.00
1 Navy Anchor (Small)	6.75
1 Coal Shovel	1.50
2 spades	2.50
1 double axe	1.85
1 Parcel large platters	2.00
4 Coast Iron Boilers	10.00
2 Hot water bottles	2.00
4 boxes kitchenware	40.00
1 4 gal. tin Japanese Soup Bowls	5.00
2 boxes Stationery	2.50
1 Hamburger Machine	2.00
2 large can Kitchenware	20.00
4 Rice Pails	10.00
4 large & Small mortar	8.00
1 8 gal tin beans	4.50
7 mattresses (not legal to sell	15.00
1 baby tub	3.00
1 large kitchen clock	5.00
X 2 Bedroom mats	3.00
1 small mattress (not legal to sell)	2.00
1 Fishing Rod	3.00
X 1 Box set Dominion Educator (8 Books)	50.00
1 Box Tea Sets & Trays etc.	25.00
2 Box Safety Jars	3.00
1 Box Glassware	15.00
1 Ukulile	2.00
1 Box laundry wringer & tea Pots etc.	10.00

Approximate Total Value $1601.80, of the two pages.

The following boxes were left at Port Essington, B.C.

Number of Box	CONTENTS	
#4	Glasswares	X 1 Tub of Japanese Sauce
#5	Glasswares	1 Trunk.
#6	Sewing Machine	
#7	Kitchen Ware	
#8	Large Tool Box	
#9	Small Tool Box.	

DIVISION: "D"

DISTRICT: Prince Rupert,

DETACHMENT: Port Essington.

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FILE No.

DATE: 23/11/42

EXHIBIT No. 45-5

DATE 16 Jan 1948

FILED BY R. J. McMaster

PR. or PCR.

Nil

UNORGANIZED TERRITORY.

REPORT

Re:- HONKAWA, Suekichi - Premises B & E & Theft.

1. At 4-30 P.M. October 20th. 1942, Lee Wing, a Chinese Merchant, Port Essington, B.C. reported the above mentioned premises had been broken into.

2. The undersigned investigated immediately. The house is about one mile north east of Port Essington, on the Skeena River, it is used as a store house for Honkawa's Boat House prior to his evacuation, now in addition it has the personal effects of several other Japanese stored there.

3. The hasp had been pried off the front door to gain entrance. The door casing was marked considerable but it was impossible to discern what instrument was used. The house has two rooms on the main floor and two rooms upstairs, these were thoroughly ransacked. There is only one man living in the immediate vicinity and he had been in Prince Rupert for the past week.

H'QRS. REF.

4. It is impossible to find out what all is missing or get any special marks of identification, although the following ~~xxxxx~~ is definitely known by the undersigned to be taken.

DIV'L. REF.

Blow torch - Name unknown.
Some new paint brushes.
1½" pipe die)The stock for same was not taken. These dies
1½" " ")are stamped - Reed Mfg. Co. Erie, Pa. U.S.A.
2" " ")Pat. Pending.
1 set of "Little Giant" taps and dies ¼" - 5/8" without the stock or tap wrench or the box in which they belong.

DIST. REF.

5. During the ransacking a glass table lamp was used and left downstairs. There are recent finger-prints on the small part at the top of the chimney and on top of the base of the lamp, they are not very clear but same are being forwarded to the C.I.B. Finger-print Dept, Victoria, B.C. with a copy of this report.

DET. REF.

6. The only suspects are men off the Navy Patrol Boat, on patrol duty on the Skeena River and if successful in taking off prints would it be possible to have a check made as some might have a previous record.

7. The N.C.O. i/c. Prince Rupert District was advised by Memo. Oct. 22nd. 1942, with the above facts to enable them to keep a check on the various stores in Prince Rupert but to date it has been unsuccessful.

8. The premises were locked securily after completing investigation.

9. Extra copies of this report attached herewith in event of same being necessary.

UNCONCLUDED.

E.W. Bell
(E.W. Bell)
Constable, Reg't No 798,
i/c Port Essington Detachment.

To:- The N.C.O. i/c.,
Prince Rupert District,
Prince Rupert, B.C.

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This report should show whether its subject-matter relates to organized or unorganized territory. If organized, clearly state the particular Municipality concerned. Any report rendered under the "Government Liquor Act" should state the amount of expenses incurred in connection therewith.

EXTRACT OF W.H. SHORTRIDGE'S PORT ESSINGTON APPRAISALS (JUNE - JULY, 1944)

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EXHIBIT No. 45-6
DATE 16 Jan 1948
FILED BY R. J. McMaster.

Port Essington, B.C. Prince Rupert Land District.

No. 746. Lot 7, Bk. 21, DL 45 (S. Honkawa)

Small cottage app. 17' x 17' - 1½ story, with small leanto, and Boat building shed 60' x 20' - 22' width, fair cond., Band saw shed addn. 20' x 12', fair cond., Engine Room shed addn. 24' x 10', fair cond., and rough lumber shed about 12' x 24', poor shape.

Boat building sheds are handy, with a slip way boarded over, loosely, but enlarges work floor space, and equipped with some machinery and including the following:

1-30" Bandsaw, with A.R. W. Vancouver transfer. Looks like a rebuilt machine, but in good shape, it seems.
1 Ford engine, on frame, with drives, shafting, beltings and pullies, all in shape to run, and operate.
1 spare Ford Engine evidently as standby, not connected, but appears to be whole
Some band-saws, saw brazer is said to belong here, but did not see it.
1 Post Drill press seems in good condition.
1 Capstan on Sled Skids " " "
1 Small Blacksmith Anvil; 1 Strong Leg Vice - screw.
1 Machinist's Vice - Screw; 1 Portable Forge & Blower.
1 - 12" screw Jack, 1 Steam-box & boiler, poor shape.
Work benches racks, patterns, and quantity hardwood edgings.

This equipment ready to go should be worth $500.00 to 550.00, the shed with the above stuff another $200.00 - $750.00 or so.

The cottage is a poor old affair - looks to be worth about One Hundred fifty dollars - $150.00.

Included in the furniture is a bureau, 4 chairs kitchen, kitchen ware, old bed and bedding, of very little value.

As a going concern the house, with the few items of furniture stated as of little value, and the Boat building sheds and Equipment should be worth to one who can use them very close to Nine hundred dollars - $900.00.

N. E. ARNOLD, MGR.
NOTARY PUBLIC



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DATE 16 Jan 1948
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P.O. BOX 593,
PRINCE RUPERT, B.C.

March 27th, 1946.

Rec'd MAR 30 1946
File No. 639
Ans.
Referred

File 639,
Cat. No. 746.

Mr. F.G. Shears,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:- Re: LOT 7, BLOCK 21, Port Essington, B.C.

Acknowledging receipt of yours of March 23rd, re above, received by us yesterday, March 26th. Immediately upon receipt, we made enquiries and found that a Port Essington resident was returning on his boat within two hours, and we made arrangements for me to go with him and return on the midnight train. Otherwise it would have meant a two day stopover in Essington as there are only three trains a week. Incidentally we ran into a blizzard about half way there which continued for the rest of the day and night and did not add to the comfort of the trip.

At Port Essington I contacted John Snellman and made an inventory of the boatshed contents. The house had no contents. This house had been used as a storage place by many of the Japanese before evacuation. At the time of the auction sales in 1944, I personally supervised the removal of these goods to a location more suitable, for the sale. Nothing was left in the house and I left it locked and boarded up. It was very dilapidated even at that time. The whole front porch and steps were completely rotted out and it required some ingenuity with long planks etc to enable the removal in safety.

The inventory of the Boatshed contents with appropriate values is as follows:

One Bandsaw	$165.00	see note below.
One Post Drill	15.00	" " "
One Ford Engine in fair shape	30.00	
One Ford Engine incomplete	5.00	(has been used to supply spare
One Capstan	5.00	(parts.
One Vice	10.00	
Total	$230.00	

Re File 639, Cat. No. 746 Mar 27/46 H.G. Helgerson Ltd.

Values of Land and Buildings.

Land ----------	$10.00	(Assessed Value as given us by Prov. Assessor $7.00)
House ----------	50.00	(House has actually no value and must be torn down)
Boatshed ----------	210.00	
Total	$270.00	

Summary.

Equipment Total ---		$230.00
Land	"	10.00
Buildings	"	260.00
		$500.00

Notes re Bandsaw and Post Drill

As set forth in a former letter from us, the Set of Bits for the Post Drill and the instrument for setting a Bandsaw known as a 'Set' are both missing. Mr. Snellman tells me that it is common knowledge in Port Essington that these articles were removed from the boatshed by Constable Bell of the Provincial Police, for "protective" custody. They were never returned by him to me or to Mr. H.J. Brown. I was not aware that these articles were missing at the time of the auction sales in 1944, and in any case the question did not arise at that time, as nothing was sold from this property since we had been informed that the property was to be sold as a whole as a going concern. Time did not permit and the request had not been made of us to check the inventory of the boatshed. However at the time of the sales Mr. H.J. Brown did inform me that several other articles such as a typewriter, adding machine and a stationary engine, which did belong to contents of properties being sold at that time, having been taken over by Constable Bell for protection, and upon request by me these articles were returned by Bell and sold at the auction. These parts are very necessary to the machines and if it is possible to get them returned by Bell, who is now at Port Alice, B.C., they should certainly be obtained. We have made an overall valuation to cover these parts also, should recovery be made.

Yours very truly,

H.G. Helgerson, Ltd.

N.E. Arnold.

NEA/AMR Manager.

EXHIBIT No. 45-8
DATE 16 Jan 1948
FILED BY R.J. McMaster

639
Cat. No. 746

March 23, 1946.

Mrs. N. E. Arnold,
Messrs. H. G. Helgerson Ltd.,
216 Sixth Street,
Prince Rupert, B.C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Lot 7, Block 21, Townsite of
Port Essington, Map 537.

We confirm telegrams exchanged regarding the above property. Our Advisory Committee have approved this sale and we are recommending to Ottawa the acceptance of the offer made by you on the 11th January on behalf of your client, Mr. John Snellman, of $500.00 for Land, Buildings, and Boat Shop Equipment.

In regard to the equipment which was on this property, we are aware that some items have been sold at auction and our file indicates that the main items which remain are a bandsaw, post drill, and two Ford engines, and possibly a capstan and other items. Previous correspondence from you indicates that the contents are not the major portion of the sale. Some months ago you suggested that the first two items mentioned above would not be worth more than $250.00 and at a later date an offer of $100.00 was submitted. As the equipment is included in this sale, we should be advised of the actual items involved and their value in relation to the total purchase price so that a Bill of Sale can be prepared if required, or the sale be confirmed by letter. We will leave it to your good judgment as to the best method of supplying us with this information.

A mutually convenient date should be set with the purchaser by which the personal effects, furniture, etc., stored in the dwelling, and not included in the transaction, must be removed. We believe these premises have been broken into on more than one occasion, making adequate checking difficult, but contents should be listed, care being taken to show outside ownership wherever indicated, and everything should be separated into: (A) saleable goods, for sale by auction; (B) purely personal articles, such as religious objects, photographic albums, etc., for shipment to Vancouver for storage here; and (C) articles having no sale value, to be discarded.

Kindly advise the full name, address and occupation of the person in whose name this property is to be registered and also state whether or not the proposed registered owner is a British Subject, using the enclosed form.

Upon receipt of the above information, the necessary documents will be prepared and submitted for signature and if our recommendation is acted upon, they will be signed by the Secretary of State at Ottawa and returned.

After the documents have been registered a statement of adjustments of taxes, etc., calculated as of the date of this letter, will be prepared, including registration fees, and forwarded to you.

In the meantime, when you are able to make the necessary arrangements we will be glad to receive details of the equipment and your advice as to the apportionment of the purchase price. We appreciate that this will require more than the usual services relative to sales of real property and will expect you to submit your account covering the additional expenses.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.