

NAME *Chattelle (Japanese)*

NO

*Formerly Mr. McPherson's fill J-67*

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Note: See also file 25 vol. x.



Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario  
November 1st, 1946

J-9

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Missing Chattels

Dear Mr. Shears:

We acknowledge with thanks your communication of the 29th ultimo. This was submitted to both Dr. Coleman and Mr. Mathieu today and I informed them that a general report was presented to Judge Whiteside's Committee some time ago. It is agreed that as and when, in the course of your review of files, further information is revealed, you should keep the Board fully advised in order that they may be kept abreast of all developments.

Claims lodged by Japanese may be acknowledged in accord with your usual practice but if a particular claim warrants consideration, it would be advisable to present the facts to the Committee. If the Board feels that there is cause for complaint, e.g., some matter arising out of the difficulties experienced with Robinson, they should, after due investigation, have you present the facts to this office, coupled with a recommendation relative to compensation.

You are fully aware of the Custodian's desire not to open the door to innumerable claims, but some deserving cases may arise which should be dealt with. Settlement in some instances may be necessary and the Custodian is of opinion that the Advisory Committee, possessed of all the facts, together with your assistance and knowledge of Custodian policy, will be in a position to study the merits and pass judgment to the point of making adequate recommendations. These would then receive the Custodian's careful consideration and appropriate decisions may in this way be reached.

Yours very truly,

K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF

NAME

*Missing Chattels (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Mathieu's file J-67.*



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29th October, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Missing Chattels.

It is not my wish to burden you with the details of problems connected with affairs under the purview of this office. The difficulties in regard to handling and the disposition of chattels has been brought to the attention of the Ottawa office and you are personally aware of the situation. However, I feel that you should be made fully cognisant of the fact that the review of files which is now being carried on often brings to light matters which at this time it is impossible to fully clarify and in regard to which no very satisfactory accounting can be given to the Japanese.

In many cases inadequate inventories taken when goods were first dealt with or removed to storage now reveals a lack of foresight upon the part of those responsible for the physical handling of such matters.

The situation at Steveston is among the worst and the handling of affairs by Mr. C.C. Robinson while he was in charge of that area has created many problems. From time to time we become aware of goods which were loaned out by him and of which there was no record on the files. Other shortages appear which at this time cannot be properly accounted for.

The number of items which he apparently loaned runs into several hundreds and when we try to secure the return of such goods the party to whom the items were loaned often cannot be located or in some cases they claim the goods were later returned.

In a number of instances Mr. Robinson obtained a signed receipt for the goods which he was loaning but at that time our office was not advised and it is only recently that loose records left at the Steveston office have aided us to contact some of the persons involved. The responsibility for shortages which are now coming to light is often very indefinite.

NAME

*James C. Robinson (Japanese)*

*File J-67*



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K. W. Wright, Esq.

29th October, 1946.

A case in point brought to my desk today prompts me to write this letter (file #687). A Mr. & Mrs. Martin were tenants and signed for a list of chattels which were included in the rental arrangement and also for other chattels which were stored with them. These tenants vacated and about a month later, in May 1943, Mr. Robinson placed new tenants, by name of Dafoe, in this house. A signed list of the chattels left with the new tenants is on file but this was apparently not obtained until September 1944 and this list omits many items originally left with the first tenants.

On contacting Mr. & Mrs. Martin they inform us that as far as they are concerned all the goods were there when they left.

Mr. Robinson now advises us that he is of the opinion that this house was broken into and goods pilfered before Mrs. Dafoe took possession. This may or may not have been so, as there is no record to show that the items were intact when the Martins left or what goods were actually there when the Dafoes moved in in May 1943. In this case most of the missing goods were among the items listed as "stored" and not those in actual use by the tenant. According to a letter received from the Japanese, among the missing items was a bureau and dresser which were new and packed in an unopened carton. Missing items in this case appear to be lawn mower, sewing machine, two bureaux, 5 boxes of china, tools, violin, washing machine.

If Mr. Robinson had taken an inventory when the first tenants left and also when the new tenants moved in, it would not have been a matter of surmise that the property was pilfered and at least the responsibility of the first and second tenants would have been fixed.

You can see how difficult it is to reply to the Japanese in such circumstances. We are trying to avoid accepting responsibility stating that items not sold by us have apparently been stolen, but as you can see from the above, we do not know whether this took place when either of the tenants were there, or in the interval between.

As indicated at the start of this letter, I am writing so that it may be understood that there are cases where from the point of view of the Japanese owner we are not in a position to properly account for the administration of his affairs.

Yours very truly, *F.G. Shears*  
F.G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*Formerly Mrs. Robinson (Japanese)*

*File J.67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

May 18, 1946.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Thompson & Binnington &  
Thompson & Company

For your information we enclose herewith copy of a letter received from the Assistant Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Excise, under date of May 16th.

Yours very truly,

KWW/FC.

K. W. Wright  
Counsel to the Custodian

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME *Le Kattelle (Papuanee).*  
*Commonly from Papuanee till J. 67.*



May 18, 1946.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of May 16th has been received and we wish to thank you for the information given.

KWW/FC.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME *Latata (Japanese)*  
*Formerly from Populano Hill J-67.*





ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER  
OF NATIONAL REVENUE  
EXCISE

OTTAWA

May 16th, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Dept. of the Secretary of State,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Re: Thompson & Binnington -  
Retail Purchase Tax \$146.74  
Thompson & Company -  
Retail Purchase Tax \$110.43

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that Order in Council  
P.C.117/1826, dated 8th May, 1946, has been passed granting  
remission of the sum of \$257.17 representing the above-noted  
assessments against the two companies in question for retail  
purchase tax.

The Collector of Customs and Excise at Vancouver  
is being advised accordingly.

Yours very truly,

*V. C. Nauman*  
V. C. Nauman.

ACG:IM

NAME

*C. W. Wright (Representative)*

*Formerly from Thompson & Co. J. 67*



April 10th, 1946.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Yours very truly,

MEM  
Encl.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

*Castalia* (Japan)

27-67







April 2, 1946.

Dear Mr. Shears:

KWW/FC.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME *Le Katche (Japanese).*  
*Formerly Mr. Matsuura till 1.67.*



April 2, 1946.

Dear Sir:

KWW/FC.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

*L. katteba* (Japan)

27-67



26. 1946



W. G. B. THOMPSON

## Death Takes Old Resident Of Vancouver

WEST VANCOUVER, March 26. — Wilfred George Beecher Thompson, 57, president of Thompson & Binnington Ltd., died Sunday at his home, Fifteenth street and Palmerston avenue.

Funeral services will be held at Harron Bros. Funeral Parlors at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, with Rev. C. E. Batzold officiating. Burial will be at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Allan Ker, Harry Layfield, C. Abis, A. C. Spiers, A. Ewart and F. Downs.

Born at Hampstead, England, Mr. Thompson was the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. D. B. Thompson. He came to Vancouver 55 years ago. Active in community affairs, he was a past master of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 100, A.F. & A.M.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Doreen and Joy, and a son, Ronald, all at home.

## CANADA

### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

27th March, 1946.

Wright, Esq.,  
to the Custodian,  
of the Custodian,  
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Wright:

You will remember we discussed the matter of the claim of the Department against Thompson & Binnington for payment of Purchase Tax amounting to \$257.17. The same situation obtained at Westminster and in that case our Auctioneers, the Trapp Motors, paid the tax and it appeared to us that Thompson & Binnington also be responsible.

We did consider that in view of all circumstances that if Thompson would agree to pay about \$150.- we might assume the tax. However, I wrote to Mr. Thompson on the 8th instant as and feel that we are not called upon to take further action and the matter is again referred to us:

I have before me a copy of your letter of February 12th addressed to Mr. K.W. Wright at Ottawa and also correspondence which you received from the Income Tax Department assessing you in the amount of \$146.74 and \$110.43.

Wright was in Vancouver in January and this matter discussed.

Income Tax Authorities have made a careful check of records and while we indicated that certain sales were made covering a number of items, only one of which might be subject to the retail purchase tax, even after eliminating such items as these it is still their conclusion that a number of clocks and other articles were sold individually and were subject to the tax.

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(Representative)

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"It would appear therefore that we cannot be helpful  
and the matter will rest between yourself and the  
Tax Authorities."

Mr. Thompson was very co-operative with this Department in  
carrying through auction sales which often involved numerous items  
of very small intrinsic value.

You will regret to see the notice of his death in the  
enclosed newspaper cutting. This office has sent flowers as a token  
of respect.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

encl.

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*Formerly Mr. Thompson's file J-67*



*Mr. Macnamara. Not Rec'd by  
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Mr. Macnamara  
Thompson & Co. & Macnamara*

*Miss Carroll please  
ask Mr. Shears to report  
mentioned in Mr. Wright's  
letter of 18/2/46 and I have  
brought to my attention others  
being received.*

Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

February 18, 1946.

Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Thompson & Company

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received from Mr. Thompson relative to the tax claim.

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KWW/FC.

K. W. Wright  
Counsel to the Custodian

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*James C. Kettle (Japanese)  
formerly Mr. Thompson's file J-67*



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ROYAL TRUST BUILDING,  
626 PENDER STREET WEST,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

February 12th. 1946.

H.W. Wright Esq.,  
Barrister & Solicitor,  
Victoria Building,  
7-9 Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario:

Dear Mr. Wright:

I am enclosing two letters received from  
the Department of National Revenue which explain themselves.

You remember a day or two before you left  
for the East, sometime back in October I personally inter-  
viewed you as regards this Tax setting out how it was  
practically impossible to collect it in the class of goods  
we were selling in connection with the Japanese. You  
suggested at the time without quoting you or your Depart-  
ment, I refer them to Section 50 of the Act namely "Revised  
Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943).

I wrote this letter right after seeing you  
and heard nothing more for at least two months when Mr.  
Shears phoned me sometime at the end of November stating  
there was a gentleman there from the Customs & Excise  
and what did I know about it. I explained to Mr. Shears  
as much as I could over the phone and told him that just  
before you had left for the East I had gone into the matter  
very, very fully with you and if there was any further  
difficulty to let me know. I heard nothing more from  
Mr. Shears or the Department until two months later when  
I received the two enclosed letters.

I would appreciate very much if you could  
take this up with the proper authorities in Ottawa as  
there was no intention on our part to do the Government  
out of any money or avoid the Tax in any way. As I already  
explained to you when you were here the bidders at the  
Auction Sales refused to pay the Tax.

Yours truly,

THOMPSON & CO.

*H. D. Thompson*

WT/FB

NAME

*C. L. Little (Japanese)*

*Formerly from Japanese file J-67*









## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

EXCISE TAX COLLECTION

OTTAWA January 26, 1946.

An amount of \$110.43 retail purchase tax is owing by your company in connection with merchandise sold by you under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations regarding Trading with the Enemy (1943).

Yours truly,

Superintendent,  
Excise Tax Collections

Per:

H. J. Caley

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Leather

still J-67.



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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

December 10, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Sale of Chattels - Thompson & Binnington

With further reference to our communications of the 17th ultimo, we wish to advise that Mr. Nauman, Assistant Deputy Minister of National Revenue has again been in touch with this office.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly make a note to have Mr. Thompson come into your office between Christmas and New Year's in order that we may discuss this matter further.

Yours very truly,

KWW/FC.

K. W. Wright  
Counsel to the Custodian

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Chattels (Japanese)

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

November 17, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Sale of Chattels - Thompson & Binnington

I have for acknowledgment your letter of November 1st.

It is noted that you have not as yet been interviewed by a member of the Tax Department. The Custodian is of the opinion that the matter should be settled reasonably soon and that Mr. Thompson should reach an understanding with the Department to pay the amount agreed upon. There is no objection to your explaining the procedure adopted in offering the articles for sale and suggesting that under the circumstances a compromise might be arrived at.

Kindly let us hear from you in due course.

Yours very truly,

KWW/FC.

K. W. Wright  
Counsel to the Custodian

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November 12, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears: Re: Sale of Chattels

Your letter of November 1st has been received and I wish to thank you for the information given.

Mr. Wright is out of the city at present but your letter will be referred to him upon his return.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*Carroll, F. (F. Carroll)*

*Formerly Mrs. Thompson file J. 67*



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1st November, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

I am in receipt of yours of the 30th October in connection with the enquiries made by Mr. Jacklin and Mr. Nauman in regard to the payment of luxury taxes on articles sold by Messrs. Thompson & Binnington.

I note that some reference has previously been made to this office in regard to this matter and in a talk which I had with Mr. Thompson today, he advised me of his conversation with you and outlined the situation from his point of view. Apparently the amount involved is around \$350.00.

I am of course aware of the method under which certain lots are sold and that in some cases as you mention, the full amount realized would cover articles in addition to the item which might be taxed. However, even if an adjustment could be made for this reason I suppose that some liability might remain for a tax on a portion of the goods sold. Strictly speaking I gather that the Auctioneer is responsible for making this collection from the purchaser. This I am assuming he did not do and would have no opportunity for collecting at the present time.

Section 50 of the Regulations of course deals with taxes etc. for which the Custodian might be liable, and as you say we have not shielded ourselves behind this in order to avoid payments ordinarily due.

The question we may need to decide is whether, if an assessment is made against Thompson & Binnington for this special tax, this office should assume a moral obligation and assess it to the Japanese, reducing the net amount of the realization of his goods.

I presume that in an ordinary sale, if a purchaser refused to pay the additional tax that the owner might still consider that the best price had been obtained and be prepared to be responsible for payment of

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K. W. Wright (Japanese)

Assembly for Thompson & Binnington file J. 67



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of the tax himself.

At the moment I am not taking any further action in regard to  
this matter as I assume that in due course some Tax Official will be  
calling on me.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

*formerly Mr. Kettle*

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F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Thompson & Binnington, Ltd.

Further to my letter of October 30th, please find enclosed copy of letter received today, written by Mr. V. C. Nauman, Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of National Revenue to Mr. A. J. W. Page, Assistant Supervising Auditor, National Revenue Office, Vancouver, B.C., re the above matter.

Yours very truly,

KWW/MEM  
Encl.

K. W. Wright,  
Counsel to the Custodian.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER  
OF NATIONAL REVENUE  
EXCISE

OTTAWA , October 30th, 1945.

Mr. A. J. W. Page,  
Assistant Supervising Auditor,  
National Revenue Office,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Please see Auditor Henley's reports Nos. 12 and 13, on Thompson & Binnington, Limited, and Thompson and Company. A portion of the assessment was made on account of the sales of Japanese household goods sold by auction and, in endeavouring to collect the tax assessed, Mr. Thompson, in his letter to the Collector dated Sept. 18th, refers to Section 50 of the "Revised Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943)" and claims immunity from the tax under this section.

I have discussed this matter both with the Department of Justice and the Custodian's Office here, and the unofficial opinion of the Department of Justice is that the Custodian is liable. The Custodian's Office, however, claim that their understanding of the assessment is that, in arranging the sale of these goods, they were divided into lots and, in order to encourage the sale of these lots, a clock or piece of bric-a-brac or other article subject to the retail purchase tax would be placed on top and this would be the item listed in the advertising, and the statement was made that it was believed that the auditor had assessed the sale of the entire lot, not just the taxable item.

Will you please have Mr. Henley get in touch with Mr. F. G. Shears, Director, Office of the Custodian of Enemy Property, Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, and ascertain whether his assessment covers only the taxable articles, or the lots in which the taxable articles appeared, as claimed, and furnish a report on this point.

Copy for Mr. K. W. Wright,  
Counsel to the Custodian  
of Enemy Property,  
Victoria Bldg.,  
Ottawa.

V. C. Nauman

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME *Le Katche (Japanese)*  
*Formerly Mr. Professoro J. 67.*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

October 30th, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Mr. Jacklin of the Department of Justice called yesterday for information concerning Orders-in-Council under which we operate in Vancouver. He stated that his opinion had been asked by the Department of Revenue as to the liability of Thompson and Binnington for taxes relative to sales of Japanese goods vested in the Custodian.

I advised that this matter had been mentioned some months ago and as I understood the problem, there should be no difficulty in arriving at a settlement, but the Custodian has at no time relied on the regulations to avoid payment of what is ordinarily due, for example, registration fees payable on conveyances.

Later in the day Mr. Nauman, Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of National Revenue called and we discussed the general situation and I pointed out that as near as I could ascertain, Thompson was being charged luxury taxes on articles sold at auction, that were not properly classified.

I believe the problem arose through Thompson placing numerous articles in a box, with a clock on top, and disposing of the contents as a whole. In returns to you he would list Clock - \$5.00, which would involve luxury tax of \$1.25, whereas the remaining articles made up half or more of the sale price. I advised Thompson to take the matter up with the Tax Department and suggested that they would be reasonable if the matter was fully explained.

Mr. Nauman seems to think the dispute goes beyond this, but I am giving you the story as I understood it months ago.

I indicated that it would be best for you to ascertain

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Assembly for Thompson's file J-67



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the facts from Mr. Thompson and one of the Tax officials will call upon you.

We will, of course, take no part in any dispute regarding business taxes, as Thompson should pay the same as anyone else. The fact that he is our agent would not permit him to avoid the usual assessments.

The only way we might assist them to arrive at a settlement is by verifying the procedure relative to selling numerous articles in a box or basket, and listing in the return, proceeds from an article that falls within the luxury items.

We are of opinion that the matter should be settled and Mr. Nauman advises that his Department will be reasonable, and they have no desire to collect any sum not rightfully due.

Will you please let us know in due time, if the situation is cleared up.

Thanking you for your co-operation.

Yours very truly,

KWW/MEEM

K. W. Wright,  
Counsel to the Custodian.

NAME

*James E. Kistler (Japanese)  
formerly from Thompsons file J. 67*



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Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Unregistered Associations and  
Chattels in private and public  
storages.

We have for acknowledgment your letter  
of the 24th ultimo.

The writer presented your letter to Dr.  
Coleman today and has been instructed to advise you, that  
pending receipt of further instructions, no action should  
be taken by you to liquidate the articles referred to. I  
will discuss this problem with you during my visit to  
Vancouver next month. Will you be kind enough to bring  
the subject forward at that time.

Yours very truly,

KWW/MEM

K. W. Wright,  
Counsel to the Custodian.

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24th October, 1945.

K.W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Unregistered Associations and  
Chattels in private and public  
storages.

We are finding that in some cases upon investigation, files which are in the name of an Association or Club are not registered at Victoria as Associations under the Societies Act. That is to say, they are merely names used by a group of individuals.

It appears to me that in such cases our policy of liquidation should be carried out and the funds held and not distributed until clarification of the interests of the individuals concerned.

As you are aware, in certain cases chattels were stored by the Japanese in either public or private storages, the storage charges on same being paid by the Japanese. Unless the matter of debts has been involved we have not so far as a general rule been liquidating these chattels.

In effect this is a discrimination against the Japanese who placed his goods in our hands, as in his case we have disposed of his property. The goods which are stored in private and public storages in Vancouver vest in the Custodian as much as goods which were placed in our own storages. I think we should have a ruling in regard to this matter so that these particular goods can now be dealt with.

A case in point which concerns both of the questions above referred to is that of the Nippon Club. A reply from the Registrar of Companies at Victoria states that - replying to our letter they beg to advise that there is no record of a Club of this name recorded.

This Club, according to our file, owns a certain amount of Club furniture such as chesterfield chairs, rugs, lamps, benches and tables which are stored at Campbells storage. The annual storage and insurance charges being \$84.00. This amount being paid regularly by S. FURUKAWA, who was the Secretary of this organization.

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K. W. Wright, Esq.

For your information these articles were in the first instance placed in storage by Mr. Etsuji Morii and it is of course possible that this organization in which Mr. Morii was interested stored this Club's furniture with the expectation of being able to resume their Club activities in Vancouver at some future time.

It will be appreciated if you will let us have your advice in regard to the above matters.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*Mr. Etsuji Morii (Japanese)*

*Assembly for Japanese file J. 67*



October 17, 1945.

Dear Mr. Shears:

I have your letter of October 13th enclosing copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Rural Advisory Committee held on Friday, October 5, 1945.

Yours very truly,

K. W. Wright  
Counsel to the Custodian

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME *Le Kattels (Lehmanns)*  
*formerly Mrs. Hoffmann till J. 67.*



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13th October, 1945.

K.W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

The attached is an extract from the Minutes of the Rural Advisory Committee meeting held on Friday, October 5th. Mr. McPherson requested that this be sent and I believe it was his intention that this minute should be brought to the attention of Dr. Coleman.

For your information, the arrangements suggested in the Minutes are now under way and on Thursday last I drove Judge Whiteside and Mr. Menzies to Steveston. Mayor Mott was unable to attend. They are quite satisfied as to the desirability of proceeding as outlined.

I also contacted the office of the National Clothing Collection for the Canadian United Allied Relief fund and have arranged to take Miss Gill, their Supervisor, and also the local representative of the Richmond District to Steveston this coming Monday afternoon.

Yours very truly,

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F. G. Shears,  
Director.

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recommends  
of the Advisory Committee

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NAME *Castells (C. Caparrós)*  
*Formerly from Professors Hill J. 67.*



EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RURAL ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE held on Friday, October 5th, 1945.

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Mr. Shears reported that disposition of chattels by auction at Steveston had practically been completed. There remained to be dealt with a large number of trunks, cartons and parcels containing some items which are saleable but largely comprising clothing, rags, paper books as well as such items as photographs, small shrines and personal correspondence and items of a purely personal nature.

Mr. Menzies stated that on behalf of the Committee he had inspected the Steveston storages together with Mr. Shears and some members of the Custodian's office. A number of trunks and packages had been dumped and examined and it was evident that at the time the Japanese were being evacuated the Japanese in many cases gathered everything together and packed it, irrespective of much of it being practically valueless. It was evident that much of the clothing stored, besides being old and in many cases torn, was moth eaten and would engender vermin.

Mr. Menzies stated that even if arrangements for shipment to the Japanese owner could be made it would not be sound economy to do so without first going over and separating the contents.

Mr. Menzies was strongly of the opinion that this should be done and that the Custodian's men should be given fairly wide discretion to deal with all the remaining effects.

Mr. Shears stated that after Mr. Menzies' inspection he had written to Mr. McPherson in Ottawa and his letter of the 7th September was read to the Committee and also the reply to same which stated:



"Your letter of the 7th instant has been presented to Dr. Coleman and subject to the Committee's approval he agrees with the suggestions therein."

Mr. Menzies stated that he was prepared to make the following motion:

That the Committee recommend to the Custodian that all goods now remaining on hand consisting of trunks and packages of various kinds should be examined by employees of the Custodian's office who had previously been dealing with the matter of chattels and that they should separate and deal with the contents in the following manner:

1. To auction those effects which were saleable and which were similar in type to those articles which had been disposed of in previous auctions.
2. To dispose of old clothing and woollens and materials which were deteriorating to Rag or Old Clothes dealers and to auction what might be saleable.
3. To discard and destroy what is entirely valueless.
4. To set aside purely personal items which could not be replaced, such as photographs, personal records and shrines and any personal items which would not come under the above classifications.
5. To keep a record of the contents and the manner in which they have been dealt with.

This motion was seconded by Mayor Mott and the Committee was in unanimous agreement.

However, Judge Whiteside stated that in regard to clothing, while it would not appear to be desirable to store such material as this any longer, and as it would likely have very little sale value either by auction or to dealers, that in view of the present urgent need in Europe for all types of clothing he recommended that the Custodian should contact the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Agency in Vancouver as doubtless much of this clothing would be desirable for national relief purposes.



The Committee were fully in accord with this suggestion and Mr. Shears stated that acting on the advice of the Committee this work would be proceeded with and that he would arrange for stenographers to be present so that a record would appear on the files showing the disposition which had been made.

Mr. Shears also asked if it would be possible for the Committee to inspect the Steveston storage while this work was in progress. The suggestion was very well received and it was left for Mr. Shears to make the necessary arrangements as soon as possible.

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*C. K. Kettle (Papers)*

*File J. 67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Canada.  
September 28, 1945

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Mr. McPherson has requested me to reply to your letter of the 25th instant, relative to certain outstanding problems.

1. Re: N.S. McNeil Trading Co. Ltd. - An air mail letter was addressed to you under date of the 24th instant, with necessary instructions.
- ✓ 2. Your letter of the 7th instant has been presented to Dr. Coleman, and subject to the Committee's approval, he agrees with the suggestions therein. Will you be kind enough in due course to let us have a copy of the minutes for record purposes.
- 3 & 4. In a letter to you dated the 18th instant, Mr. McPherson indicated that while the House is in Session, it will not be possible to obtain the necessary amendments to the orders in council to include associations and properties used for religious purposes.
5. A copy of your letter of the 7th instant has been forwarded to the Director of Indian Affairs Branch, and we expect to have further information for you in this connection reasonably soon.
6. A letter went forward to you under date of the 26th instant, and Mr. McPherson suggests that I might have made it even more clear and indicated that in view of the ruling of the Deputy Minister of Justice, the Custodian accepts no responsibility whatsoever for the firearms.
7. The Deputy Minister of the Department of National Defence Army has advised that Treasury Board authority is being sought for payment of \$1360 for damage to this property. We have pointed out that this is based on the estimate made by Dominion Construction Company Limited, but does not include cost of Iron Fireman stoker installation amounting to \$92.50. They have been asked to obtain

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F. G. Shears, Esq.

September 28, 1945.

authority to include this. We will forward cheque as soon as it is received.

8. Mr. McPherson was in touch with Mr. H.T. Pammet of the Department of Labour today, and was advised that a list of repatriates is now being compiled by their office in Vancouver. Mr. Pammet will write to Mr. Pickersgill today and instruct him to furnish you with a copy of the list. When this is received, the files of such persons should be given priority from the standpoint of review.

Yours very truly,

K. W. WRIGHT,  
Counsel to the Custodian.

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

25th September, 1945.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

In view of your early departure for England and Germany you may not be able to give personal attention to the following outstanding matters but it would be appreciated if you would see that we are advised in due course. The first item is of immediate importance:

1. Whether it will be in order for the McNeil deed to be prepared allocating the total purchase price to cover 4 parcels.
2. Our policy for dealing with personal goods including clothing and items only of salvage value, excluding that type of effects which cannot be replaced or are of actual religious significance. (As per my letter dated September 7th, 1945.)
3. The question of amending Orders-in-Council to include Associations.
4. Any change in regard to our present policy of withholding buildings formerly used for religious purposes from liquidation.
5. The possible interest of the Department of Indian Affairs in properties at Hakoda Bay which you were taking up with that Department.
6. Our policy in regard to the release and disposition of fire-arms brought about by the specific request referred to in my letter of the 22nd September, 1945.
7. Bringing to a conclusion the matter of responsibility for payment of damage to the Kitsilano Japanese Language Association School on West 1st Avenue, formerly under lease to the Department of Defense.
8. I have no specific instructions in connection with dealing with any assets being frozen (on account of the Japanese having applied for repatriation and having elected to

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conserve his assets and go on relief).

I presume when actual repatriation is arranged for, the necessary instructions will be issued covering the disposition of assets under our control. We have no list of those who have applied for repatriation. When I asked Mr. Pickersgill for a list a short while since so that we might indicate this on our files, he advised me that while he would have no objection to supplying this information they had no master list and the information only appeared on the files of the Japanese individuals concerned and that supplying a list to us would be an enormous task and take a long while. I have not pressed this matter as perhaps for the moment it is not urgent although I thought it desirable that our files should indicate those who would likely be repatriated.

Yours very truly,

"F. G. Shears"  
Director

FGS/PMH

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7th September, 1945.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Personal Effects.

You are aware that the separating of what is termed "personal effects" before disposing of chattels at auction has always been somewhat of a problem.

At Steveston there now remains a large number of trunks, cartons, and parcels, many of them broken and containing a lot of stuff which can only be described as junk. We still employ Mr. Harris and a swamper at Steveston and I am anxious to close our office there as soon as possible.

I arranged with Mr. Menzies, on behalf of the Advisory Committee, to inspect this situation with me and I took along Messrs. Good, Wills and Peters. We dumped out a number of trunks and a number of packages and found that much of the contents could only be considered as rags and worthless material and in many cases pure rubbish. It is evident that at the time of evacuation the Japanese merely gathered everything together and packed it up irrespective of much of it being practically valueless.

Mr. Menzies is strongly of the opinion that what is left should be gone through and that our men should be given fairly wide discretion to divide and deal with it as follows:

To auction anything which might sell.  
To sell to Rag Dealers what could be disposed of to them.  
To discard and destroy what is entirely valueless  
and only to set aside purely personal items which could not be replaced such as photographs, personal records and shrines.

In regard to what we have called "ceremonial dolls", but which are more exactly described as "festival dolls". A large number of these were sold in the early days of the evacuation, but we then stopped further

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G. W. McPherson (Japanese)

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W. W. McPherson, Esq.

disposition and there are quite a number of these still on hand. It is my understanding that this was ~~the~~ commodity that was offered for sale at Japanese departmental stores in large numbers. Their intrinsic value is very small and judged by European standards is only a very cheap doll and in normal times could be very easily replaced. In some upper class Japanese families the dresses on these dolls are quite elaborate and are supposed to be meticulous as to period.

However, as mentioned above, we have disposed of a lot and I suggest that we should clean up what is left. Both Mr. Bell and Mr. Spain assure me that they are of no religious significance but were brought out for display once a year at some festival in March.

The clothing which is stored, besides for the most part being old and in many cases torn, is engendering vermin and moth and in process of decay.

It would not be sound economy to ship all that which we now have, but after dealing with it as above we could then contact the Japanese asking for his disposition of what we then advised him we had retained.

I feel that we must be prepared to take some risk and be drastic even if at some later date it caused some grounds for complaint from the Japanese.

Mr. Menzies is prepared to recommend the course above outlined to the Committee when they next meet so that it is most likely that after receiving his report they would be prepared to recommend that the Custodian should adopt this procedure.

If this course is followed we would have a stenographer present making stenographic notes briefly indicating the contents, their condition and disposition for the file record.

However, I would appreciate it if you would give some consideration to this and let me have your advice in regard to same.

The whole matter of dealing with chattels has been very expensive and we should now bring it to a conclusion as rapidly as possible.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

*Approved by L. Menzies  
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J.C.*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

April 9, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter from C. N. Senior  
and a copy of my reply.

I trust you will co-operate in cases of this kind  
wherever possible and where consistent with the Custodian's  
policy.

Yours very truly,

GWMcP/FC.

G. W. McPherson  
Executive Assistant

NAME

C. N. Senior (Shears)

Formerly Mr. McPherson file J. 67.



April 9, 1945.

Dear Mr. Senior:

Yours very truly,

GWM cP/FC.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER  
OTTAWA

April 5, 1945.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

I am writing following our conversation of yesterday about Mr. Robert G. McKenzie, of Port Coquitlam, B.C., a veteran of this war, who is anxious to obtain a stitcher for his shoe repairing business.

Mr. McKenzie has advised the Minister that from time to time Japanese stitchers have been offered for sale at auctions by your office. He faces the difficulty that he cannot leave his work and attend auctions in the city on the chance that a stitcher will be offered for sale. I would then greatly appreciate your communicating with your representative in Vancouver as you advised me you would do, asking him to extend any assistance he can in obtaining a stitcher for this veteran.

Many veterans are anxious to start businesses of their own. At this time a great many difficulties, including an acute shortage of equipment, must be faced. It is our responsibility to assist them in every possible way and in this we have obtained the co-operation of agencies such as the Wartime Prices and Trade Board and the Department of Munitions and Supply. I hope that some arrangement can be worked out under which veterans will have the opportunity of obtaining equipment being sold through the Custodian of Enemy Property.

Yours very truly,

*C. N. Senior*  
C.N. Senior,  
Executive Assistant.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian of Enemy Property,  
Department of Secretary of State,  
OTTAWA.

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*C. N. Senior (Representative)*

*January 1946*



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July 17, 1944.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Just as a matter of information, there have been 67 auctions held outside of Greater Vancouver, the net proceeds amounting to \$51,917.46, and there have been 29 auctions in the Vancouver District, the net proceeds amounting to \$38,762.77.

The auctions are proceeding as rapidly as possible but it is a job of considerable magnitude and the end is not in sight. The sale of real estate in many cases requires dealing with furniture and contents and in many cases we are now trying to remove such items direct to an auction.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS:AS

NAME

*C. L. Kettle (Paperman)*

*July 17, 1944*



For Mr. McPherson

Mr. Carroll - You have written  
to Sherris of up to date statement?

Yes - <sup>and</sup>  
Feb. 22/44. H.C.

- Geo

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Carroll (Paperman)

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ATM

Ottawa, February 23, 1944.

Dear Mr. Neill,-

On my return to the Department after an illness I received your letter of the 12th February.

When persons of the Japanese race were removed from the Protected Area, some problems arose in relation to the chattels which they left behind. They were given the opportunity of having chattels sent to them, with the exception of radios which, I understand, are not allowed in the Settlements in British Columbia. The chattels, as a general rule, were not of any considerable value. Care had to be exercised also in respect to other chattels of little tangible value but which, it was suggested, were invested with some degree of religious significance under the religious beliefs of some of these people.

Two Advisory Committees went into the problem some weeks ago and reached the conclusion that the Custodian should liquidate, employing local auctioneers in the different districts. The expenses of advertising and the auctioneers' fees are, of course, deducted from the proceeds and are not a charge on the Government.

A report this morning indicates that very recently a representative of our Vancouver Office has been on Vancouver Island and has had some conferences with Mr. Burnip concerning auction sales of properties on the Island.

Yours sincerely,

E. H. Coleman  
Under Secretary of State  
and Deputy Custodian.

A. W. Neill, Esq., M.P.,  
House of Commons,  
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E. H. Coleman

(Japanese)

January 1944



ATM

Ottawa, February 15, 1944.

Dear Mr. Neill,-

Your letter of February 12th, making application on behalf of William Burnip for the position of Government Auctioneer in connection with the sale of Japanese property, has been received.

Dr. Coleman has been absent from the office for several days, through illness. I shall bring your communication to his attention immediately on his return.

Yours sincerely,

*D. J. Maloney*

Secretary.

A. W. Neill, Esq., M.P.,  
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UNDER SECRETARY  
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OTTAWA,  
February 12, 1944.

Dear Dr. Coleman:

Would you please accept this as an application on behalf of William Burnip, whose address is Box 364, Port Alberni, B.C., for the position of Government Auctioneer, particularly in connection with the sale of Japanese property. He has just completed the sale of Japanese property at Port Alberni and he tells me that he has been told that there is sufficient goods to be sold in British Columbia to keep an Auctioneer going for two years. The usual commission is 10% and one sale in Vancouver realized the Auctioneer \$800. He suggests that it would be much cheaper for the Government if they paid him, say \$200 a month, and he could hold a sale a week and often two a week which would be a lot cheaper to the Government than paying an auctioneer 10%.

This man has had thirty years experience and I have known him for many years and I am sure he is thoroughly reliable. I forget whether he was overseas in the first war but I know he has a son overseas now. He is also a competent and experienced valuator and it would seem to be a chance for your Department to save a considerable sum of money and I

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think I can guarantee that he is competent, reliable and trustworthy.

Yours faithfully,

A. W. Neill

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Dr. E. H. Coleman, K.C.,  
Deputy Custodian of Enemy Property,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

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*C. L. H. H. (Japanese)*

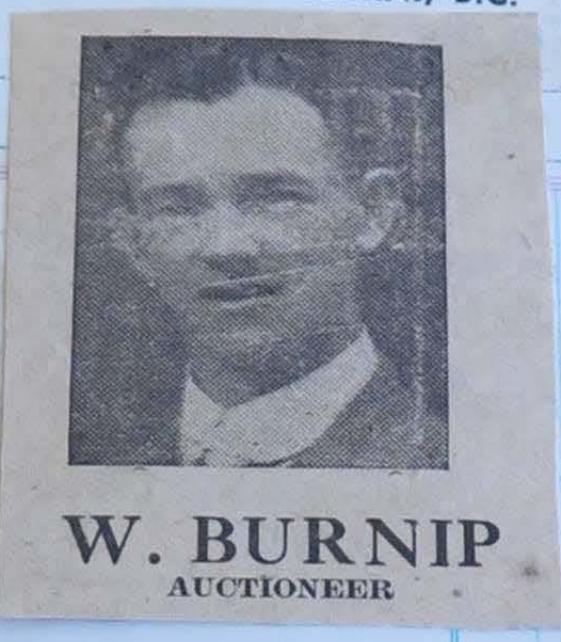
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7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

November 11, 1943.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Chattels

I have your letter of November 9th, with enclosures, and it appears from same that you are taking every reasonable precaution and have worked out an excellent system of keeping track of the disposition of chattels and the proceeds from same.

Yours very truly,

GWMcP/FC.

G. W. McPherson  
Executive Assistant

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*Chattels*

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9th November, 1943.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Chattels.

Your letter of the 4th instant received.

The comments which you make in regard to the disposition of chattels is well noted and I think I can say that we are already following along the lines you indicated.

As an example I am enclosing a special sale memorandum which we are using. This list describes the items sold in a manner which I think is satisfactory.

You mention "a record of disposition of each item". There will be cases where for the purpose of auctioning such items as Kitchen utensils may be grouped and sold for instance as "pie plates". In many cases I believe our sales record will be more specific than the declaration appearing in the original registration by the Japanese owner.

So far we have not given away or disposed of any worthless articles, and if and when this is done a memorandum will be prepared along similar lines to the sales memorandum and placed on file. I will be careful to see that we receive the Committee's O.K. in such matters.

The understanding which we have with the Committee is that in regard to farm chattels, no private sales will be made except in cases where a particular item is essential to the operation of the farm

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and the tenant is prepared to pay an appraised price. In such cases the Committee's O.K. will be obtained and this will be limited to such items as for example, an electric pump attached to the well.

You will notice from the sales record enclosed that we are deducting from the gross proceeds the Auctioneer's fee and items such as Advertising and Moving. I presume that these expenses are fairly chargeable to the Japanese.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
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REGISTRATION NO. 07571

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The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on October 26th. 1943..

2 Trays	\$ 0.75
2 Trays	0.75
Guitar	6.00
Banjo	10.50
Doll in case	0.25
Doll in case	1.00
Large Doll	0.50
Basket of toys	0.50
Garbage can	0.60
Set of 3 lights	2.00
2 Pictures	0.25
Single bed & spring	15.00
Double bed & spring	17.00
Roll lino	3.00
Roll lino	3.75
Roll lino	0.75
Roll lino	3.75
Rocker	1.50
4 Kitchen chairs	3.20
Card Table	0.50
Hall stand	1.00
Desk.	0.50
2 Mah. chairs	1.00
Kitchen table	2.50
Secretaire	12.50
Standard Lamp	2.50
Standard Lamp	2.25

Total: carried forward: \$ 93.80

~~Less Expenses:~~

~~Net Proceeds credited:~~

~~Members of Custodian Staff Present.~~

~~Extracted from Auctioneering history No.~~

~~Remarks:~~

NAME Shimotaka (Japanese)  
Formerly from Japanese file J. 67.



NAME SHIMOTAKAHARA, Kozo (Dr.)

REGISTRATION NO. 07571

FILE NO. 11773/1

The following chattels were sold by public auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on October 26, 1943.

Standard Lamp	Total brought forward:	\$ 93.80
Small table		1.00
End Table		0.50
Small table		2.00
Dresser		0.50
Stool		8.00
End table		2.00
Dresser		1.75
Table		11.50
Piano & Bench		0.50
Mirror		95.00
Cabinet		0.20
Library Table		4.25
Table		5.50
Table		1.50
Book shelf & cabinet		5.00
Uph. chair		2.00
Buffet		1.50
China Cabinet		25.00
Table		20.50
End Table		0.50
Buffet		2.00
Dresser		7.50
3 Dining Chairs		7.50
2 Screen doors		1.25
Large cage & breeding cages		0.50
		2.50
Total:		
	(Auctioneer's Fee : \$30.37	\$ 303.75
Less Expenses	{Advertising: 10.30	\$ 46.97
	{Moving 6.30	
	\$46.97	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 256.78

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. 4.

Remarks.

NAME

Shimotakahara (Japanese)

Inventory for Japanese file J-67



NAME NISHIKAWA, Shizue (Mrs. Taro)

REGISTRATION NO. 04654

FILE NO. 10016

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on October 26, 1943.

Box dishes	\$ 0.50
Box toys	0.75
Frying pan & cake tins	0.15
Iron kettle	0.75
2 Toys	0.50
Dishes	0.70
Glassware	0.35
Glassware	1.35
3 Plates	0.75
2 Platters	1.50
Large Plate	2.00
Basket & dishes	1.40
Tray & contents	0.25
Large blue plate	1.10
Flower dish & frog	1.25
Glassware	1.25
Glassware	0.80
Decanter & 8 glasses	2.25
Bowl & plates	1.30
Glasses & tea pot	0.90
Tray & dishes	0.60
Dishes	0.50
Glass jug & 6 glasses	1.60
Tea set	1.20
Stand	1.00
Lino	0.50
Lino	1.25
Total: carried forward:	\$ 26.45

~~Less Expenses:~~

~~Net Proceeds Credited:~~

~~Members of Custodian Staff Present.~~

~~Extracted from auctioneering list:~~

~~Remarks:~~

NAME

Chattels (Japanese)

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NAME NISHIKAWA, Shizue (Mrs. Taro)

REGISTRATION NO. 04654

FILE NO. 10016

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on October 26, 1943.

	Total brought forward:	\$	26.45
Lino			1.25
Lino			1.25
Lino			1.50
Jiffy table			7.75
Desk			5.00
Wal. dresser & Chest of Drawers			62.00
China cabinet			14.00
High chair			3.75
Wal. bed & spring			21.00
Kitchen table			0.75
Arm chair			3.25
Desk.			1.00
Cupboard			0.13
4 Kitchen chairs			6.50
3 Kitchen chairs			1.50
Stand			1.00
Cabinet			2.00

Total:	( Auctioneers' Fee : \$16.00	\$	160.08
Less Expenses:	( Advertising 5.46	\$	24.77
	( Moving 3.31	\$	135.31
Net Proceeds Credited:	\$24.77		

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No.4.

Remarks.

NAME

*Formerly Mrs. Nishikawa (Japanese)*  
*formerly Mrs. Nishikawa file J. 67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

November 4, 1943.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Japanese Evacuee Section

I will be dealing with your report on the last meeting with Judge Whiteside's committee after I have an opportunity of discussing same with the Deputy Custodian. There are, however, some general points which I think you should keep in mind, as should Mr. Wright. I am enclosing an extra copy of this letter so it can be placed on Mr. Wright's file in the enemy section.

Recent developments here indicate that the sale or other disposition of chattels must be very carefully handled and complete records as to the disposal of each item must be placed on the individual owner's file. I know in the past, and I assume in the future, that nothing will be sold that is not described and the proceeds of the sale definitely allocated to the proper owner and that there will be no private sales unless tenders have been called for and rejected. I note from your recent correspondence that the sale of chattels will be auction and since this has been approved by the Committee the Custodian will raise no objections but what I wish to impress upon you is the necessity of keeping an accurate statement on file as to the disposition of the property of each individual.

As regards the giving away of chattels to the Red Cross or any other benevolent organization, or the destruction of such chattels, such as those unsafe to sell, for example mattresses which are specifically referred to

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*Formerly Mr. Wright's file J-67*



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in your correspondence, the Custodian will require the approval of the Committee concerned as to the giving away or destruction of each article. I assume you can arrange to list such articles and have the Chairman of the respective committees approve of the disposition you propose.

At the moment I am starting to review my policy file on the Vancouver organization, considering at the same time the report made by P. S. Ross & Sons on the Evacuee section and I will be writing you further on this matter in the near future.

You will appreciate that there will be a day of accounting and that the Custodian must be in a position to account for all property taken under his control, its administration and its disposition. Any disbursements incurred in the administration of the property by agents or by your office will ultimately have to be approved to the satisfaction of auditors and I have, therefore, assumed that the agents and your office are obtaining vouchers for all disbursements. I think it would be advisable at this time to proceed to get in from the agents the vouchers dealing with their disbursements on the Custodian's behalf, if you have not already done this.

Mr. Peckham in his report through P. S. Ross & Sons is quite complimentary on the manner in which the Vancouver organization has functioned and is functioning and has no real criticism to offer. However, we should not be lulled by this report into a false sense of security and should always keep in mind that the Custodian is a trustee of property and will some day have to account to some one for his administration and that day may not be in the too distant future.

Yours very truly,

GWMcP/FC.

G. W. McPherson  
Executive Assistant

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*formerly Mr. Peckham's file J. 67*



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OTTAWA, October 15, 1943.

Mr. G. W. McPherson,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Department of Secretary of State,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of  
October 14 re Japanese evacuee chattels, copy of  
which has been passed on to Mr. Collins at Vancouver  
for his information.

I agree with you that something should be  
done about the cameras and radios still in storage,  
and have asked Mr. Collins to make a report on this  
matter. I shall advise you as soon as I hear from  
him in this connection.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara

A. MacNamara.

NAME: C. K. Kettle (Japanese)  
Formerly Mr. McPherson's file J. 67.



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

October 14, 1943.

A. MacNamara, Esq.,  
Deputy Minister,  
Department of Labour,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Evacuee Chattels

I have your letter of October 6th which has been referred to me upon my return to Ottawa.

I note that Mr. Collins refers to the Custodian's agents' charges for making small shipments of Japanese effects, and I feel that I should point out that in making these shipments the Custodian's agents are not acting as such but are acting as agents for the British Columbia Security Commission by special arrangements made between Mr. Eastwood, Mr. Fisher and myself.

On several occasions Mr. Fisher raised the point that these agents charged the same fee for shipping 100 pounds of chattels as for shipping 10 pounds and on these occasions it was pointed out to him that the weight of the chattels has nothing to do with the charges involved in the locating of and making available such chattels for shipment. There is just as much work involved in locating a blanket as there is in locating a stove insofar as the agent is concerned and there is, therefore, no relationship between the weight and the charges.

During the time I was in Vancouver administering evacuee property I found on many occasions that the evacuee would request a chattel through the Security Commission one week and a few weeks later would request another chattel which duplicated a great deal of work and needlessly taxed the facilities our agents had for handling such matters.

It was decided at that time that the Custodian could not accept these charges but it was agreed that the Custodian would not object to the Commission using the Custodian's agents since he had agents all over the Protected Area and they were in control of the halls where the goods were stored. The Custodian's work would have been greatly facilitated if the Japanese evacuees had taken their chattels with them but this was neither practicable nor desirable at the time of the evacuation. All that the Custodian could do, therefore, was to store the chattels and endeavour to protect them.

As regards the sale of Japanese household effects, this is proceeding at the present time but the delay in the carrying out of the policy determined by the Special Committee of the Cabinet in January last, was due primarily to an arrangement made between your Mr. Collins and myself early last Spring when it was felt the Japanese should be

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*Chattels (Japanese)*

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given an opportunity to request that certain chattels be shipped to them. The Custodian is also anxious to have the chattels disposed of but the method of sale, in order to avoid criticism, was determined by Mr. Justice Smith's committee, and is now proceeding.

A point which is not raised by Mr. Collins is the question of the cameras and radios and there has been a great deal of publicity in Vancouver on this matter. You will recall it was agreed the cameras and radios would be shipped to the Japanese after they left the Province of British Columbia and it was felt by the Commission that this might be some inducement to the Japanese to leave the Province. The Custodian anticipated that many of the cameras and radios would be requested during the past year but this has not been the case and they are deteriorating and will involve considerable expense since the R.C.M. Police have requested they be removed from the barracks.

The Custodian would appreciate being advised as to whether or not the Commission has any objections to these articles being liquidated together with the other chattels.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Executive Assistant.

GWMcP/FC.

NAME

G. W. McPherson (Japanese)

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O t t a w a,  
Oct. 6, 1943.

Mr. G. W. McPherson,  
Custodian's Branch,  
Department of the Secretary  
of State,  
O t t a w a.

Commissioner George Collins of the B.C. Security  
Commission has asked me to bring the following matters to your  
attention:-

(1) Custodian Agents' charges for making small shipments  
of Japanese effects. The B.C.S.C. Transportation Branch reported to  
Mr. Collin as follows:

"Considerable money has been paid out to the Agents of  
the Custodian at outlying points such as Victoria,  
Duncan, Chemainus and Prince Rupert, and these charges  
have been, in my opinion, out of line considering the  
value of the goods handled and the duties performed.  
For instance, Custodian Agent's charges at Victoria range  
from \$2.00 to \$6.00 for each individual shipment. In  
some cases \$3.75 has been charged for a sewing machine.  
The crating, cartage and shipping, namely, making out  
of the bills of lading at the freight office, is all  
done by a cartage company whose charges, as in any city,  
were high but were graduated as to the weight of the  
goods and the number of parcels. Thus the cartage  
company actually performed the work. The Custodian  
Agent released the goods to the cartage company, wrote  
a letter stating they had been shipped and made out his  
bill. It does happen that frequently the Custodian  
Agent's charge alone runs to more than two cents per  
pound for the goods released. The charges at Duncan,  
Chemainus and Prince Rupert were not so high and ran from  
\$1.50 to \$3.00 for each shipment, and also at these  
points outside parties did the crating and cartage and  
added their charges".

It is also reported that last year the Custodian Agent at  
Nanaimo consistently made a charge of \$5.00 office fees for every shipment

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James W. McPherson (Japanese)  
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made whether there were 100 or 500 lbs., although this has been considerably reduced since that time.

These charges have been paid under protest by the B.C. Security Commission or, where the goods requested were outside the free list, by the Japanese themselves.

It is appreciated that these cases will decrease in number as chattels are disposed of through the sales now being arranged by the Custodian. At the same time, however, it is felt that the charges should be kept down to a standard rate consistent with the duties performed by the agent in making these shipments.

(2) Sale of Japanese household effects. Commissioner Collins reports that Mr. Shears is delaying the sale of Japanese household goods, although it was agreed last spring to dispose of these as soon as possible. We are anxious to get this matter cleared up under the present advantageous marketing conditions before these goods deteriorate further by another winter in storage. It is understood that personal articles stored in trunks and articles of a religious or sentimental value, will not be sold. As soon as the rest of the goods are disposed of, these articles may be either gathered at one store-house or dispatched to the owners.

I would appreciate whatever you can do in these matters to accommodate the officers of the B.C. Security Commission.

Yours very truly,

*A. MacNamara*

A. MacNamara.

NAME

*C. K. K. K. (Japanese)*

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CANADA  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

18th September, 1943.

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G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Mr. Read will likely tell you that we dropped in  
at the Fuji Chop Suey at the commencement of the first  
auction of chattels which was held on Wednesday, September  
15th.

You will be interested to know that Mr. Thompson,  
the Auctioneer, considered the prices obtained for all items  
of any importance to be very satisfactory and we were also  
able to dispose of items of no real intrinsic value at very  
fair prices.

The gross amount received was \$1,359.95, less  
advertising \$47.04 and 10% commission. In addition to this  
there are a couple of items totalling \$78.00 which were sold  
but not yet paid for and if the money is not forthcoming the  
items will be included in the next auction.

We anticipate holding our next auction in the same  
place on Wednesday week.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Paperman)*

*Formerly Mr. McPherson's file J. 67*



Vancouver, B. C.

Office of the Custodian,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:-

We have had an appraisal made of each of these lots, the total amounting to \$1,879.30. In order to avoid undue expense, we recommend that we be allowed to advertise this furniture and equipment for sale in the terms of the attached advertisement. It would be our idea that the advertising expenses would be pro-rated to the various parcels according to the appraised values.

matter. We would appreciate hearing from you in this

Yours faithfully,

faithfully,  
J. H. Jones

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

*Lactella* (Japanese).

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## OFFICE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

The Custodian of Enemy Property by virtue of the authority vested in him under the Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939) has instructed the undersigned to call for Tenders for the purchase of the undernoted assets.

- Parcel A. Furniture and equipment, including Large Safe, Adding Machine, Typewriter, Desks, etc. - all being the property of Toru Tamura.
- Parcel B. Furniture and equipment, including Large Safe, Adding Machines, Typewriter, Desks, etc. - all being the property of the Japan & Canada Trust Savings Company.
- Parcel C. Furniture and equipment, including Small Safe, Adding Machine, Typewriter, Filing Cabinet, etc. - all being the property of J. Kasho and Co., Ltd.
- Parcel D. Office Furniture and equipment, including Typewriter, Desks, Chairs, Filing Cabinet, etc. - all being the property of Canadian Salt Herring Exporters Limited.
- Parcel E. Office Desk owned by Moresby Island Fisheries Ltd.
- Parcel F. Steel Filing Cabinet and Oak Book Case owned by Salt Salmon Exporters of B. C. Limited.
- Parcel G. Office Equipment, including Filing Cabinets, Counter, Fluorescent Lighting Unit, etc. - all being owned by Green Cove Salteries Limited.
- Parcel H. Desk and Chair, etc. owned by Kiejo Nakamura.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned at their office up to noon (Daylight Saving Time) the sixteenth day of March, 1943, in each case upon the following terms and conditions:

- (A) Tenders shall be made separately for each parcel.
- (B) A certified cheque to the order of the undersigned for 10% of the tender price must be enclosed therewith; the balance of the tender price to be paid on acceptance of the tender; subject to the condition that should the tenderer not fulfill the terms of his offer and the conditions of the Notice calling for tenders, his tender will be cancelled and the amount deposited by him forfeited to the undersigned as liquidated damages; cheques in respect of unaccepted bids will be returned in due course.
- (C) The assets are offered for sale without any warranty whatsoever on the part of the undersigned as to quantity, condition or state of repair of such assets, and while the general idea thereof may be obtained from the inventories in the office of the undersigned, the sale thereof shall be made in each case subject to shortages and overages, the shortage to be at the charge of and the overage for the benefit of the successful tenderer.
- (D) Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

NAME *Latella (Papua New Guinea)*  
*Formally in Prothono till 1.67.*



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(E) The envelopes enclosing offers should be marked "Tender" addressed as follows:

P. S. Ross and Sons,  
675 Hastings Street West,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Inventories may be inspected during office hours any day up to noon on the fifteenth day of March, 1943, at the offices of P. S. Ross and Sons, 675 Hastings Street West, Vancouver, and arrangements may also be made to inspect the various assets.

P. S. Ross and Sons,  
675 Hastings Street West,  
Vancouver, B. C.

NAME

C. S. Ross (Papermiller)

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

April 8, 1943.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Acting Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Cost of Advertising

I have your letter of April 5th and have discussed this matter with the Deputy Custodian. He advises me that you should charge the cost of disposing of chattels against the sale price received, and this will apply to all cases whether the property is sold by the Japanese own agent or by the Custodian's agent on behalf of the Custodian.

This means that Mr. Good will have to make some new entries in his ledgers, transferring charges formerly carried by the Administration Account to the individual Japanese accounts. These charges will, of course, only cover charges incidental to the sale of the property and it should not be taken for granted that the cost of administering property will be charged against the Japanese; this will continue to be carried by the Administration Account as in the past.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Executive Assistant.

GWMcP/FC.

NAME

G. W. McPherson (Japanese)

Formerly Mr. McPherson's file J. 67



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CANADA  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

5th April, 1943.

G. W. McPherson Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Cost of Advertising

I find that there has been some difference in the manner of charging the cost of advertising when Evacuee chattels have been sold.

In some cases this cost has been charged to Administration and in others it has been paid out of the gross results of the sale.

When a Japanese has appointed his own Agent I think the costs of the advertisement might be taken from the proceeds of the sale. Should this be done where we have obtained the consent of the Japanese owner to the sale being made?

In cases covering perishable goods, or where for some reason it has been necessary to sell without the owner's consent, I suppose the cost must be borne out of Administration expenses.

The cost of the advertisement may vary from \$25.00 to \$50.00.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Acting Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*Evacuee (Japanese)*

*File J. 67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

March 30, 1943.

A. MacNamara, Esq.,  
Deputy Minister of Labour,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Chattels

I have your letter of March 26th addressed to Dr. Coleman, which has been referred to me for reply.

I have just returned from Vancouver where, together with Mr. F. G. Shears, the Acting Director of the Custodian's Office there, I had a meeting with your Mr. Collins and discussed the chattel problem. It was agreed that the Custodian, acting on the advice of the two local committees just established, would proceed to liquidate chattels with the exception of religious articles and chattels of a sentimental nature. Mr. Collins stated that there was no storage space available in the interior towns and that the Japanese now had all the chattels they required so that he could see no objection to the carrying out of suggested policy.

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Insofar as the charges made by agents are concerned, and with particular reference to the two cases cited in your letter, I wish to advise that the arrangements to ship chattels were made some time last fall by myself and Mr. Eastwood, at which time it was agreed that the Custodian, having agents throughout the protected area, would approve of those agents acting as shipping agents for the Security Commission insofar as the locating and shipping of chattels was concerned. It was also agreed that the expenses of such agents should be born by the Commission. Without having Mr. Hinton's side of the question it is, of course, impossible for the Custodian here to say whether or not the charges referred to were reasonable and I would suggest that Mr. Collins and Mr. Shears, who have all the facts available, might discuss the matter in Vancouver and arrive at a satisfactory settlement.

As regards Mr. Collins' suggestion that the services of the Custodian's agents in locating goods be a charge against the Government of Canada as a service to the evacuees, while this may be reasonable, I assume it will be absorbed by the Security Commission since the Custodian has no public funds, and it appears to be a matter relating to the physical evacuation rather than to the administration of property in the protected area.

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C. K. Kettle

(Japanese)

January 1944

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With reference to the charges made by the Custodian's agent, the charges itemized indicate that these are primarily for labor and freight charges, the total fees for the Custodian's agent being \$6.50 out of a total bill of \$37.98. In the case of Mr. Watanabe, where it is stated that Mr. Hinton received a letter and answered a telephone call and then apparently replied, the bill for this service is \$1.50 but of course it is impossible to say what work was involved after getting the telephone call in arranging for the release of the chattels so that the reply could be written.

Having spent considerable time in Vancouver and having been directly involved in the very difficult business of locating, sorting, labelling and storing chattels, I do not think that it is possible for the Custodian here to determine whether or not these accounts are reasonable and I would strongly recommend that they might, as suggested above, be settled by Mr. Shears and Mr. Collins.

Mr. Shears has been instructed to deal directly with Mr. Collins on matters arising in the Custodian's Vancouver office rather than refer them to Ottawa since it is felt that this procedure will facilitate the work of our two departments and avoid the delays incidental to the transmitting of mail to and from Vancouver.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Executive Assistant.

GWMcP/FC.

NAME

G. W. McPherson (Japanese)

File J-67





OFFICE OF THE  
MAR 29 1943  
Under Secretary of State

Ottawa, March 26, 1943.

Dr. E. H. Coleman, K.C.  
Under Secretary of State,  
O t t a w a.

The Commissioner of Japanese placement at Vancouver, Mr. George Collins, has inquired concerning charges made by the Custodians' Agents in various parts of British Columbia to locate Japanese goods which the owners wish forwarded to them.

When the British Columbia Security Commission receives a request from Japanese for certain effects, it is passed on to the Custodian who asks his nearest Agent to locate the articles, pack them properly and forward them to the Japanese. The account is submitted to the British Columbia Security Commission and they in turn require the Japanese to pay the charges provided the account does not include such articles as bedding, sewing machine etc.

Two examples were quoted by the Transportation Agents of the British Columbia Security Commission:

"T. Noda, 770 Lbs. of goods per articles listed on the back of Custodian Release of March 3rd, which had to be crated:

Custodian Agent, H. G. Hinton, Victoria, has charged for supervision	\$5.00
Stocker's Material and labour crating	5.95
Stocker's cartage	7.50
In addition to this the C.P.R. freight charges	<u>13.86</u>
	32.31

NAME

*George Collins (Japanese)*

*File J-67*



We expect to recover most of these charges from the Japanese consignee at Greenwood.

G. Watanabe at the same time had a shipment of two cartons effects, 105 lbs., from Victoria

For which the Custodian Agent, Mr. Hinton's bill is attached for  
Stocker's bill for weighing and carage  
C.P.R. freight charges

\$ 1.50  
2.00  
2.17  
\$ 5.67

None of this will be recovered as it is bedding and clothing to a man on maintenance at Sandon.

Now as to the Custodian Agent's charge in the latter case particularly: Instructions to ship were sent to L. Toy, 1804 Blanshard Street, Victoria, who actually had the goods and who was instructed to telephone Mr. Hinton for permission to make the shipment. A letter was sent to Mr. Hinton apprising him of these facts. What seems to stand out is the small part the Custodian Agent had in this transaction. He received a letter and answered the telephone, and replied sending his and Stocker's bills.

In the first case above mentioned some supervision may have been required at the warehouse on the part of the Custodian Agent."

Mr. Collins suggests that, rather than requiring the Japanese to pay for the services of the Custodian's Agent in locating their goods, it would be preferable to charge this amount to the Government of Canada as a Service to the Evacuees, who were removed from their homes by Government Order as a war measure.

I may say that I favour Mr. Collins' suggestion. We are endeavouring to persuade these people to move east into productive employment, and therefore, desire to avoid arousing resentment which may hamper such ~~moving~~ <sup>movement</sup> at this time.

*A. MacNamara*  
A. MacNamara.

NAME

*Mr. Hinton (Japanese)*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

March 5, 1943.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Acting Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Liquidation of Chattels

I have your letters of March 1st and March 2nd, with enclosures, and appreciate your problems. I would suggest that, if possible, this matter be allowed to stand until my arrival in Vancouver on Thursday.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Executive Assistant.

GWMcP/FC.

NAME

G. W. McPherson (Japanese)

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
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2nd March, 1943.

G. W. McPherson Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson,

I wrote to you yesterday with some reference to the possibility of sales being made by auction under certain circumstances.

We have to-day opened tenders in connection with the Uptown Coffee Shop which is jointly enemy and evacuee owned. The items consisted of such articles as a Wurlitzer Machine, Malted Milk Machine, Milk Shake Machine, Dishes, mirrors, chairs, cups and glassware.

There were several tenders by people who just tendered on a few items, none of which could be accepted in view of the valuation which had previously been made.

This might also appear to be the type of goods which would lend themselves to a satisfactory release by auction.

I am merely sending you this in view of the fact that I had brought this matter of auction to your attention yesterday.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Acting Director.

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
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1st March, 1943.

G. W. McPherson Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson,

I have just received the enclosed from Messrs. P. S. Ross  
& Sons.

I have not referred this to you so much in regard to the  
question of the joint advertisement which they suggest.

We have had one or two discussions as to the advisability  
of the disposition of certain types of furniture and other articles  
by Public Auction.

Mr. Field has not asked me to write to you in regard to  
this matter but I thought I would like to do so.

I would not doubt that in many cases the net results from  
a Public Auction would be better than would be obtained from the  
acceptance of Tenders.

By advertising of Tenders the number of people interested  
is limited because of the quantity and variety of articles usually  
included in each lot offered for sale.

In a Public Auction those interested are likely to be larger,  
some people requiring one article and some another. The main articles,  
or those of any particular value, could have a reserve bid placed on  
them as a protection to us.

I know that this has not been the policy and you may not  
wish to change from our method of advertising for Tenders and if the  
Tenders are not satisfactory rejecting same and afterwards conducting  
further sale negotiations.

General idea of repair of such assets, and while the  
in the office of the undersigned, the sale thereof shall  
be made in each case subject to shortages and overages,  
the shortage to be at the charge of and the overage for  
the benefit of the successful tenderer.

(D)

Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be  
accepted.

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G. W. McPherson Esq.

I presume that there can be no objection to an advertisement of the type suggested as each parcel is kept quite distinct and the combined advertisement would certainly reduce the cost of advertising.

Yours very truly,

24 Shears

F. G. Shears,  
Acting Director.

FGS/PMH

encl.

in the office of the undersigned, the sale thereof shall be made in each case subject to shortages and overages, the shortage to be at the charge of and the overage for the benefit of the successful tenderer.

(D)

Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(Japanese)

67.



26th February, 1943.

Attention Mr. Shears

We have stored in the Tamura Building eight parcels of furniture and equipment. With the exception of two parcels, one owned by K. Nakamura and one by Green Cove Salteries Limited, these parcels are owned by companies in the process of liquidation. We have written you a separate letter regarding the parcel owned by Green Cove Salteries Limited. We should also like instructions as to whether you would like us to dispose of the parcel of furniture owned by K. Nakamura.

It seems to us that an advertisement of this type will result in a considerable saving of expense and at the same time the policy of the Custodian will be adhered to.

Yours faithfully,  
R. J. Ross

general idea thereof may be obtained from the inventories in the office of the undersigned, the sale thereof shall be made in each case subject to shortages and overages, the shortage to be at the charge of and the overage for the benefit of the successful tenderer.

(D) Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(Papermiller)

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NOTICE OF CALLS FOR TENDERS  
OFFICE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

The Custodian of Enemy Property by virtue of the authority vested in him under the Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939) has instructed the undersigned to call for Tenders for the purchase of the undernoted assets.

- Parcel A. Furniture and equipment, including Large Safe, Adding Machine, Typewriter, Desks, etc. - all being the property of Toru Tamura.
- Parcel B. Furniture and equipment, including Large Safe, Adding Machines, Typewriter, Desks, etc. - all being the property of the Japan & Canada Trust Savings Company.
- Parcel C. Furniture and equipment, including Small Safe, Adding Machine, Typewriter, Filing Cabinet, etc. - all being the property of J. Kasho and Co., Ltd.
- Parcel D. Office Furniture and equipment, including Typewriter, Desks, Chairs, Filing Cabinet, etc. - all being the property of Canadian Salt Herring Exporters Limited.
- Parcel E. Office Desk owned by Moresby Island Fisheries Ltd.
- Parcel F. Steel Filing Cabinet and Oak Book Case owned by Salt Salmon Exporters of B. C. Limited.
- Parcel G. Office Equipment, including Filing Cabinets, Counter, Fluorescent Lighting Unit, etc. - all being owned by Green Cove Salteries Limited.
- Parcel H. Desk and Chair, etc. owned by Kiejo Nakamura.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned at their office up to noon (Daylight Saving Time) the sixteenth day of March, 1943, in each case upon the following terms and conditions:

- (A) Tenders shall be made separately for each parcel.
- (B) A certified cheque to the order of the undersigned for 10% of the tender price must be enclosed therewith; the balance of the tender price to be paid on acceptance of the tender; subject to the condition that should the tenderer not fulfill the terms of his offer and the conditions of the Notice calling for tenders, his tender will be cancelled and the amount deposited by him forfeited to the undersigned as liquidated damages; cheques in respect of unaccepted bids will be returned in due course.
- (C) The assets are offered for sale without any warranty whatsoever on the part of the undersigned as to quantity, condition or state of repair of such assets, and while the general idea thereof may be obtained from the inventories in the office of the undersigned, the sale thereof shall be made in each case subject to shortages and overages, the shortage to be at the charge of and the overage for the benefit of the successful tenderer.
- (D) Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

NAME

James C. Kettle (Japanese)  
Assembly for Japanese file J-67



(E) The envelopes enclosing offers should be marked "Tender" addressed as follows:

P. S. Ross and Sons,  
675 Hastings Street West,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Inventories may be inspected during office hours any day up to noon on the fifteenth day of March, 1943, at the offices of P. S. Ross and Sons, 675 Hastings Street West, Vancouver, and arrangements may also be made to inspect the various assets.

P. S. Ross and Sons,  
675 Hastings Street West,  
Vancouver, B. C.

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C. K. Kettle (Japanese)

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

19th February, 1943.

G. W. McPherson Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson,

I wrote to you yesterday with regard to asking Japanese  
for their consent to the sale of property when we receive offers.

As an example I have one before me where Messrs. Ker &  
Ker, on behalf of a client, the present tenant, offer to purchase  
a property for \$3,000.00, cash payment of \$1,000.00, \$30.00 monthly  
payments and 6% interest.

As you are aware, in the past we would submit such an  
offer to the Japanese. The question is whether we should continue  
to do so or to hold the whole question of liquidation in abeyance.

There is, however, another angle to this matter which I  
would like you to advise upon, and that is whether under any cir-  
cumstances we should be prepared to exercise the authority which  
we now have under the recent Order-in-Council.

There are certain cases cropping up from time to time  
where liquidation would appear to be the logical thing and yet we  
cannot get the Japanese owner's consent. A couple of cases in point  
are briefly as follows:

Kozo Kitagawa operated a store at Steveston, which he owns,  
and lists stock estimated at \$15,000.00. Our information is that this  
inventory is on the basis of considerably enhanced retail prices. Up  
until the present time Kitagawa has refused to entertain any idea of  
the sale of this property and wished the stock to remain undisturbed,  
yet at the same time endeavouring to hold us responsible.

Yours very truly,

F. B. Shaw,  
Acting Director.

NAME

G. W. McPherson (Japanese)

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G. W. McPherson Esq.

As you are aware, there has been a considerable amount of pilferage and burglary in the Steveston district and this store has been broken into on two or three occasions.

Kitagawa has now stated that he would be willing to sell at 20% below inventory prices, but it is not at all likely that this could be done. The stock includes nails and hardware, boots and shoes etc. all of which are of course very desirable in these times.

Another case has a slightly different angle, that is of Torogoru Nimi. He left a stock of drugs etc. supposedly worth \$7,000.00 in a building on Powell Street which he declared he owned and on which taxes were paid. Recent investigations have shown that the property is in the name of his father, a resident of Japan, and that the taxes have not been paid for the last three years.

Nimi still claims that the property belongs to him inspite of the fact that it is registered in his father's name. However, the real estate will of course be handled on the basis of enemy ownership.

We have started some negotiations with the Kaslo Drug Store asking them to submit an offer on some of the drugs, but there would still be a lot of stock of the type in which they would not be interested.

In both of the cases referred to, assuming that we are not able to obtain an offer satisfactory to the Japanese owner, should we advertise and dispose of these goods, irrespective of not having the consent of the owner?

The two cases referred to of course concern store merchandise, but there are some cases where the logical thing in regard to real estate itself might call for liquidation, but in which the Japanese owner would refuse to sanction any sale.

Some guidance in regard to the general matter of liquidation at the present time would be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Acting Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

*January 1941*



August 27th, 1942.

MEMO: Mr. Robert Bell.

Re: Fishing Vessels, Cameras,  
Radios and Cars

As a result of discussions held, I wish to advise you that you are being placed in charge of the above chattels, which I consider to be a very important part of the Custodian's work.

I have made arrangements for you to occupy space on the 9th floor, and you will have as your assistant, Mrs. Taylor, who came over from the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, and she will handle the Fishing Boats under your direction, and Miss Sullivan, the secretary who has handled the Cars for Mr. Read. I would suggest that Miss Sullivan work as your secretary in writing your letters, in addition to her work on the cars.

I am preparing memorandums for you on these articles, separately, so that you will have the Custodian's policy regarding them.

If at any time you wish to discuss these matters with me, I will, of course, be pleased to have you do so, and if you feel that you require any additional assistance, I trust you will not hesitate to discuss the matter with me.

I hope to have the separate memoranda, dealing with these matters, in your hands before the end of the week.

GWMcP:HW.

NAME

*Robert Bell (Japanese)*

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February 24th, 1945

MEMORANDUM RE CHATELS

FILE NO: 3303

NAME: Toyokumi ARIKADO

RE: Chatels at 201-205 Powell Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$ 857.10

AMOUNT OF BID: \$1000.00

APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: January 23rd, 1945

AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$1000.00

NAMES OF PURCHASERS: Sam Hee, Jang See, Sam Shew Ying,  
Sam Shew Chong Vancouver

KWW/JF  
Attach.

  
K. W. WRIGHT

NAME

Chatels (Japanese)

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Evacuation Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
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August 28th, 1944

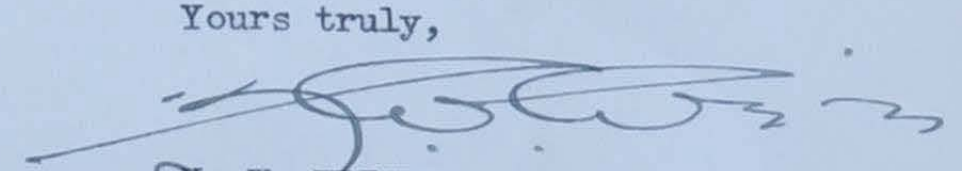
Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Matsu HANDA and Burrard Rooms

Dear Miss Carroll:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 23rd  
instant, enclosing documents duly executed by the Assistant Deputy  
Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF

NAME

Handwritten: K. W. Wright (Counsel to the Custodian)  
Handwritten: 1-67



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario. 7-87

August 23, 1944.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Matsu HANDA and Burrard Rooms

Your letter of August 15th, with enclosures, has  
been received. The documents have been duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

C. K. Kettle (Japanese)

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509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
August 15th, 1944

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Matsu HANDA and  
Burrard Rooms

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Attached hereto please find Bill of Sale, in triplicate, for execution by the Assistant Deputy Custodian. This relates to the equipment situated at the Burrard Rooms, 324 $\frac{1}{2}$  Powell Street, sold to Henley Chee and Jung Jack Wai, for the sum of \$300.00, which said sum has been received.

The chattels included in the Bill of Sale were appraised by Mr. W. G. B. Thompson, Auctioneer and Appraiser, who fixed the valuation at \$300.00.

The sale was duly approved by the Advisory Board on the 28th of June, 1944.

Will you please have the enclosed signed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and return same to us at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF  
Attach.

NAME

*Handwritten: G. W. McPherson (Representative)*  
*Handwritten: G. W. McPherson file J. 67*



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506 Royal Bank Building,  
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13th February, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

We are in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant  
returning Bill of Sale in connection with chattels formerly  
owned by Koto Hosaki duly executed by Mr. Mathieu, for which  
we thank you.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FMH

NAME

*Carroll, Miss (Reference)*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

May 5th, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Francis Masao Hattori and  
Shoichiro Sanada.

Your letters of April 23rd and 26th,  
enclosing Bills of Sale in connection with chattels  
formerly owned by the above noted parties have been received.

The documents have been duly executed by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

/MM

(Mrs.) M. Mansell.

NAME

Francis Masao Hattori (Japanese)

Shoichiro Sanada



21st April, 1945.

MEMORANDUM RE CHATELS

FILE NO: 2855  
NAME: Francis Masao Hattori  
RE: Garage equipment  
AMOUNT OF OFFER: \$350.00  
VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$342.50  
COMMITTEE'S APPROVAL: February 13th, 1945.  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$350.00  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Mrs. Wilhelmina V. Hall.

KWW/DG  
Attachs

  
K.W. WRIGHT

NAME

Francis Masao Hattori (Japanese)

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

20th May, 1946.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Suekichi HONKAWA

We are in receipt of your letter of the 14th  
instant returning Bill of Sale in connection with chattels  
formerly owned by the above duly executed by the Assistant  
Deputy Custodian, for which we thank you.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Suekichi Honkawa (Japanese)*  
*Formerly Mrs. Honkawa file J. 67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

May 14, 1946.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Suekichi HONKAWA

Your letter of April 30th enclosing Bill of Sale  
in connection with chattels formerly owned by the above named,  
has been received.

The Bill of Sale has been duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian and is returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

Suekichi Honkawa (Japanese)

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
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30th April, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Suekichi HONKAWA.

We are enclosing herein Bill of Sale in connection  
chattels formerly owned by the above named Japanese and shall  
be glad if you will have same executed by the Assistant Deputy  
Custodian at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

*Valn 500 includes real estate  
Real prop 200 for \$270  
Equip 230  
Apps by Advisory Bd.  
net 11-46  
Approved 6/5/46*

PMH

encl.

NAME

*Suekichi Honkawa (Japanese)*

*File 1-67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

April 7, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Koto Hosaki - File No. 12690

Your letter has been received enclosing Bill of Sale  
in connection with chattels formerly owned by the above noted  
party. The document has been executed by Mr. Mathieu and is  
returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*C. Mathieu (Japanese)*

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2nd April, 1945.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

I am enclosing herein Bill of Sale in connection  
with chattels purchased by Lim Butt and which were formerly  
owned by Koto Hosaki (File No. 12890).

I shall be obliged if you will kindly have this  
executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and returned to  
me at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Lim Butt*

*(Japanese)*

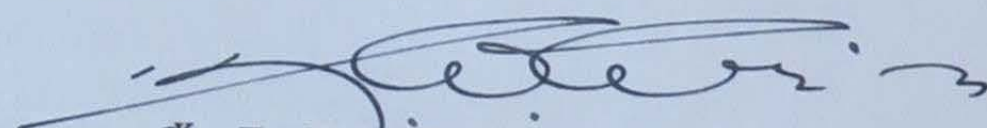
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April 2nd, 1945

MEMORANDUM RE CHATTELS

FILE NO: 12890  
NAME: Koto HOSAKI  
VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$ 497.60  
AMOUNT OF BID: \$ 497.60  
APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: March 15th, 1945  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$ 497.60  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Lim Butt

  
K. W. WRIGHT

NAME

Lim Butt (Japanese)

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

22nd October, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Yosokichi KATO - Goods and Chattels  
at 125 E. 2nd Ave., Vancouver, B.C.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant  
and thank you for returning Bill of Sale in connection with  
the above, duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Yosokichi Kato (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Shears*

*File J. 67*



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

October 18, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Yosokichi KATO - Goods and Chattels  
at 125 E. 2nd Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.

Your letter of October 6th with enclosures has been  
received.

The Bill of Sale has been duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian and is returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*Yosokichi Kato (Japanese)*

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CANADA  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

506 ROYAL BANK BLDG.  
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

October 6th, 1945

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Yosokichi KATO - Goods and Chattels  
at 125 E. 2nd Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.

Goods and chattels owned by the above Evacuee have been appraised for \$250.00 by Thompson & Company, and on account of the very poor condition of these goods it has been agreed by the Advisory Committee that they be sold to the tenant operating the building at the above figure. Cash for the amount in question has been received from Douglas Fletcher Christfield, the purchaser.

Enclosed herewith is Bill of Sale, in triplicate, signed by the purchaser, and we would appreciate your having same executed in due course and the documents returned to this office.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PD/ER  
Encs.

*Bill of Sale  
approved Oct 15-45  
D.C.*

NAME

*Yosokichi Kato (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Thompson file J-67*



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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
13th December, 1944.


Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll:

Re: Kiyoso KAZUTA and Chattels  
at 1200 Dunman Street

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication  
of 7th December returning Bill of Sale duly executed by the Assistant  
Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

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K. KAZUTA (Japanese)

Formally the Japanese file 1-67



Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

December 7, 1944.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Kiyoso KAZUTA and Chattels  
at 1200 Denman Street

Your letter of December 2nd, together with the  
enclosures, has been received.

The documents are returned herewith, having been  
duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours very truly,

Miss F. Carroll

FC.

NAME

*Kiyoso KAZUTA (Japanese)*

*Formerly from Japanese file J. 67*



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509 Royal Bank Building,  
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December 2nd, 1944

G. W. McPherson Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Kiyoso KAZUTA and  
Chattels at 1200 Denman Street

Dear Mr. McPherson:

We attach hereto Bill of Sale, in duplicate, for execution by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

This store equipment, owned by the above named, was rented to  
Wong Foon Gim and Frank Gee at a monthly rental of \$12.00. We are now in  
receipt of an offer from Frank Gee to purchase these chattels at a price of  
\$525.00.


Messrs. Thompson & Company, Valuers for the Custodian, in their  
report of November 23rd, 1944, value this equipment at \$539.50, but indicate  
a lesser value should the goods be removed from the premises.

Mr. Kazuta consented to a sale to Mr. Gee at a price of \$450.00,  
but we prevailed upon Mr. Gee to increase his offer to \$525.00.

Acceptance is hereby recommended.

Your kind attention would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF  
Encl.

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Kazuta (Japanese)

File J. 67



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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

12th March, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Kozo Kitagawa & Toyokumi Arikado

We are in receipt of your letter of the 5th instant  
returning Bills of Sale in connection with chattels owned by  
the above duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian, for  
which we thank you.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Kitagawa (Japanese)*

*File J. 67*



Ottawa, March 5, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Kozo Kitagawa & Toyokumi Arikado

Your letter of February 24th enclosing  
Bills of Sale in connection with chattels owned  
by the above noted parties has been received.

The documents have been duly executed  
by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are re-  
turned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

Kitagawa (Japanese)

formerly Mr. Hoshikawa file J-67



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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

24th February, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

I am enclosing herein two Bills of Sale as follows  
and shall be glad if you will kindly have same executed by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian and returned to me at your  
early convenience:

- ✓ File No. 1380/1 - Kozo Kitagawa to Mrs. Lily Shapiro
- ✓ " 3303 - Toyokumi Arikado to Sam Hee, Jang  
See, Sam Shew Ying and Sam Shew  
Tong.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH  
encl.

NAME

*Carroll, Miss (Japanese)*


*File J. 67*



21st February, 1945.

MEMORANDUM RE CHATTELS

FILE NO: 1380/1  
NAME: Kozo KITAGAWA  
VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$333.50  
AMOUNT OF BID: \$350.00  
APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: December 1st, 1944.  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$350.00  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Mrs. Lily Shapiro. Vancouver

  
K.W. WRIGHT

KWW/DG  
Attachs

NAME

*Chatteles (Japanese)*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

February 22, 1943.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Acting Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Kozo Kitagawa

I have your letter of February 19th and I have advised you that where you receive an offer for property you should follow the old policy of submitting the offer to the Japanese evacuee concerned and if he does not consent no sale is to be made at this time.

This applies to real estate but where you have stock and it is likely to deteriorate or disappear, and can be considered as perishable, I think you should advertise in the usual way and see what offers you get. I would suggest that the offers should not be accepted until submitted to this office unless the liquidation is being handled by an agent and the written recommendation of the liquidator is obtained. If you are handling the liquidation through the office I would suggest that the advertisement be an offer by the Secretary of State acting in his capacity as Custodian, with no signature attached.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Executive Assistant.

GWMcP/FC.

NAME

*Kitagawa (Japanese)*

*January 1943*



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FILE NO. 12811

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

30th September, 1943.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kitsilano Buddhist Mission

Just as a matter of information I am advising that we received word from the Fire Warden that the door of the above premises had been broken open.

I went with Mr. Smith and Mr. Green to 1684 West 1st Avenue and the place was in a terrible mess. Two circulating heaters had been removed but trunks, papers and almost everything else had been strewn around all over the floor.

There is a fair sized altar in this building and this has been badly broken and what may be marriage, birth certificates and other records strewn all over the place.

I instructed Mr. Smith to do the cleaning up of the condition around the altar himself, before having the rest of the building tidied up. As far as I know no public notice will be given of this.

This is one of the properties at which we asked the police to give special supervision and we have again written them in this connection.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*C. K. K. (Japanese)*

*formerly Mr. McPherson's file J. 67*



March 28th, 1945

MEMORANDUM RE CHATTELS

FILE NO: 1372

NAME: Ichijuro MATSUMOTO

VALUATION BY APPRAISER: Building - \$1800.00  
Equipment 400.00 \$ 2,200.00

AMOUNT OF BID: \$2,210.00


APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: July 26th, 1944

AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$1,005.00. Balance of purchase price, namely, \$1,205.00, payable in two payments of \$602.50 on June 15th, 1945, and June 15, 1946.

NAMES OF PURCHASERS:

Anthony P. Crawley and Sten Didrickson

KWW/JF  
Attach.

  
K. W. WRIGHT

NAME

Ichijuro Matsumoto (Japanese)

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FILE NO. 8556  
Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
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February 20, 1945

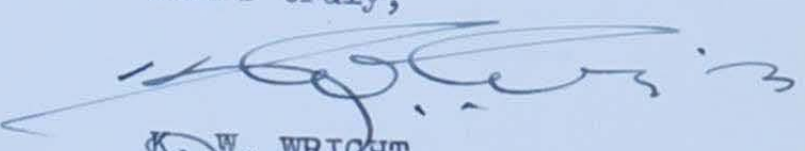
Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Kuri MIZUTANI and  
Chattels at 1758 West 4th Avenue

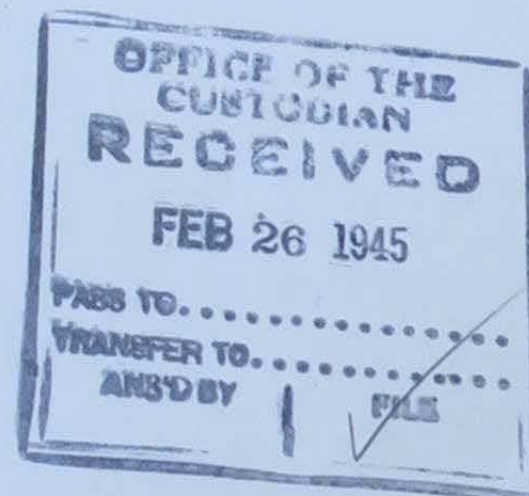
Dear Miss Carroll:

Your letter of February 14th, returning Bill of Sale covering  
chattels situate at the above address, duly executed by the Assistant  
Deputy Custodian has been received.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF



NAME

*Kuri Mizutani (Japanese)*

*Assembly for Repatriation File J. 67*



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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

February 14, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: 1758 W. 4th Avenue

Your letter of February 6th, enclosing Bill of  
Sale covering chattels at the above address, has been re-  
ceived.

The Bill of Sale has been duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian and is returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*Carroll, F. (Paperwork)*

*Formerly from Paperwork file J-67*

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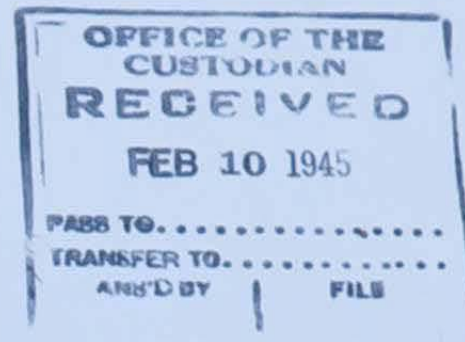
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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
6th February, 1945.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.




Dear Mr. McPherson:

Attached hereto is Bill of Sale, in duplicate,  
for signature of the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

The Grantees herein, Maxwell Garaway and Heiman  
Angel, are also the purchasers of premises at 1758 West 4th Avenue  
where these chattels are situated and we hereby recommend acceptance  
of their offer to purchase of \$413.50, which is the price fixed by the  
Appraisers, Messrs. Thompson & Company.

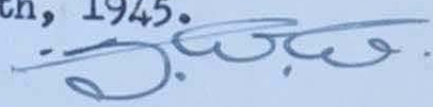
Your kind attention to this matter will be  
appreciated.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG  
Encls.

Sale of these chattels at the above price was approved by  
the Advisory Committee on January 29th, 1945.



NAME

*James McPherson (Japanese)*  
*James McPherson file J. 67*

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FILE NO. 9602  
Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
September 10th, 1945

Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Shigeki NISHIOKA

Dear Miss Carroll:

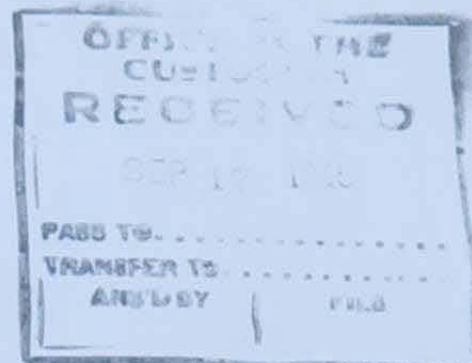
We are in receipt of your letter of the 29th  
ultimo, enclosing documents duly executed by the Assistant  
Deputy Custodian, for which we thank you.

We note we omitted to state that the sale of the  
chattel in this connection had been approved by the Advisory  
Committee and we regret this fact was overlooked by us. We  
will make certain that this item is included with other  
particulars in the future and wish to thank you for drawing  
the matter to our attention.

Yours very truly

*W. J. Johnston*  
W. J. Johnston  
Administration Department

WJJ/JF



NAME *Shigeki Nishio* (Japanese)  
*Formerly from Japanese file J. 67*

NO.

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

August 29, 1945.

W. J. Johnston, Esq.,  
Office of the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Re: Shigeki NISHIOKA

Your letter of August 24th, with enclosures, has been received. The documents have been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Mr. Mathieu mentioned the fact that the letter did not state that this sale had been approved by the Advisory Committee. However, on referring the matter to Mr. Wright he recalled that it had been approved by the Committee a few days before he left Vancouver. It would be very much appreciated if you would kindly mention the approval of the Committee in any other letters you may forward.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*C. L. Little (Japanese)*

*formerly from Japanese file J. 67*

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509 Royal Bank Building,  
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August 24th, 1945

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Shigeki NISHIOKA

Dear Mr. McPherson:

We enclose herewith Bill of Sale, in triplicate,  
for execution by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Documents herein relate to an 11,000 egg Petersine  
Electric Incubator, which was advertised for sale by tender on  
April 30, 1945. No tenders were received in response to this  
advertisement.

We are now in receipt of an offer from Mr. William  
A. Goodman, the Grantee named in the attached Bill of Sale, to  
purchase this machine at a price of \$400.00.

Messrs. Buckerfield's Limited, in their report of  
July 9, 1945, value this Incubator at \$400.00.

We have received the full amount of the purchase  
price and hereby recommend acceptance of Mr. Goodman's offer.

Yours truly,

*W. Johnston*  
W. Johnston  
Administration Department

*Mr. Johnston  
Document  
approved as to form  
Letter does not specify but  
I received this was approved by 188  
at our last meeting a few days  
before I left Vancouver  
JF  
27-8-45*

NAME

*Shigeki Nishiooka (Japanese)*

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6th April, 1946.

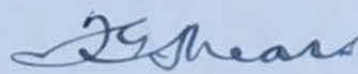
Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll

Re: Bunjiro OHASHI.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 6th  
instant and thank you for returning the Bill of Sale  
duly executed covering chattels sold to John and Ethel  
Hathaway and formerly owned by the above named Japanese.

Yours truly,



F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Carroll, Miss (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mrs. Hathaway file J. 67*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

April 1, 1946.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Bunjiro CHASHI

Your letter of March 16th, enclosing Bill of Sale covering chattels sold to John and Ethel Hathaway and formerly owned by the above named party, has been received.

The Bill of Sale has been duly executed and is returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*Chattels (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Hattaway's file J. 67*

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FILE NO. 1350/1

506 Royal Bank Building,  
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16th March, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Bunjiro OHASHI.

We are enclosing herein Bill of Sale covering certain  
chattels sold to John Vincent and Ethel Dorothy Hathaway for the  
sum of \$450.-

Real estate owned by the above Japanese was also sold  
by us to Mr. & Mrs. Hathaway under an Agreement of Sale.

The sale of the real estate and of the chattels was  
fully considered by the Advisory Committee on August 15th, 1945,  
and approved by them. Payments are being received under the  
Agreement of Sale for the real estate and the cash for the chattels  
referred to in the present Bill of Sale has been received by this  
office.

Will you kindly have these documents signed and returned  
to us in due course.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

encl.

NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

*Japanese Bill of Sale file J-67*

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FILE NO. 3377

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

2nd January, 1946.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Floating Bath House and two-room  
dwelling formerly owned by Takeo  
OIKAWA and located near Sunbury on  
the Fraser River.

We thank you for your letter of the 28th December  
returning Bill of Sale herein duly executed by the Assistant  
Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*C. K. Little (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. T. H. Little's file J-67*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

December 28, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Floating Bath House and Two-room dwelling  
formerly owned by Takeo OIKAWA and located  
near Sunbury on Fraser River

Your letter of December 20th enclosing Bill of Sale  
in connection with the above has been received. The documents  
have been duly executed and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*Carroll, F. (Japanese)*

*File J-67*

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FILE NO.

506 Royal Bank Building,  
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20th December, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Floating Bath House and Two-room  
dwelling formerly owned by Takeo  
OIKAWA and located near Sunbury on  
the Fraser River.

The above buildings were advertised in August of 1944.  
The highest tender received was from Mr. E. Torvik, the tenant,  
for \$150.00. The Advisory Committee approved of this sale in  
November 1944, the appraised value being \$110.00.

Mr. Torvik was advised to call here and sign the Bill  
of Sale but he was away in the North on fishing grounds and it  
is only recently that we have been able to secure his signature.

We are now enclosing Bill of Sale for signature by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F.N.

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS/PMH

NAME

*Takeo Oikawa (Japanese)*

*Formerly Sunbury on Fraser River*

No.

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5th April, 1945.

MEMORANDUM RE CHATTELS

FILE NO:

651

NAME:

Rinzo ONO

RE:

Livestock, equipment and chattels  
Situatd at Victoria, B.C.

APPRAISED VALUE:

\$2627.50

AMOUNT OF BID:

\$2627.50

APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: 1st March, 1945.

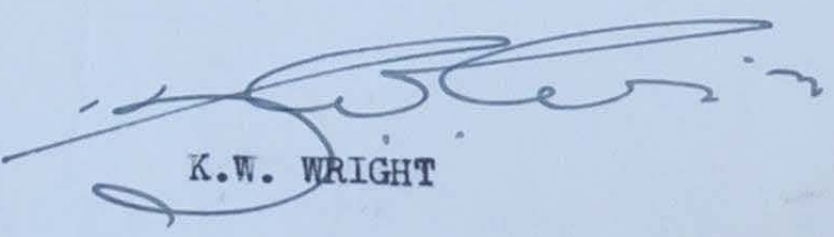
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN:

\$1000.00 - Balance of \$1,627.50 secured by  
Promissory Note - Payments to be received  
as follows:

\$100.00, with interest at 5%, on each of  
the 15th days of April, May, June, July,  
August, September, October, November,  
December, 1945, January, February, March,  
April, May, June and July, 1946 and  
final payment of \$27.50, with interest  
at 5%, on the 15th day of August, 1946.

NAME OF PURCHASER:

Ralph Strong

  
K.W. WRIGHT

KWW/DG  
Attachs

NAME

R. K. Kato (Japanese)

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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
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14th February, 1945.

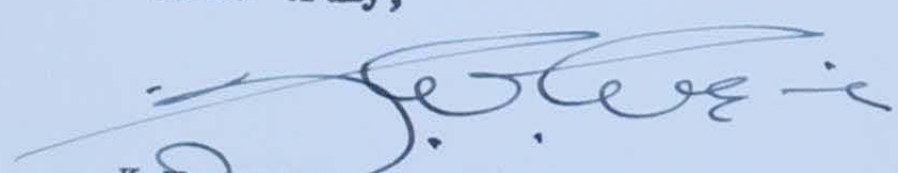
Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll:

Re: Yoshikazu ONO & Scow House

This will acknowledge your communication of 8th  
instant returning Bill of Sale, in duplicate, duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG



NAME

*Yoshikazu Ono (Japanese)*

NO.

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

February 8, 1945.

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K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Yoshikezu ONO & Scow House

Your letter of February 3rd has been received, together with the enclosures which have been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME *Yoshikezu Ono (Japanese)*  
*Yoshikezu Ono (Japanese) file J-67*

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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
3rd February, 1945.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State,  
Victoria Bldg., 70 Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Yoshikazu ONO and Scow House

Scow House owned by the above named was advertised  
for sale by tender on December 8th and 9th, 1944; bids received ranged  
from \$75.00 to \$400.00.

We would recommend acceptance of the \$400.00 bid  
made by Mr. Harvey Ernest Hess and enclose herewith Bill of Sale, in  
duplicate, for signature of the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Messrs. H.A. Roberts Limited placed a valuation  
of \$150.00 on this chattel.

Yours truly,



K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG  
Encls.

NAME

K. Kaitelle (Japanese)

Formerly Mr. Yoshikazu Ono till J. 67.

NO.

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26th April, 1945.

MEMORANDUM RE CHATELS

FILE NO: 8615  
NAME: Shoichiro SANADA  
RE: Cleaning & Pressing Equipment  
ADVERTISED: February 26th and 27th, 1945.  
APPRAISED VALUE: \$586.70  
AMOUNT OF BID: \$735.00  
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE: April 19th, 1945.  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$735.00  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Hoy Mah.

  
K.W. WRIGHT

KWW/DG  
Attachs - 3

NAME

Shoichiro Sanada (Japanese)

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FILE NO. Evacuee Section


509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
16th August, 1945.

Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll: Re: School Building, Coughlan Rd., Langley

Thank you for your communication of 11th instant  
returning Bill of Sale, in triplicate, duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

August 11, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: School Building, Coughlan Road,  
Langley, B.C.

Your letter of August 2nd has been received, together with the enclosures, which have been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*C. H. H. H. (S. H. H. H.)*

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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
2nd August, 1945.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the Secretary  
of State,  
Victoria Building, 7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:


Re: School Building, situate on  
Coughlan Road, Langley, B.C.

The above was advertised for sale by public  
tender from November 23, 1944 to December 14th, 1944. Offers received  
ranged from \$40.00 to \$100.00, all of which were rejected as they  
were far below the appraised value of \$350.00.

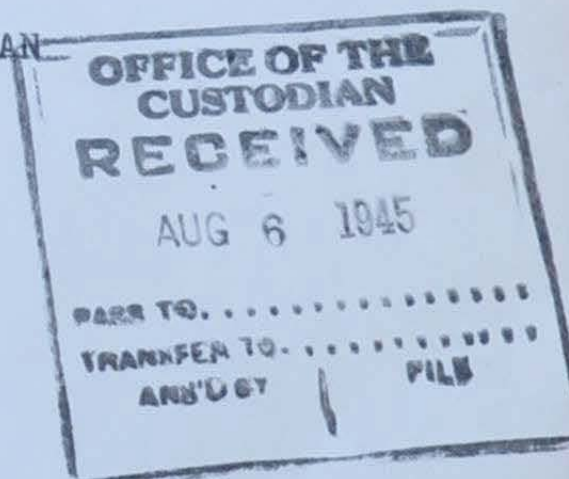
We are now in receipt of offer of \$350.00  
from Mr. John Joseph Leuck and would recommend that same be accepted.

If this offer meets with the approval of the  
Custodian, will you be good enough to have the enclosed Bill of Sale,  
in triplicate, executed and return to this Office.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG  
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NAME

*W. H. H. H. (Japanese)*

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FILE NO. ....

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

24th February, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Asato Shimizu.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 8th  
instant returning Bill of Sale in connection with the  
above named duly executed by the Assistant Deputy  
Custodian, for which we thank you.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Asato Shimizu (Japanese)*

FILE NO.

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7-87  
Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

February 3, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Asato SHIMIZU

Your letter of January 22nd has been received, together with the enclosures which have been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

Asato Shimizu (Japanese).

Previously from Headquarters file J-67.

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FILE NO. 921

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

22nd January, 1945.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Asato SHIMIZU

I am enclosing herein Bill of Sale in duplicate  
duly signed by the Grantees, Henley Chee and Jung Jack Wai,  
and shall be glad if you will have same executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian and returned to me in due course.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

encl.

NAME

*Asato Shimizu (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. McPherson's file J-67.*

NO.

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario,

May 9th, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Miss Kuniko Sugaya and Shigematsu  
Toyosaki - Your File Nos. 12300  
and 9517.

Your letter of May 1st, enclosing Bill  
of Sale in connection with cleaning and pressing equipment  
formerly owned by the above noted parties has been received.

The documents have been duly executed by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

(Mrs.) M. Mansell.

/MM

NAME

C. K. Kettle (Japanese)

Formerly from Japanese File J-67

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FILE NO.

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

1st May, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

We are enclosing herein Bill of Sale in connection  
with cleaning and pressing equipment formerly owned by Miss  
Kuniko Sugaya and Shigematsu Toyosaki (File Nos. 12300 and  
9517) and shall be glad if you will kindly have same executed  
by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and returned to us at your  
early convenience.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH  
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NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

NO.

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May 1st, 1945

MEMORANDUM RE CHATTELS

FILE NOS: 12300 and 9517  
NAME: Miss Kuniko SUGAYA and Shigematsu TOYOSAKI  
ADVERTISED: February 26th and 27th, 1945.  
VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$461.00  
AMOUNT OF BID: \$575.00  
APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: April 13, 1945  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$575.00  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Barney Pullan *Vancouver B.C.*

  
K. W. WRIGHT

KWW/JF  
Attach. 3

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*Chatteles (Japanese)*

*Formerly the Japanese will J. 67.*

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FILE NO. 6638  
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509 Royal Bank Building,  
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August 28th, 1944

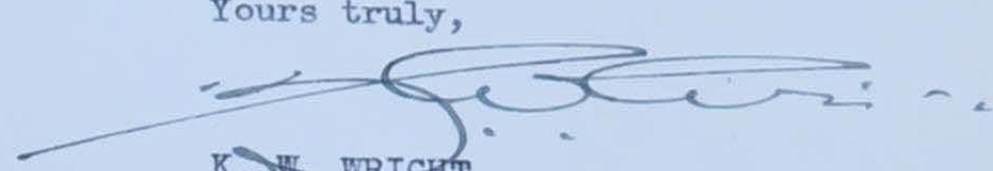
Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Tokichi TAKEUCHI and Lions Rooms

Dear Miss Carroll:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your communication  
of the 23rd instant, enclosing documents duly executed by the Assistant  
Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF

NAME

*Carroll, F. (Japanese)*

*File J. 67*

NO.

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

August 23, 1944.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Tokichi TAKEUCHI and Lions Rooms

Your letter of August 15th, with enclosures, has  
been received. The documents have been duly executed by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

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*Carroll, F. (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Matthews file J. 67*

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FILE NO. 6638  
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509 Royal Bank Building,  
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August 15th, 1944

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G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Tokichi TAKEUCHI and  
Lions Rooms

Dear Mr. McPherson:

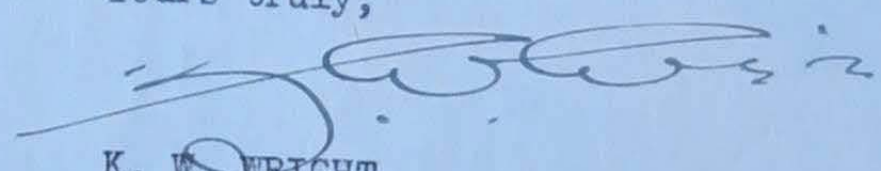
Attached hereto please find Bill of Sale, in triplicate, for execution by the Assistant Deputy Custodian. This relates to the equipment situated at the Lions Rooms, 316 Powell Street, sold to Henley Chee and Jung Jack Wai, for the sum of \$175.00, which said sum has been received.

The chattels included in the Bill of Sale were appraised by Mr. W. G. B. Thompson, Auctioneer and Appraiser, who fixed the valuation at \$175.00.

The sale was duly approved by the Advisory Board on the 28th of June, 1944.

Will you please have the enclosed signed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and return same to us at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF  
Attach.

NAME

Chattels (Japanese)

Formerly from Japanese file J. 67

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July 20th, 1945

MEMORANDUM RE CHATELS

FILE NO: 4987  
NAME: Gonshiro TANIISHI  
VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$137.75  
AMOUNT OF BID: \$137.50  
APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: April 6, 1945  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$137.50  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Owen Fisher

  
K. W. WRIGHT

KWW/JF  
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NAME

Gonshiro Taniishi (Japanese)

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FILE NO. ....

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

20th July, 1945.

Mrs. Mansell,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mrs. Mansell,

We are enclosing herewith Bill of Sale in triplicate covering chattels at 36 Moncton Street, Steveston, formerly belonging to Gonshiro TANIISHI, Our File No. 4987, and shall be glad if you will have same executed by the Deputy Custodian and returned to us at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
per *F. G.*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

/AS

encl.

*For Miss Carroll*  
*[Signature]*

NAME

*Chattels (Japanese)*

*Assembly from Japanese file J. 67.*

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FILE NO. 3233

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.  
23rd March, 1946.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Kazutaro TATEBE

We are in receipt of your letter of the 13th instant  
returning Bill of Sale covering chattels belonging to the  
above named party, duly executed by Mr. A.H. Mathieu, for which  
we thank you.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Kazutaro Tatebe (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Mathieu's Bill J. 67*

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Victoria Building,  
70 Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

March 13, 1946.

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F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Kagutaro TATEKI

Your letter of March 6th enclosing Bill of Sale  
covering chattels belonging to the above named party, has  
been received.

The documents have been duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*C. K. K. K. (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Kagutaro Tateki J. 67*

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FILE NO. 3233

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

6th March, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Kazutaro TATEBE

I am enclosing herein Bill of Sale covering certain  
chattels belonging to the above which were sold to Mr. G. O.  
Morris.

Mr. Morris was the tenant of a property owned by the  
above and Tatebe consented to the sale of these articles at  
the price realized.

Will you kindly have this Bill of Sale executed by  
Mr. Mathieu and returned to us in due course.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

*Approved as to form  
mch 11-46  
J. G. B.*

FGS/PMH  
encl.

NAME

*K. Tatebe*

*(Japanese)*

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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
16th August, 1945.


Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll:

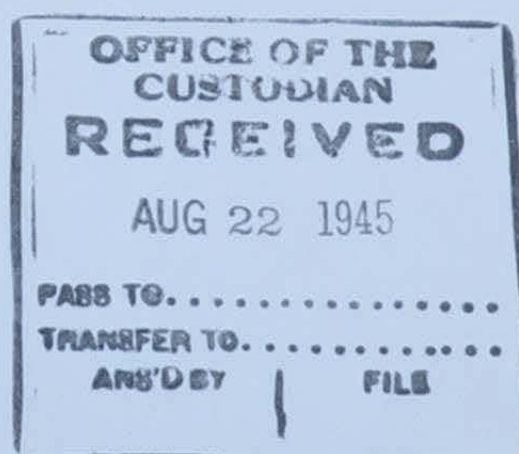
Re Isami UJIMOTO

Thank you for your communication of 11th instant  
returning Bill of Sale, in triplicate, duly executed by the  
Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG



NAME

*Isami Ujimoto (Japanese)*  
*Previously from Japanese file J-67*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

August 11, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Issamu UJIMOTO

Your letter of August 3rd has been received, together with the enclosures, which have been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME *C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*  
*Formerly from Japanese file J-67*

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FILE NO. Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
3rd August, 1945.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the Secretary  
of State,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Isamu UJIMOTO

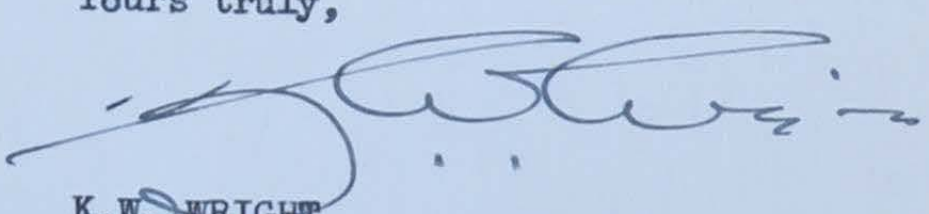
Enclosed herewith you will find Bill of Sale,  
in triplicate, for execution by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

The equipment included in the Bill of Sale is  
located in a store building purchased by the grantee, Fred B. Hutchison.  
Mr. Hutchison submitted an offer to purchase the goods for \$375.00  
and an appraisal was made by Messrs. McLennan, McFeely and Prior  
who valued the goods for \$323.00.

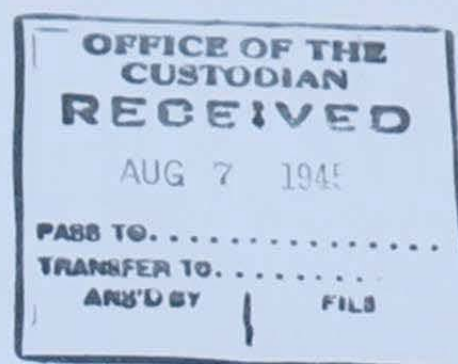
This matter was brought before our Advisory  
Committee and they approved the sale at a meeting held in Judge  
Whiteside's Chambers on April 6th, 1945.

Will you be good enough to return the documents  
duly executed at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG  
Encls.



NAME

*Isamu Ujimoto (Japanese)*  
*Formerly from Hutchison's file J-67*

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Evacuee Section

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Vancouver, B.C.,  
30th January, 1945.

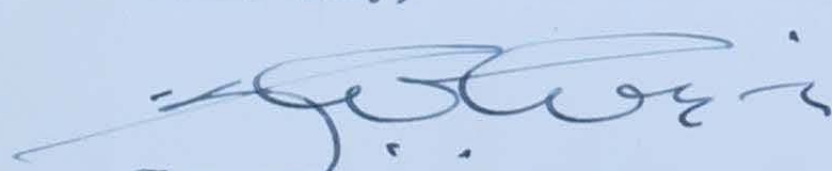
Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll:

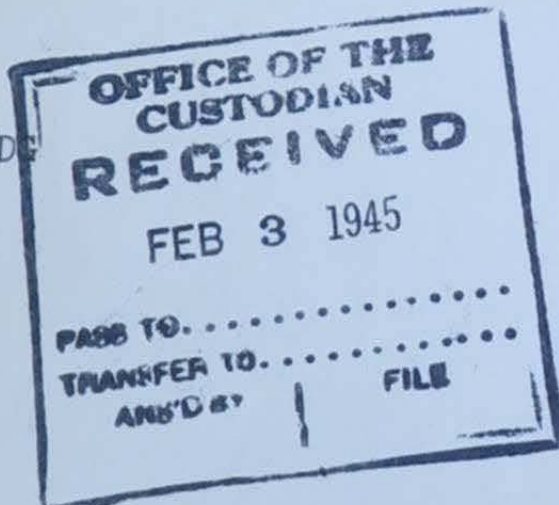
Re: Ito WATANABE

This will acknowledge receipt of your communication of 25th instant returning Bill of Sale, in duplicate, duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DC



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*Family for Japanese*  
*Family for Japanese*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

January 25, 1945.

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K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Ito WATANABE

Your letter of January 20th has been received, together with the enclosure, which has been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and is returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME

*Carroll, F. (Japanese)*

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509 Royal Bank Building,  
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January 20th, 1945

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Ito WATANABE

Dear Mr. McPherson:

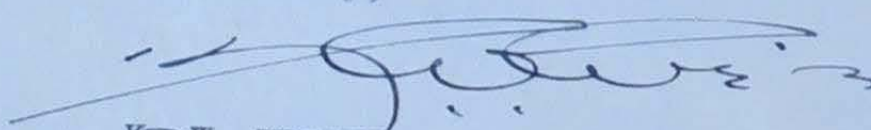
We attach hereto Bill of Sale, in duplicate, for execution  
by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

This document covers furniture and fixtures situate at the  
Landon Hotel, 936 Granville Street, Vancouver, B. C. Mrs. Watanabe has  
approved the sale to the Grantee and the Advisory Committee also approved  
on January 3rd, 1945.

We have received the full amount of the purchase price, namely  
\$4,500.00, and hereby recommend acceptance of Mr. Follett's offer.

Your kind attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

  
K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF  
Attach.

NAME

*James McPherson (Japanese)*  
*James McPherson Bill J. 67*

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

14th November, 1946.

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FILE NO. 7826  
Your file J-87

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Chattels of Kaneko YAMAGUCHI

We are in receipt of your letter of the 9th instant  
and thank you for returning the Bill of Sale herein duly  
executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

As requested we are having the signatures of the  
Grantees witnessed.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*Chattels of Kaneko Yamaguchi (Japanese)*

NO.

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Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario  
November 9, 1946

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Chattels of Kaneko YAMAGUCHI  
Your File No. 7826

Dear Mr. Shears:

We have for acknowledgment your communication of  
the 4th instant and return herewith Bill of Sale, in duplicate,  
duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

In order to complete these documents, would you kindly  
have the signatures of the Grantees witnessed.

Yours very truly,

K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/JF  
Encl.

NAME

*Chattels (Japanese)  
formerly Mr. Yaguchi's file J-67*

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
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4th November, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Chattels of Kaneko YAMAGUCHI  
at 543 Front St., New Westminster

I am enclosing herein Bill of Sale for signature by  
the Assistant Deputy Custodian.

The sale of these goods was effected to the tenant.  
Two appraisals were obtained which established a maximum value  
of \$167.25. The sale was completed after consultation with Mr.  
McMaster, Solicitor acting on behalf of the Japanese owner.

Certain arrears of rent were also collected at the  
time the sale of chattels was agreed and the sale price  
collected.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

*Approved 8/11/46*  
*[Signature]*

FGS/PMH

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Vancouver, B.C.,  
12th October, 1944.

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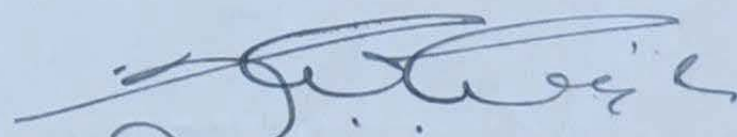
Miss F. Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building, 70 Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll:

Re: Shotaro YAMAKAMI & Cleaning equip-  
ment at 706 West Broadway

This will acknowledge receipt of your commun-  
ication of 5th instant returning Bill of Sale, in duplicate, duly  
executed by Mr. Mathieu.

Yours truly,



K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG

NAME *K. Mathieu (Japanese)*  
*formerly Mr. Mathieu's file J. 67.*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

October 5, 1944.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Shotaro YAMAKAMI & Cleaning equip-  
ment at 706 W. Broadway.

Your letter of September 29th, with enclosures, has  
been received, and the documents are returned herewith, duly  
executed.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME *Shotaro Yamakami* (Japanese).  
*Assembly for Inspection File J-67.*

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FILE NO. 1933

Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
29th September, 1944.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the Secretary  
of State of Canada,  
Victoria Building, 70 Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Shotaro YAMAKAMI and  
Cleaning Equipment at 706 W. Broadway

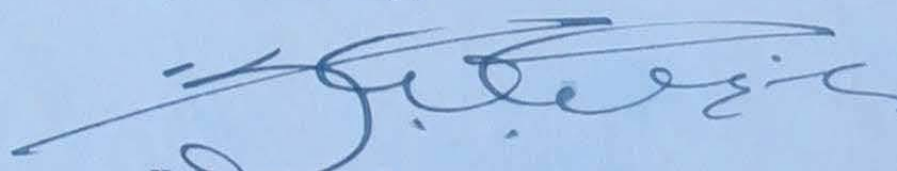
Dry Cleaning Equipment owned by the above noted  
Japanese located at 706 West Broadway was advertised for sale by tender  
on August 9th, 10th and 11th, 1944. Several tenders were received, the  
highest being for \$725.00.

We are in receipt of Mrs. Shone's certified cheque  
for \$725.00 and would recommend acceptance of this offer.

The equipment has been appraised by Thompson  
and Company at \$525.75.

Enclosed herewith is Bill of Sale, in duplicate,  
signed by the purchasers, and we would appreciate your having Mr. Mathieu  
execute same.

Yours truly,



K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG  
Encls.

NAME C. Mathieu (Japanese)  
Assembly for Japanese file J-67

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J-27  
Victoria Building,  
70 Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

January 11, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Custodian,  
509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Shotaro YAMAKAMI & Genkyu IWAMA

Your letter of January 5th has been received, together with the enclosures, which have been duly executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

Miss F. Carroll

FC.

NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

*File J. 67*

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FILE NO. 790 Enemy

509 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
5th January, 1945.

G.W. McPherson, Esq.,  
Executive Assistant to the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. McPherson:

Re: Shotaro Yamakami & Genkyu Iwama and  
Cleaning & Pressing Equipment

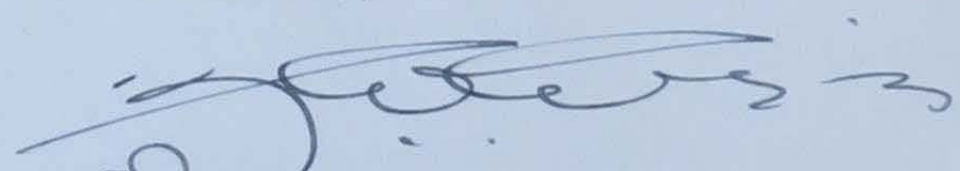
The above assets were advertised for sale by  
tender on November 30th, 1944 but no bids were received in response  
to our advertisement. We now have offer of \$2,100.00 from Aristocrat  
Wholesale Cleaners, together with their certified cheque for this  
amount and would recommend acceptance of this offer.

Messrs. Thompson & Company have placed a val-  
uation of \$2,017.25 on these chattels and sale at \$2,100.00 was  
recommended by the Advisory Committee on 30th December, 1944.

Bill of Sale, in quadruplicate, has been signed  
by James Simkin, Manager of Aristocrat Wholesale Cleaners the Grantee,  
and is forwarded herewith for signature of the Assistant Deputy  
Custodian.

Your attention to this matter will be very much  
appreciated.

Yours truly,

  
K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG  
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NAME

*Shotaro Yamakami & Genkyu Iwama (Japanese)*

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23rd March, 1945.

MEMO RE CHATELS

FILE NO: 8717  
NAME: Noboru Yamazaki  
VALUATION: \$140.00  
AMOUNT OF OFFER: \$140.00  
APPROVAL BY COMMITTEE: October 3, 1944  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$140.00  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Esther Edna Blaeser

  
K.W. WRIGHT

KWW/DG  
Attach

NAME *Chattels (Japanese)*  
*Formally for Japanese file J-67*

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23rd April, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Kiyomi Yano.

We thank you for your letter of the 18th instant  
returning documents in connection with the above duly  
executed.

Yours truly,

*F. G. Shears*

F. G. Shears,  
Director.

PMH

NAME

*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

*Formerly Mr. Kiyomasa Kille J. 67*

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

April 18, 1945.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Director,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Kiyomi YANO

Your letter of April 13th has been received, together with the enclosures.

The documents have been duly executed and are returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

FC.

Miss F. Carroll

NAME *L. Kaitaka (Japanese)*  
*Formerly Mr. Yoshinori Kaitaka*

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506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

April 13, 1945.

Miss Carroll,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Victoria Building,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Miss Carroll:

Enclosed herewith please find Bill of Sale  
in duplicate covering cleaning and pressing equipment formerly  
belonging to Kiyomi YANO, and shall be glad if you will have  
same executed by the Assistant Deputy Custodian and returned  
to us at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,

*F. G. Shears*  
F. G. Shears,  
Director.

FGS:AS  
encl.

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*C. K. Kettle (Japanese)*

*formerly from Japanese file J. 67*

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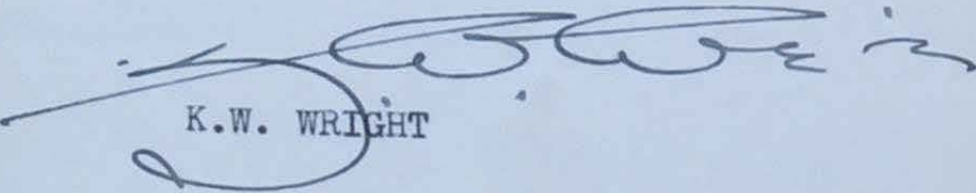


10th April, 1945.

MEMORANDUM RE CHATELS

FILE NO: 11191  
NAME: Kiyomi YANO  
RE: Cleaning and Pressing Equipment  
DATE ADVERTISED: February 26th, 1945 to 19th March, 1945  
APPRAISED VALUE: \$517.00  
AMOUNT OF BID: \$608.00  
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE: April 13th, 1945  
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$608.00  
NAME OF PURCHASER: Seto Lin

KWW/DG  
Attachs

  
K.W. WRIGHT

NAME Seto Lin (Japanese)  
Formerly Mr. Hoshinono file J. 67

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