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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	
					PUMP CLAIM $700.00			@ 75.10%			525.70
					1539						934.52
					23						43.26

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	
58.25	43.75		75.1%	386.95		3		
		13.12			290.60		.36	304.08

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION 1807.56

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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: We will need an Interpreter in this case, my lord. My lord, there is a minor error in this claim appearing on the face of it, I think in Clause 4 (e) (i) on the values placed on the land. I would ask to amend by reversing the values there . No.(1)should be $350.00, and No. (ii) should be $2000.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: No objection, Mr. Hunter?

MR. HUNTER: No, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right; amended accordingly.

YASUJI GOTO, the Claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q Mr. Goto, you are the claimant in this matter, is that correct? A: Yes.

Q And you swore the declaration attached to the claim? A: Yes.

Q That is your signature on the claim form and the declaration? A: Yes.

Q Mr. Goto, you owned two pieces of land?

A Yes.

Q And those were situated near Kennedy Station?

A Yes.

Q About three and one-half miles from New Westminster? A: Yes.

Q Near the Scott Road, was it?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would like to deal first with the smaller of those pieces of land, the land that

is described as the West Half of Lot 109, District Lot 440, Group 2.

THE COMMISSIONER: It need not be described. You can simply say the smaller property, Mr. Interpreter.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Those premises were adjacent to the lands on which you had your house, is that correct? A: Yes.

Q And would you tell the Commissioner when you purchased those premises?

THE COMMISSIONER: Are you referring to both?

MR. McMASTER: No, just the smaller lot I want to deal with now.

A 1940.

Q And at that time did you purchase just that part of the lot, or did you purchase more than that? A: He bought two lots together, the five acres.

Q Was that known as Lot 109, the whole piece of land? A: Yes.

Q And did he purchase that lot in his own name?

A He bought it in the name of two people.

Q I don't think my friend will object; Mr. Suzuki and yourself bought it together, did you?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: You admit, I take it, Mr. Hunter, that the assessed value of those premises in 1943 was $147.00. I think you have an assessment notice on file there.

MR. HUNTER: That is correct, yes. That is for the land and improvements.

MR. McMASTER: The land and improvements. The land was $127.00, and the improvements were assessed at $20.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: Is that the whole of Lot 109?

MR. McMASTER: No, that is the half, I believe.

MR. HUNTER: That is the remainder of the half.

MR. McMASTER: Q: What did you and Mr. Suzuki pay for the whole of Lot 109?

A $600.00.

Q And when was the land divided into the west half and the east half?

A In 1941.

MR. HUNTER: Each took half, did they?

THE COMMISSIONER: What was the assessed value?

MR. HUNTER: $147.00.

MR. McMASTER: That is on the land and improvements.

Q And did Mr. Suzuki take the east half and you took the west half? Is that correct?

A Yes.

Q I produce to you a document, witness. Have you seen that document before?

A He saw this, yes.

MR. McMASTER: I will produce it to my friend. My lord, this is a document marked J.L. No. 650 from the Department of the Secretary of State, Office of the Custodian, Japanese Evacuation Section, addressed to the claimant re the West Half of Lot 109, which I have just been referring to, advising him that the lot was sold. The advice is dated April 13th, 1944.

The sale price of the lot is stated to be $23.00. From that is deducted the registration fee of $3.00, leaving a net of $20.00. I would ask that be marked as an exhibit.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is the form J.L. 650.

MR. McMASTER: That is correct, my lord.

(FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

Q Now, was that lot cleared at the time that you were evacuated? A: Uncleared.

Q And had you erected any buildings on it?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: Now perhaps I might lead a little here, subject to my friend's objection.

THE COMMISSIONER: Lead until he does.

MR. McMASTER: Q: There were four colony houses on that land, is that correct?

A I don't know what a colony house is.

Q It is a colony house for chickens?

A Yes, there were four chicken houses.

Q And what was the size of each one of those houses?

A 10 x 12.

Q And had he built those all there himself?

A Yes.

Q When? A: 1940.

Q And did he have anybody help him build the houses? A: Yes, he had the assistance of a carpenter.

Q Does he recall about how much it cost him for materials for those four houses?

A $280.00.

Q Was that for materials only?

A Including labour and materials.

Q Can he give us any estimate of just the materials that went into it?

THE COMMISSIONER: Why break it down? Is that not sufficient for our purposes?

MR. McMASTER: Well, I don't want him to get mixed up on cross-examination, that is the only thing, my lord. The other question I would like to get clear there.

Q Included in that $280.00, are you including anything for your own time and labour?

A What is the question again?

Q Included in that $280.00 are you including anything for your own time and labour?

A Yes.

Q How much? A: $70.00.

Q Now, for what purpose didyou use these colony houses? A: I think his meaning is a brooder house. It was in the nature of a brooder house.

Q Yes. How long have you been a chicken farmer, if I might use that phrase?

A From 1930.

Q Yes, and were these colony houses suitable buildings in which to house chickens as a brooder house?

A Yes, they were.

Q Were these houses affixed to the land? That is, were they actually in the land or were they

built on the land and moveable?

A They were moveable.

MR. HUNTER: My lord, it might just be that I am stupid, but I don't see the significance of them being moveable.

THE COMMISSIONER: I am sorry, Mr. Hunter, I did not hear you.

MR. HUNTER: I don't see the significance in them being moveable. Is he trying to make out they are chattels because they were moveable?

MR. McMASTER: My lord, in the appraiser's report, which I am not putting in, but which I must meet, these were shown as in the middle of a bush, and not of any value. My point in bringing that evidence out is they had some value, if not in the spot where they were, then somewhere else.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: Were they built on sleds, would you ask him?

A I don't know the Japanese word for "slabs".

Q No, sled. A: Oh, sled?

Q Yes.

MR. McMASTER: My friend tells me he probably wouldn't understand that phrase, my lord. My friend thinks he might understand the word "sleigh".

THE COMMISSIONER: Excuse me a moment, Mr. Upton. Suppose your assistant puts the question to him, Mr. McMaster.

(Question put by Mr. Kobiashi).

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, Mr. Upton, you might translate it.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Would you just repeat your answer, Mr. Goto?

THE INTERPRETER: I am afraid I can't get this.

MR. McMASTER: Would my friend be satisfied to have our man's interpretation of his answer, subject to checking with the Interpreter?

THE COMMISSIONER: Mr. Hunter?

MR. HUNTER: I wouldn't be a dash bit satisfied, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, let it go at that.

MR. McMASTER: Perhaps you might ask the question again.

THE INTERPRETER: No, I can't get what he said. He said it was moveable in some method which he could not convey to me.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well I think that is good enough.

MR. McMASTER: Q: I want now, Mr. Goto, to refer to the main piece of land which is known as Lot 110 on which your house was built.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is No. 2 on your claim.

MR. McMASTER: No. 2 on the claim, my lord. Before I go on to that, I suppose, my lord, I should ask this question.

Q You have in your claim placed a value on this land of the West Half of 109 at $350.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: I do not think we need go into that. You have made the amendment. Why not go on and improve the other land?

MR. McMASTER: I am satisfied to leave it there. I have shown, in other words, the basis of his claim. I was wondering whether there was any necessity to have him re-swear that is his idea of the value.

THE COMMISSIONER: You are now dealing with No. 1, are you?

MR. McMASTER: I went back to that.

THE COMMISSIONER: How much was this property worth?

MR. McMASTER: That is the West Half of 109.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is in January, 1943.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, that is in January, 1943.

THE INTERPRETER: A: $750.00.

Q No. Oh, I see, the West Half of Lot 109, or is that the whole of 109?

A Yes.

Q $750.00? A: $750.00.

MR. HUNTER: This is which property -- No. 1?

MR. McMASTER: I am sorry, but I want to make sure I have this clear.

THE INTERPRETER: Are you referring to a new lot?

Q No, I am referring to the west half of 109, the half lot which we have just been talking about? A: $350.00.

Q That is better, and how do you arrive at that value? A: When he bought the lot it cost $600.00, and half of that is $300.00, and he improved it by putting the colony houses on it which he estimates for the balance.

Q He also owned Lot 110 next door to that?

A Yes.

Q Now that property was near Kennedy and about 3½ miles from Westminster?

A Yes.

Q And about three-quarters of a mile from the Kennedy Public School? A: Yes.

Q And the property was fenced? That is the east part of the property was fenced and the south part was fenced? He would understand "fence" in English.

A Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Did you refer to the east and south boundaries as being fenced?

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord.

Q And the area of that lot was approximately five acres? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: Now my friend, perhaps, will admit the assessed value in 1943 on that land was $261.00.

MR. HUNTER: That is correct.

MR. McMASTER: And on the improvements $1800.00.

MR. HUNTER: Yes, right.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Now how much of that five acres approximately was cleared?

A Three acres and a half.

Q And did he have some of that cleared acreage planted? A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: How much?

MR. McMASTER: Perhaps, my lord, he would admit the estimates.

A About two acres.

Q About two acres under cultivation?

A In crop.

Q And what plants or crops did you have planted?

A Currants, apples, cherries, gooseberries,--currants.

Q Any strawberries? A: Yes, strawberries.

Q About how many? About how much of the cultivated acreage was planted in strawberries?

THE COMMISSIONER: How does that affect it?

MR. McMASTER: I am prepared to leave it alone, my lord.

Q Now, what other use did you put this land to besides the growing of certain fruits?

A Chicken houses.

Q Did you operate a chicken farm on those premises?

A Yes.

Q And just immediately before evacuation, about how many chickens did you have?

A 1500, all hens.

Q And anything else? A: One thousand baby chicks.

Q Those don't form part of this claim, Mr. Goto, is that right?

A Yes.

Q You sold all those before you left?

A Yes.

Q Now with respect to Lot 110 on which your house was, when did you buy that lot?

A 1929.

Q And when you bought the lot was it cultivated

at all? A: No, there was nothing there at all.

Q There were no buildings on it?

A No, there wasn't.

Q What did you pay for it?

A $250.00.

Q Yes. Now, who cleared the land, that is that portion that was cleared?

A He did.

Q Now the valuator's report that I have here indicates that part of the cultivated portion was used for growing fruits and vegetables, and another part was used as poultry runs and buildings, is that correct?

THE COMMISSIONER: He has told us that in effect.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Yes. Now in the cultivated part how long had you grown berries or fruit there?

A From 1930.

Q And did you keep the land fertilized?

A He used fertilizer.

Q How often? A: Yearly.

Q And what kind of fertilizer?

THE COMMISSIONER: How are we concerned with that?

MR. McMASTER: My lord, the reason for that is on reading through the report of the Public Accounts Committee, the background out of which the appointment of this Commission arose, certain allegations were made concerning this land in the Fraser Valley, that it had been burned out by reason of the abuse of the land,

and I think under the circumstances -- I don't know what my friend will adduce in evidence -- I am anxious to show whether it is so, that is that the land was cared for and properly fertilized.

MR. HUNTER: It is right in the Appraiser's report. That is the only thing we are going to use. It says it was all right.

MR. McMASTER: In one spot it says it is sandy loam.

MR. HUNTER: It varies. It isn't all the same type of land, that is the point.

THE COMMISSIONER: It is not essential.

MR. McMASTER: If my friend is prepared to agree that no part, to use the phrase that has been used -- that there is no suggestion this land was burned out that would be sufficient.

THE COMMISSIONER: Why not ask him the question bluntly, was the land fertile, or was it burned out?

MR. McMASTER: Q: Was the land fertile or was it burned out?

A It was good land.

Q At the time of your evacuation there was a house on this land, is that right, Mr. Goto?

A Yes.

Q And according to this appraisal report that I have, it was 26 x 34 in size.

A He says 26 x 28. He says there was something at the back. There was a sort of kitchen.

Q There was a sort of kitchen or a lean-to attached, is that it?

A Yes.

Q Now how many rooms were there im the house?

A Five.

Q And how high was the house? That is, how many storeys? A: A two-storied house.

Q What rooms were there downstairs and what rooms upstairs?

A The upper half was a sort of attic.

Q Unfinished? A: No, he didn't say unfinished.

Q Would you ask him that? The upstairs was unfinished, was it?

A Yes.

Q And there were five rooms downstairs, did I understand you to say?

A Five rooms downstairs.

Q And it was a frame house?

A Yes, it was.

Q And how was the outside finished?

A It was finished. The outside was finished.

Q In what way? What kind of a finish -- stucco or siding or what?

A Siding.

Q And was it painted? A: Yes.

Q Now when was the house built?

MR. HUNTER: Excuse me, my lord. I think my friend, Mr. McMaster, is just going over these various items set forth. Can the witness read English? Couldn't you show it to him and ask him if they are correct, or something? It might speed it up a little, I don't know.

MR. McMASTER: Well, as to the description of the size, that is about all.

THE COMMISSIONER: Are you questioning the appraisal report as to the description of the building?

MR. McMASTER: In some respects.

THE COMMISSIONER: Why not confine the evidence of this witness as to the respects in which you do criticize it?

MR. McMASTER: Very well, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: It will take a terrific time if all this has to go through the Interpreter.

Q In what year was it built?

A 1934.

MR. McMASTER: Q: And who built it?

A The carpenter.

Q Did he have anything to do himself with the building of it?

A Yes, he helped the carpenter.

Q Now can he estimate for me very roughly how much the cost of the materials were that were put into it?

A $1550.00.

Q And does he recall roughly how much he paid the carpenter for his assistance?

A $300.00.

Q Now, also on that property was an incubator house, size 14 x 16, approximately, built out of wood?

A What was the size?

Q Approximately 14 x 16. A: Yes.

Q And did you build that house yourself?

A Yes.

Q About what year? A: 1932.

Q And approximately how much did it cost you for materials? A: $100.00.

Q And also on the lot there were five poultry houses or chicken houses, is that correct?

A Yes.

Q And did you build those yourself?

A Yes.

Q And the size of those houses are approximately what was shown on the Farm Appraisal Report that you have seen a copy of, is that right?

A Yes.

Q And were all those houses built at the same time?

A No, he didn't build them all at the same time.

Q Between what years did he build those houses?

A Between 1930 and 1939.

Q Were one or more of them built in 1939?

A He built one in 1939.

Q Yes. Can you give us any rough estimate, Mr. Goto, of the cost for materials only that went into building those five chicken houses?

What did he say?

A Five houses?

Q Yes. A: $3000.00.

MR. HUNTER: There is some mistake there, isn't there?

MR. McMASTER: No, that is correct. If you look at the dimensions they are fair-sized establishments.

Q Now, you also built a woodshed and storehouse that are described on this valuation report?

A Yes.

Q And when did you build those?

A In 1931.

Q And approximately how much did they cost?

A $150.00.

Q Yes, and you also built a chicken house which is referred to on this valuation report as a colony house, about 10 x 12, is that right?

A Yes.

Q When did you build that?

A In 1935.

Q Now, were there any other structures on the premises?

THE COMMISSIONER: You have not got the material cost of the colony house.

MR. McMASTER: I am sorry. Could you give us the approximate estimate of what it cost you to build that colony house?

A $280.00.

Q Now, just a minute. I think there is some confusion there. I am talking about the colony house on Lot 110 -- another chicken house on Lot 110, the lot that his house was on.

A $20.00.

Q In the building of these various sheds and chicken houses that we have just been discussing, did you employ any labour?

A Yes.

Q And is the cost of that labour included in the estimates that you have given?

A They are not in.

Q I see. Now about the time that you were to be evacuated, you made some arrangement with a Mr. Hambleton to have him lease the premises?

A Yes.

Q And do you remember for what rental you rented the premises to him?

A $10.00 per month.

Q And did you consider that that was a fair value for the premises as a rental?

A He thought that it was a little cheap.

Q Why did he rent it to him at that rental?

A It was for the purpose of this man looking after his property, and generally taking care of it. That is why he accepted the cheap rate.

Q Now, Mr. Goto, what were your means of water supply on these premises?

A He had a well with a pump.

Q Yes, and would you tell us what kind of a pump that was? A: It was an electric pump.

Q Yes, and when had he purchased the pump?

A In 1936.

Q And does he recall what he paid for the pump and the pipe connected with it?

A $600.00.

Q And what arrangements did you make for installing the pump?

THE INTERPRETER: I can't get him to understand this, I don't think.

Q Let me put it this way; did that price of $600.00 include putting the pump into your house?

A The $600.00 price comprised only the pump and the pipe.

Q Yes, now who put it into your house?

A A merchant or the seller came and put it in.

Q And did you have to pay for that?

A Yes.

Q Do you recall approximately how much you did pay for that?

A $50.00.

Q And in what sort of working condition was the pump when you left the premises and evacuated?

A It was im good condition.

THE COMMISSIONER: I assume you will be a bit longer, Mr. McMaster.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, I will, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: I think we will take a break here for a short time.

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AFTER SHORT RECESS)

MR. McMASTER: My lord, just before we adjourned, we were discussing a pump which was on these premises. I notice im the valuation report which my learned friend will be putting in, or in the appraisal report, that they deal with it as part of the land, and I think that is possibly the proper way of dealing with it. The Claimant, however, not being versed in such things, has claimed for it as a chattel. I don't think it matters materially as long as it has been set

forth here. I wonder if, perhaps, my learned friend would admit in view of the material that is in his file that there were three incubators in the egg house on these premises.

MR. HUNTER: Yes, my lord. These incubators were there when they made an inventory on September 8th, 1942, and some time after that they were missing.

THE COMMISSIONER: I see.

MR. HUNTER: We have no knowledge as to what happened to them.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. McMASTER: With regard to these incubators -- I had better put the question first.

YASUJI GOTO, resumed the stand, testified further as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED BY MR. McMASTER:

Q When you evacuated from the premises, were there three incubators on the premises?

A Yes.

Q Could you tell us what makes those incubators were? A: Charter and Jubilee.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: How many Charter and how many Jubilee? A: He said there was one Charter and one Jubilee. The other one he doesn't know what the make was.

MR. McMASTER: Q: And what size was the Jubilee incubator? A: 540.

Q And when did you purchase that one?

A In 1932.

Q And what did you pay for it when you purchased it? A: $50.00.

Q And in what condition was it at that time?

A It was an old incubator.

Q It was an used incubator?

A He said it was old.

Q What sort of working condition was it in when he purchased it? A: It was in good condition, or good working order.

Q And in what condition was that incubator when you left the premises?

A It was in good condition.

Q Yes. Did he give the size -- I am sorry.

A Yes, 540.

Q Now, the Charter incubator, when did you purchase that one? A: In 1932.

Q And what size was that one?

A 540.

Q Was it new or used when you purchased it?

A It was a used one.

Q And in what condition was it then?

A It was all right.

Q And how much did you pay for it?

A $50.00.

Q And when you were evacuated from the premises, what condition was it in then?

A It was in good condition.

Q Have you any idea, witness, as to how long an incubator can be used without having to be replaced? A: He doesn't know.

Q I see. Now this third incubator, the trade name of which you don't know, what size was that?

A 640.

Q And when did you purchase that one?

A In 1936.

Q And was it new or used when you purchased it?

A It was a new one.

Q And how much did you pay for it?

A $105.00.

Q And in what condition was that when you were evacuated from the premises?

A It was im good condition.

Q Now when you let Mr. Hambleton have these premises, what arrangement did you make with regard to the household goods and chattels and the tools and equipment about the farm with him?

A He told him he could use these. He told him he could use these tools and various things.

Q And was any list or inventory made at that time in whole or im part of the household furnishings and tools and equipment?

A Yes. He wrote down details.

Q I produce to you a document. Can you identify your signature on that document? What does he say?

A He says that is his signature.

Q Do you recognize or know whose signature that is up above your own there?

A Yes, he does.

Q Whose is it? A: Mrs. Hambleton.

Q That is the wife of the man to whom you rented the premises? A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Are you putting that in?

MR. McMASTER: I just want my friend to see it. I don't think he has yet, my lord. I would ask that be marked Exhibit 2.

(INVENTORY MARKED EXHIBIT No. 2).

Q Now, after you were evacuated, Mr. Goto, were you for a time sent to Hastings Park?

A Yes.

Q And did you at any time produce this list to any representative of the Custodian's department?

A Yes.

Q Whereabouts? A: In Hastings Park.

MR. McMASTER: Now I would ask my learned friend to produce for filing, my lord, a statement purporting to be signed by the tenant which is on file with the Custodian. Before proceeding with that, I would like to come back to Exhibit 2, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Go ahead.

MR. McMASTER: Q: On Exhibit 2, which is the document that you just identified, Mr. Goto, there are certain money values set opposite each of these articles? A: Yes.

Q Do those represent the value which you placed upon those articles at the time that this list was made? A: He says he wrote those values down at the time that he made the paper.

Q And did Mrs. Hambleton agree that those were reasonable values for the property shown on that list? A: No, she didn't. She didn't see those.

Q She hadn't seen the articles when she signed that?

A No.

Q So that represents his own estimate at that time?

A That was merely his idea of prices.

Q Right.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I have run into difficulties here. This document is written in English. To have the man identify these things as his belongings requires a translation into Japanese.

THE COMMISSIONER: What is it, an inventory?

MR. McMASTER: It is an inventory made by the tenant.

THE COMMISSIONER: An inventory made by the tenant?

MR. McMASTER: It was in possession of the Custodian.

THE COMMISSIONER: Did the Custodian's representative check the inventory at the time it was made by the tenant?

MR. McMASTER: There is no indication on this document that that is so.

MR. HUNTER: I couldn't tell you that, my lord. It was just a document in the file. I don't know whether it was something they requested or whether they actually checked it.

THE COMMISSIONER: Was there any inventory made by the Custodian, apart from this document?

MR. HUNTER: Yes, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: You can put them both in together. If there are any discrepancies, they will show.

MR. McMASTER: Perhaps my friend would admit it.

MR. HUNTER: This is a list that the tenant produced to the Custodian.

MR. McMASTER: Admitting these were the goods of this claimant?

THE COMMISSIONER: Do you go that far?

MR. HUNTER: May I see it again?

MR. McMASTER: This is subject to those he has crossed out and marked. I haven't checked it.

MR. HUNTER: It would certainly appear that way. A certain number of items are marked off in pencil with an "X" opposite them, and someone has marked on it, "Things that do not belong to Goto marked with an X", which means the goods belong to the tenant. I think it is probably the same as this other.

THE COMMISSIONER: Why not put both the Custodian's inventory and the tenant's list in?

MR. McMASTER: I am prepared to put the other one in.

MR. HUNTER: That is probably a copy of our inventory and the tenant has struck off what belonged to her. That is probably what did happen.

MR. McMASTER: This will be Exhibit No. 3.

(INVENTORY MARKED EXHIBIT No. 3).

MR. McMASTER: And my friend is producing, and I am filing as an exhibit, my lord, a document headed "Report on Evacuated Japanese Property", dated September 8th, 1942, in the name of this

claimant.

THE COMMISSIONER:. The tenant's list is Exhibit 3, and the Custodian's list Exhibit 4.

MR. McMASTER: That is correct, my lord.

(REPORT MARKED EXHIBIT No. 4).

MR. McMASTER: And I take it that the Custodian, or rather Mr. Hunter, is admitting that the chattels shown on his inventory were the property of the Claimant and were on the premises?

MR. HUNTER: Now, wait a minute.

MR. McMASTER: It is your inventory.

MR. HUNTER: Well, I think you will find that other invetory there is a copy of this which has been furnished by the tenant and she has then struck off what were her chattels. I think you will find that list is identical with the other one, and she has struck off certain things.

MR. McMASTER: Yes. Well then, all we can say about this document is it is an inventory that you took about September 8th, 1942, of all the goods and chattels on the premises.

MR. HUNTER: I think that is a fair assumption, yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: The Custodian's list, Exhibit 4, is an inventory taken by the Custodian of all the goods on Goto's premises as of September 8th, 1942.

MR. HUNTER: Yes, including the tenant's goods.

MR. McMASTER: Well, it doesn't say so on that, but the tenant's list show they claim certain things. I am trying, my lord, to shorten this

down as much as I can.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, I understand.

MR. McMASTER: Now I would ask my friend to produce a memorandum, dated Hastings Park, August 26th, 1942, signed by George B. Spain, and I would ask my friend to admit that Mr. Spain was an agent or servant of the Custodian.

MR. HUNTER: That is correct, your Lordship.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, witness, I have here a list of goods that Mr. Spain said were delivered to Hastings Park. Does this list include chattels which you left on your premises? Just read the list if you would.

A I have read this out to him.

Q Yes. Now did you have goods corresponding to all those items on your premises when you left them?

A He says he doesn't think he had the kitchen stove.

Q Did he have a kitchen stove at the house on Lot 110? A: He had the stove of a friend there.

Q Then he didn't have a kitchen stove?

A No.

Q Now aside from the kitchen stove, are the rest of the items descriptive of property of his that he had on his premises?

A He didn't have a gas stove.

MR. HUNTER: I am sorry, Mr. McMaster, I didn't get your last question. Would you mind having it repeated again?

(Question and Answer read by Reporter).

MR. McMASTER: Q: What about the other items on that list? A: No, the blowtorch wasn't his.

Q And the rest of the items were?

A Yes.

Q Were those things delivered to you at Hastings Park, Mr. Goto? A: No.

Q Did you ever see them again after you left your premises? A: He says he has seen them since. I don't think he quite understands what we are getting at.

Q Mr. Goto, you have said that certain items on this list excluding the kitchen range, the small gas stove, and the blowtorch, are descriptive of goods that you owned before you moved away. Just tell him that much, if you would?

A Yes, he says he said that.

Q Now, what I want to know is Mr. Spain says those were taken to Hastings Park. Now you said you didn't receive them at Hastings Park, is that correct? A: Yes.

Q And I now want to know whether you ever received those things from the Custodian or anyone else?

A No.

MR. McMASTER: I would like that marked as the next exhibit, my lord.

(MEMORANDUM MARKED EXHIBIT No. 5).

MR. McMASTER: Mr. Hunter, I would like to be advised in this case and in other cases whether you

intend to file the reports that you have on the sale of the chattels of these people.

MR. HUNTER: If, my lord, I consider that the evidence warrants it and if they have sufficient evidential value, I shall probably be filing them, but if you want to file them now, you may.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, included in that list, Mr. Goto, there were some pieces of plate glass -- I am sorry, included in Exhibit No. 2, which was the document signed by yourself and Mrs. Hambleton, were included some pieces of glass, is that correct?

A Yes.

Q What kind of glass was that?

A 16 x 16, 12 x 24.

Q And you gave some value to that on this statement which is Exhibit 2?

A Yes.

Q Now, in your claim form, Mr. Goto, you have set out chicken hose feeders, tools, etc. Are those the items to which you refer in that claim contained in the lists that have been presented to you here today?

THE COMMISSIONER: I think the best way to approach it is to use the claim.

A Which are the items? Just the chicken hose, feeders and the tools?

MR. McMASTER: Q: Yes. Are those items he refers to there included in the list we have shown you today?

A In the Hambleton list?

Q Actually Exhibit No. 2 is the only one he has seen, yes. The list signed by himself and Mrs. Hambleton. A: Yes.

Q And your estimate of the value of those items, that is the total value, is $180.70?

A Yes.

Q Now, in the next item in your claim, you refer to household utensils, tools, furniture, etc.

A Yes.

Q Are the tools that you refer to in that portion of your claim the same tools or different tools from those in item No. 3?

A They are different.

Q And the tools, are those referred to in Exhibit No. 4? A: He says he has written them down on that paper there.

Q They are all on that paper?

THE COMMISSIONER: That is Exhibit 2 now.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord.

A Yes.

Q All of the items that he refers to in Exhibit No. 4 are on that list that he and Mrs. Hambleton signed? A: Yes.

Q And his estimate of the total value of those items is $140.00? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: Now, I am wondering whether the Custodian or Mr. Hunter will admit that all this man received for his chattels was $34.04.

Q Mr. Goto, the Custodian's account shows that you received $37.01 for your personal chattels. Now, on your claim form you had put the figure im at $34.04. Are you prepared to admit if the Custodian's accounts show the larger figure, that that is what you received?

A He received from the Custodian $34.01?

Q No, the Custodian shows $37.01. I think, Mr. Interpreter, if you would --

A I think we better take it in sections.

Q --tell him, first of all, the Custodian's account shows he received $37.01. Now then, would you tell him on his claim form he showed he had received $34.04?

A He said yes.

Q Now, is he prepared to admit that the Custodian's account -- if the Custodian's account shows that amount of $37.01, that the Custodian's account is probably correct?

MR. HUNTER: There is a difference of $3.00 -- $37.04.

A He is very suspicious on this question. He thinks im his mind it embarrasses the whole claim. He thinks he is committing himself.

MR. McMASTER: I think it would be proper on behalf of this Claimant to admit the $37.04. Apparently there is an item of $3.00 for the sale of a rural mail box that he doesn't likely tie in to his chattels.

THE COMMISSIONER: I see.

MR. HUNTER: Excuse me, my lord, just in case Mr. McMaster doesn't appreciate it, those are net amounts.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, with regard to your household effects and tools and equipment generally, Mr. Goto, what sort of condition were they in when you left the premises?

A He said they were old.

MR. HUNTER: They were which?

MR. McMASTER: They were old.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: I take it he means old but serviceable for his purposes?

A Yes, that is correct, my lord.

MR. McMASTER: That is all, my lord.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. HUNTER:

Q Mr. Goto, you have given many costs of property and sales. What knowledge would you have as to their sale price at the time when the sale was made as to their value, that is their fair market value?

MR. McMASTER: My lord, before the witness answers that question, I think you ought to explain to him, as you did ~~a~~ to one witness the other day, as to what the words "fair market value" mean; that is someone willing to sell and someone willing to buy at a price.

THE COMMISSIONER: I would suggest putting the question first and then I will give him the explanation as to fair market value.

A He said he bases it on the price -- he mainly bases it on the price at which he bought.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: Is that when they were new -- the price at which he bought when they were new? A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, relative to your suggestion, Mr. McMaster, I am very doubtful whether we are going to, even with the able assistance of the Interpreter, convey to this witness what is meant. He is obviously basing his estimates on new prices and I think we will take it at that and go on and deal with the evidence on that footing.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord, although I don't think, judging from his evidence -- perhaps this is a matter I can leave to your Lordship, that in other words he is claiming those prices and the evidence he is giving is what he paid for these things in putting the value in the claim, and he has not totalled up all those or put down the new price.

THE COMMISSIONER: I think you will have to leave it now. I would not feel very satisfied in attempting to convey to the witness what we want to know.

MR. HUNTER: I was trying to find out for the purpose of the record if he had any knowledge of sale prices and prices received.

THE COMMISSIONER: You might ask him if the values he has given are his own estimate of the values

at the effective date, January 1st, 1943, is it?

MR. HUNTER: That is what I contend. Mr. McMaster may have an argument on it.

MR. McMASTER: We might say in the early part of 1943 and compromise between the two dates.

MR. HUNTER: I think it has become apparent, my lord, these are estimates of his, but I was wondering if, in addition to his estimates, he has any knowledge of sales.

THE COMMISSIONER: I think we have the answer, anyway. He answered his counsel's question.

MR. McMASTER: To shorten these proceedings, not in this particular case because we have dealt with it, I am prepared to undertake with my learned friend that if the people we represent have any particular knowledge of values that we will endeavour to bring it out in examination in order that he can cross-examine them. If we don't bring that out in examination, then he can take it as an admission on our part that it is their estimate. Perhaps it might shorten it.

THE COMMISSIONER: It might facilitate matters. Thank you, Mr. McMaster.

MR. HUNTER: I don't know how to get these questions across to him. Any complicated question upsets him. If you remember, when he was estimating the value of the small, vacant lot, he pointed out it cost $600.00, and he estimated his half was worth $300.00 and the other $50.00 he said

were due to the improvements with the colony houses. In other words, he allowed $50.00 for the colony houses. Then there appears to be a colony house -- one of them -- over on the other property, but he still claimed for four colony houses at a price of $280.00. Is that a discrepancy or a mistake?

MR. McMASTER: I am sorry, my lord, I overlooked that. I think what I should do is reduce the colony house to the $50.00 or, alternatively, I think in view of his evidence it would be fair to abandon this claim as a chattel for the colony house and leave his value of the land with that on as an improvement.

THE COMMISSIONER: It can be taken then that the claim for four colony houses -- what is it, $50.00?

MR. HUNTER: $280.00.

MR. McMASTER: It is the $280.00 on his claim form. I would suggest that we eliminate that and increase the value of No. 2 on the real estate, $150.00 for improvements.

THE COMMISSIONER: Let me have the form. I have not it before me now.

MR. McMASTER: He said about $700.00, didn't he? He had paid $600.00 but he figured it was worth $700.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: Let me understand you now, Mr. McMaster. What is your proposal?

MR. McMASTER: My suggestion, my lord, is it will be

subject to how you value his evidence, that we eliminate item No. 5 on the personal chattel claim.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: And that we increase what originally was shown as item No. 2 in 4 (e) from $350.00 to $350.00 for land and $50.00 for improvements.

THE COMMISSIONER: $300.00 for land, was it not, and $50.00 for improvements?

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I think I would have to go back over his evidence to make sure of it. I thought he had said while he paid $600.00, he valued the whole piece of land at $700.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: I have a note on it, I think. I think I have it accurately. No. 1 property worth $350.00 because cost $300.00, improvements at $50.00, value total $350.00.

MR. HUNTER: That is what I have, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: The improvement was a colony house, I think.

MR. McMASTER: The thing I had in mind, my lord, was it may be in view of the general evidence that is given as to the increased values of land that your lordship might find that land which cost $300.00 in 1940 had increased in value in 1943, and at the present time the total claim this man makes on his claim form for these pieces of land with the improvements on is $650.00. I am prepared to abandon something on the basis of the evidence where

it is shown as a chattel, but I do feel in view of the evidence he has given, he should be entitled to amend his claim form to show the value of No. 2 with the improvement on it at $400.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, No. 1 is $350.00?

MR. McMASTER: Yes, I am sorry, No. 1 as amended.

THE COMMISSIONER: You wish to amend that to read $400.00. You will have to evaluate the evidence as I view it.

MR. McMASTER: That is correct, my lord, and subject to subsequent evidence of evaluators.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is quite clear? What I propose to do is to allow an amendment to the property shown as No. 1, increasing the claim from $350.00 to $400.00 and to strike out the chattel claim No. 5 for $280.00.

MR. HUNTER: I presume also, my lord, that you are transposing the $700.00 from there and putting it in the real property valuation, are you?

THE COMMISSIONER: Well I do not know that it is very material. It is there.

MR. HUNTER: It is purely because it is obviously a fixture.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. That will reduce the chattel claim to $1156.16.

MR. HUNTER: That is all, my lord.

(Witness aside)

(Claimant's Case Concluded)

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

T.P. Horrobin

"T.P. Horrobin"
Official Reporter.

Case no 5, Kamloops NOV 19 1947 9th Dec. 1947

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.

ack

Yes 8 Kamloops

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

(1) NAME Goto (Print) Surname Yasuji Given Name (RCMP) Reg. No. 12652.

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Gibson Road R.R.No.1 New Westminster, B.C.

(3) Present Address Pritchard, B. C.

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) No.1. Gibson Rd. R.R.no.1 Newwestminster, B.C.
No.2. 1327 Gibson Rd. R.R.No.1 New Westminster, B.C.
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
No.1 .The westerly half of lot 109 of lot 440, GP.2 map 1133 being all that portion of said lot laying west of a strait line bi secting the north & south boundaries thereof D. N.W., Mun. of Delta C of E 52490.
No.2 Lot 110 of lot440 TP. 2 map 1133 D. of N.W., Mun. of Delta C of E 52491.

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

(i) Farm
(ii) Residence Type of business
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) chiken ranch

(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 (No.2. 2000. No.1 ~~350.~~ 400.) - - - $ 2350.00

(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 7090.00

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

(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 9440.00

(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ 1562.00

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ 7878.00

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation
at home Gibson Rd. R.R.No.1 New Westminster, B.C.

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

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation

(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")

F.W.Hambleton of R.R.No.1 New Westminster, B.C.

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

1.	220 ps. plate glass16x16. 38 ps. 12x24	Estimated Value $	19.50
2.	3 Incubaters 540 size	Estimated Value $	150.00
3.	chiken hose feeders, tools, etc.	Estimated Value $	180.70
4.	Household utencils, tools, furnitures, etc.	Estimated Value $	140.00
5.	~~4 coloney houses~~	Estimated Value $	~~280.00~~
6.	electric water pump with completed.	Estimated Value $	700.00
7.	total	Estimated Value $	1470.20
8.	Less sold by Custodian & credited	Estimated Value $	34.04
9.		Estimated Value $	1436.16
10.		Estimated Value $	1156.16

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $ 1156.16

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) - $ 9314.16

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

Kamloops, B.C.

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

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, Yasuji Goto of the
of Pritchard 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 City)
of Kamloops)
in the Province of British Columbia)
this 17th. day of November)
A.D. 1947.) Yasuji Goto

A Commissioner &c. A Commissioner for taking Affidavits within British Columbia

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.

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J.L. No. 650

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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

File No. 8644

Reg. No. 12652

EXHIBIT No. 65-1
DATE 9 Dec 1947
FILED BY R. J. McMaster

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

APR 13 1944

Mr. Yasuji GOTO,
Slocan Extension, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Gibson Road, R. R. No. 1, New Westminster, B. C.
The westerly half of Lot 109 of Lot 440 Gp. 2
Map 1133 being all that portion of said lot lying
west of a straight line bisecting the north and
south boundaries thereof D. of N.W., Mun. of Delta, C. of E. 52490.

You have previously been advised that a sale of lands in rural districts was entered into between this Department and The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Due to the size of this transaction, the arrangements for same and the completion of the transfer have taken a considerable time. Negotations were started in the early part of 1943 and were based upon valuations made by qualified appraisers and on the basis of a sale effective as at January 1st of that year. This means that the 1943 revenues from the property were for the benefit of the purchasers, but that taxes, fire insurance and other operating charges were assumed by them.

The following is a statement showing the sale price and adjustments:

Sale price of above described property		$ 23.00
Add:		
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943		
		23.00
Less:		
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	$	
Registration fee	3.00	
Encumbrance—Principal		
—Interest		3.00
Net proceeds of sale		$ 20.00

This amount has been placed to your credit and a statement of your account is endorsed hereon showing the present balance on our books. A small amount for legal fees in connection with the conveyance to the Veterans' land will be charged later.

Yours truly,

F. G. SHEARS,
Director.

Ex. 2

Glasses = 16 by 14 = 220. $13.00
" = 12 " 24 = 38 $ 6.50
Gas Lgn = 2 = 5 Gal. ~~$5.00~~ 1.60
Coal Brooder stove = 1 7.00
Incubator = 3 of 540 (hatching egg) $150.00
1 Gal. Chick water fountain (stoneware) " tops = 12 sucers. $12.00
½ " " " " (Tin) = 6 $3.60
1 " " " " = 16 12.80

EXHIBIT No. 65-2
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Hay fork = 1 $1.20
Square shovel = 1 1.00
Round " = 1 1.00
Pick = 1 1.20
Spade = 2 2.00
Oil Paint = 1 = 1 Gal. 4.00
G. G. = 1 = ½ Gal. 1.50
Wire netting = 3 ft. high with 3 quater mesh = 20 ft. 6.00
" " = 1¼ inch mesh 3 ft. high = 10 ft. 2 lows $2.00
Square garden hoes = 4 $2.40
Grass Buck saws = 2 10.00
Lime Sypher = 6 lbs. 4.80
Chimneys = 5 inch by 3 ft. = 4 pieces. 1.50
Elbow = 1 .30¢
Roof Plate = 3 1.50
Chimneys = 6 in. 2 ft. .20
2. Chimneys = 6 in. = 1 .50
Elbow = 1 .30¢
Feed troughs = 46 $20.00
Big tin water troughs = 15 $10.00
Japanese Scythe = 2 $2.00
Wheelbarrow = 1 3.00
Egg Scales = 2 4.50
Gramophone = 1 10.00
Round table = 2 10.00
Square " = 3 5.00
Chairs = 7 7.00
Japanese spade = 1 1.00
Japanese axe = 1 3.00
Japanese Steel Rat = 1 3.00
Kitchen cupboard = 1 7.00
Heaters = 2 10.00
Water pipe taps = ½ in = 18 18.00
Iron pulleys = 5 in. = 3 $24.00
150 ft. of ½ in. steel cable. $15.00
Garden dry box = 2 2.00
Rubber = 1 2.00
Steel bar = 1 1.00
Tree cutting scissors = 1 2.00

~~Mattock~~ Weed Digger = 2	@ 2.50
Trimmer = 1	5.00
Birds = 3	15.00
Sprinkings = 2	4.00
Stone crock = 2 = 10 gal. = 1 top.	10.00
Kelp = 4 bags	6.50
Watering can = 1	1.80
B.K. Powder = 1 bottle	1.00
Spraying pump = 1	5.80
½ in. waterpipe 28 in.	.30
Search light Egg tester = 1	3.00
Total	490.20

Mrs Hambleton
1895 37 Cal.
Yours C. Gots

Shown and Have proved
by Custodian at Hasting Park
Date 28-Aug-42

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EXHIBIT No. 65-3
DATE 9 Dec 1947
FILED BY R. J. McMaster

Things that do not Belong To Goto marked with X

File No: 8644

Name: Yasuji GOTO

Reg. No: 12652

Address: 1327 Gibson Rd., R. R. 1, New Westminster, B. C.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS

Goods marked X belonged to tenant.

House Upstairs

1 bed complete
2 bed ends
2 small tables
2 boxes sealed
2 bags rice Stolen
1 box books
1 box qt. sealers
1 12 gal. crock
1 15 gal. crock Stolen
6 bags sea weed
1 small wicker basket
1 school case
1 egg scale
1 stove grate

House downstairs

6 chairs
X ~~1 arm chair~~
1 rocker
1 kitchen table
1 heater
1 kitchen cabinet
X ~~some linoleum~~
1 dining table
1 small round table
1 heater
1 gramaphone
1 hall seat
X ~~1 small table~~
X ~~1 bed~~
1 dresser
X ~~1 bed table~~

Basement

1 Beatty pump and tank

Woodshed

14 cartons (chick)
1 metal bed springs
4 metal fountains
X ~~6 bales straw~~

In Egg House

3 incubators
1 broad axe
X ~~1 scythe~~
1 weed digger
4 galv. pil cans
1 brooder stove
5 boxes glass
X ~~1 45 gal. oil drum~~ (Shell)
1 manure fork
1 mattock
3 spades
1 peevey
X ~~7 hoes~~
1 cross cut saw
1 heater
2 sickles
6 Jap. tubs
3 potato diggers
1 shovel
1 pick
1 crow bar
X ~~1 set car chains~~
X ~~1 water jacket~~
X ~~1 wood vise~~
X ~~1 log chain~~
1 wheel barrow
1 2 gal. oil can
X ~~quantity electric wire~~
quantity ½" chicken wire
1 spray pump
10 crock fountains

Chicken House

1 bale peat
2 baskets
1 wash tub
1 can disinfectant
1 old top

DATE: ..... SIGNED: R. W. Goto
TENANT.

EXHIBIT No. 65-4
DATE 9 Dec 1947
FILED BY R. J. McMaster

REPORT
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. 4

MUNICIPALITY: DELTA Date: ~~Sept 8th. 1942~~

NAME: GOTO, Yasuji REGISTRATION NO. 12652

ADDRESS: 1327 Gibson Rd. R.R. 1 New Westminster, B.C.

PROPERTY: 4.75 ----3 Cleared

ACREAGE:

KIND OF CROPS: Currents, Strawberries, Potatoes, Fruit trees

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH: Small patch. ¼ acre. ¼ acre. 1/4

HOUSE: 1½ Storey VACANT: OCCUPIED: yes

DESCRIPTION: Frame ROOF: Shingle

SIZE: 24 x 42 NO. OF ROOMS: 6

CONDITION: Fair

OTHER BUILDINGS: Wood shed 12 x 20 . Chicken hse. 22 x 50
Brooder hse. 8 x 10 " " 18 x 100
Egg hse. 14 x 14 " " 20 x 60
" " 20 x 118
" " 20 x 100

NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: Fredrick W. HAMBLETON, 1895-east.37th.ave.

TERMS: $10.pr.month. (Vancouver, B?C.

WATER: Well ON: OFF:

LIGHT: Electric ON: yes OFF:

REMARKS:

wheelbarrow 3.00
Hatchet 1.00
Axe 3.00
Grapples 6.00
+3.00
41.50
55.50

~~House Upstairs~~ INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY:

Downstairs

- 1 Bed complete
- 2 Bed ends
- 2 Small tables
- 2 Boxes sealed
- 2 Bags rice
- 1 Box books
- 1 Box qt. sealers
- 1 12 gal. crock
- 1 15 " "
- 6 Bags sea weed
- 1 Small wicker basket
- 1 School case
- 1 Egg scale
- 1 Stove grate
- 6 Chairs
- 1 Arm chair
- 1 Rocker
- 1 Kitchen table
- 1 Heater
- 1 Kitchen cabinet
- Some Linoleum
- 1 Dinning table
- 1 Small round table
- 1 Heater
- 1 gramaphone
- 1 Hall seat
- 1 Small table
- 1 Bed, 1 Dresser,
- 1 Bed table

Basement

- 1 Beaty Pump & tank

In Egg House

- 3 Incubators
- 1 Broad axe
- 1 Scythe
- 1 Weed digger
- 4 Galv. pil cans
- 1 Brooder stove
- 5 Boxes glass
- 1 45 gal. oil drum (Shell)
- 1 Manure fork
- 1 Mattock
- 3 Spades
- 1 Peevey
- 7 Hoes
- 1 X cut saw
- 1 Heater
- 2 Sickles
- 6 Jap tubs
- 3 Potatoe diggers
- 1 Shovel, 1 Pick
- 1 Crow bar
- 1 Set car chains
- 1 Water jacket
- 1 Wood Vise
- 1 Log chain
- 1 Wheel barrow
- 1 2 gal. oil can
- Quantity electric wire
- " " ½" chicken wire
- 1 Spray pump
- 10 crock fountains

Signed:

S. Goto

Chicken House

- 1 Bale peat
- 2 Baskets
- 1 Wash tub
- 1 Can disinfectent
- 1 Old brooder top

Woodshed

- 14 Chick cartons
- 1 Metal bed spring
- 4 " " Fountains
- 6 Bales straw

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Coffey

FROM: Mr. Spain

GOTO, Yasuji Reg. No. 12652
Gibson Road R.R. #1, New Westminster

The above person with wife (Tokiyo 12653) and daughter (Toshimi 12601) now in Hastings Park. House, Property, Furniture let to Mrs. Hambleton, 1895 - 37th Ave., Vancouver. $10.00 monthly from August 25th, payable monthly, end of month. $50.00 paid in advance. Tenant to pay all taxes. The following goods have been removed to Hastings Park.

1 Kitchen range
1 Small gas stove
1 Shovel
1 Rake
2 Potatoe Hooks
1 Scraping hoe
1 Weeding hoe
1 Blow Torch
2 Axes
1 Wedge Hammer
1 Wedge

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George B. Spain

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