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Vernon, B. C.,

February 25th, 1948.

F.A. Brewin, Esq.,  
Sterling Tower,  
Toronto 1, Canada.

RE: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Dear Andy:

The Honourable Mr. Justice Bird has written to Earl Smith, Secretary of the Law Society, or he wrote to Judge Ian McDonnell (however the hell you spell his name), who in turn consulted Smith about court room space for the sittings in Toronto, which, as you know, commence 1st of May. The reply which he received was singularly discouraging and indicated that no court room space would be available in the City Hall and that Osgoode Hall was not generally used for a purpose involving witnesses. He asked me if I would drop you a line and see if you could find some place where the Commission could sit.

If you could see your former partner, the Chief Justice, you could probably find out very quickly whether the facts are as stated or whether we are receiving a brush-off.

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February 25th, 1948.

The Commissioner suggested that if no court rooms were available it might be that some place like St. James Parish Hall, which is close to the King Edward, might be used. It is possible that the Metropolitan Church might have a room which would be suitable. The desire of the Judge is to have a hall as close as possible to the King Edward. If you communicated with John Allen he could find out about the Metropolitan Church as he is one of the props of that institution. I should greatly appreciate it, and I know the Commissioner would, if you could look into this matter at your earliest convenience and let me have a reply. Next week we shall be at the Province Hotel in Grand Forks, and for the following two weeks we shall be at the Hume Hotel in Nelson.

Yours sincerely,

*John W. G. Hunter*

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March 2, 1948.

John W. G. Hunter Esq.,  
Province Hotel,  
Grand Forks, B. C.

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Dear John:  
I have your letter of February 25th about

arranging a court room for the hearings.

I spoke to Mr. Smyth the Registrar and he tells me that it will in fact be quite impossible to secure a court room either at Osgoode Hall or the City Hall, as the available space is already far short of meeting the needs of the various courts.

I do not think St. James Parish Hall would be satisfactory. I know that the Anglican Synod is meeting there in May and in any event the rooms there are far from satisfactory. I have telephoned to John Allen, and he is going to get in touch with the Metropolitan Church and advise me as to whether they have suitable rooms available, as soon as possible.

In the meantime I hand on for your consideration and that of the Commissioner, two other suggestions. The first is that we could use the Central Building on Richmond Street. This board room is used for Boards of Conciliation. The room is not altogether satisfactory but it will accommodate in the neighbourhood of twenty people and has the advantage in that there is no doubt that we can secure it for the full time required without any interference or disturbance. The other suggestion is that I have is that we probably get a committee room in the Parliament Buildings. This, of course, would have the disadvantage of being further to go from the hotel and would involve negotiations with the authorities at Queens Park. However, I think the legislature is not likely to be in session then, I think there would be no doubt that a committee room could be made

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March 2, 1948.

John W. G. Hunter Esq.

available, and it will no doubt be a welcome courtesy on the part of the Provincial Government to make space available to a committee appointed by the Dominion Government.

I will report to you as soon as possible what information John Allen gets from the Metropolitan Church. In the meantime you might let me have your views on the Department of Labor board room and the Queens Park committee room as possibilities.

Yours sincerely,

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Charge: Cameron, Weldon & Brewin,  
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Andrew Brewin, Esq.,  
Barrister, etc.,  
Sterling Tower,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Andrew:

Re: VALUATIONS - JAPANESE CLAIMS.

I saw Mr. Hewer on the 25th and from what I ascertained from our conversation, I would take it that he is an extremely competent man and may be very useful to us. We had about an hour's discussion. He is not sure whether he wants to commit himself to the deal and we would have to clarify the financial basis. However, I will see him again on March 6th when I return from Grand Forks and will give you a further report. Certainly on Fraser Valley lands he seems to know his business and appears to have had good experience in purchasing property for the Air Force and Navy during the War. With Yamaga's assistance, I believe he will be quite useful.

Yours truly,

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A. F. Brewin, Esq.,  
Barristers, etc.,  
Sterling Tower,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Andy:

Re: Japanese Claims Commission.  
Conference of Prairie Solicitors.

This is just to confirm that the conference  
will be held at Regina, on Saturday, the 13th of March.  
I expect Mr. Cherniack and Mr. Shumiatcher will be attend-  
ing but the solicitors in Lethbridge find it impossible  
to be present.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER & McMASTER,

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HUME HOTEL  
NELSON, B. C.  
JACK MOSS, MANAGER  
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Adm'd March 6 Mon 48

Dear Lady:

Thank you for your letter of the 2nd.  
There seem to be 3 alternatives, the Metropolitan Church (?)  
the Coburn Board Room or a committee room at the Oddygo.  
I give your information to the Judge and  
subject to more information concerning the Mt. Church Hall.  
I indicated the Coburn Civilization Board Room would  
be satisfactory. After all, speculations are hardly  
of the essence.

However, the Commissioner requested that I  
go ahead and make whatever arrangements I deemed  
satisfactory; which to my mind, means for you to  
do whatever you think most suitable.  
Would you therefore be kind enough to make  
whatever arrangements you think best? Please advise  
us what you have done.

Thank you very much for your trouble and  
Mr. Justice Bird has asked that I appear to you in  
opposition for your cooperation.

Sincerely,  
John W. C. Hunter

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March 8, 1948

National Japanese Canadian  
Citizenship Association  
c/o Mr. A. Brewin  
Sterling Tower  
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Sirs:

Re: Japanese Property Claims

We enclose herewith a statement showing our  
disbursements since last October.

You will note that we received \$300.00 from  
the Greenwood Committee and we would ask that they be  
reimbursed for this amount.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL, BRAZIER, FISHER & MCMASTER

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March 16, 1948.

John W. G. Hunter Esq.,  
Barrister, etc.,  
c/o The Honourable Mr. Justice Bird,  
Commissioner to inquire into Japanese Property Claims,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear John:

I have heard from the Metropolitan Church that they would be willing to make available two rooms on the main floor, one being their main Board Room.

My belief is that this would be more satisfactory than the Labour Conciliation Board Room as I think it is both more roomy and more attractive.

Unless I hear from you or Mr. Justice Bird to the contrary, I will go ahead and make definite arrangements for the rooms in the Metropolitan Parish Hall, the entrance to which is on 51 Bond Street.

While I am writing to you I was wondering if there is any way by which you could let us in Ontario know well in advance what cases the Commissioner would be dealing with, or would it be possible for us to suggest some of the more important cases that he might deal with and arrange to have some of them available.

I would also be glad to know if it would be at all possible to let us have the Custodian's files on claims analyses on some of our Ontario cases well in advance.

I have been discussing with Mr. McMaster the procedure that you have adopted and it would save us a tremendous amount of time if we could have these files available while we are preparing the claimants written forms, and if we could get started on this shortly I think we would have everything lined up to move more smoothly and expeditiously when the Commissioner and yourself arrive here.

With kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

J. A. Brown  
per H.C.

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March 16, 1948.

Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher & McMaster,  
Barristers,  
675 West Hastings Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. R. J. McMaster.

Re: Japanese Canadian Claims

Dear Bob:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter which I sent to the Custodian addressed to Royal Bank Building in Vancouver. This is the letter about communications that I discussed with you the other day. I will be glad to hear from you whether you think this letter should be sent directly to the Secretary of State, or whether you can get any information as to the view taken of it by the Custodian.

I will be sending to you under separate cover shortly, copies arranged in alphabetical order of all the claims that have been filed.

I will also be preparing some sort of report of our discussions at Regina. All of us were very much impressed with the hard work which you had done, and the satisfactory result in establishing the form of procedure. We also felt the great value of having had the opportunity to discuss these things with you.

Yours sincerely,

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March 16, 1948.

Messrs. Ritchie & Huckvale,  
Messrs. Barristers, & Chancery,  
Barr Acadia Building, 1001,  
31-4, 612 Third Avenue South,  
Winnipeg, Lethbridge, Alberta.

Attention Mr. W. E. Huckvale

Dear Sirs:

Re: Japanese Canadian Claims

Dear Mr. J. Huckvale: I would be very glad if you could have  
the enclosed letter delivered to Mr. Hunter.

I understand that the Commission is to  
have open sittings in Lethbridge next week.

Wishing you the best of luck in your  
presentation.

Yours sincerely,

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*F. A. Brown  
per H.C.*

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*John A. MacLennan*  
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Messrs. Cameron, Weldon & Hreslin,  
Barristers & Solicitors,  
Messrs. Cherniack & Cherniack,  
Barristers and Solicitors,  
31-460 Main Street,  
Winnipeg, Canada.

Re: Japanese Claims

Dear Sirs:-

I am enclosing herewith copy of a

memorandum which I have prepared in connection with  
the conference at Regina.

Yours sincerely,

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It also seems to us that (possibly because of  
some real estate valuations) to make a case  
someone with his qualifications of property valuation  
on a certain number of services are going to be  
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of definite value. We feel that a valuation of  
experience will give us a great deal of needed  
ance in determining what the nature of the service  
finally should be but we cannot get a valuation  
Go into that matter with us until we have had more  
experience in actually working on the problem  
unfortunately we cannot get anyone actually working  
on the problem until we can assure him there will  
be proper remuneration for his services.

Both Mr. Morris and the writer feel that  
court proceedings to question the Honorable Mr.  
Justice Bird's ruling on the deterioration of  
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CAMERON WELDON  
& BREWIN March 16th, 1948

Messrs. Cameron, Weldon & Brewin,  
Barristers & Solicitors,  
Sterling Tower,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention: Mr. Brewin

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Japanese Claims

We acknowledge your letter of February 25th and the writer is now endeavouring to contact Mr. Hewer. We have already had some discussion with Mr. McMaster re the proposed services of writing Hewer and it is our opinion at the moment of writing that his services would definitely be of value to the Commission.

It also seems to us that we will have to try some real estate valuator (possibly Mansell or someone with his qualifications) to make a test valuation on a certain number of properties before we can decide whether such services are going to be of definite value. We feel that a valuator of experience will give us a great deal of needed assistance in determining what the nature of the evidence finally should be but we cannot get a valuator to go into that matter with us until we have had some experience in actually working on the problem and unfortunately we cannot get anyone actually working on the problem until we can assure him there will be proper remuneration for his services.

Both Mr. Norris and the writer feel that court proceedings to question the Honourable Mr. Justice Bird's ruling on the deterioration of property after the evacuation would likely be of no practical value although since the writer was at Vernon in February that conclusion received a severe shaking. We came to the conclusion that court proceedings might be detrimental to the

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*Norris W. MacLennan*

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interest of the claimants on the assumption that the Honourable Mr. Justice Bird intended to make a fair and impartial survey and recommendation. The incident which has somewhat shaken our faith in that estimate of the Commissioner's attitude was an interview at the conclusion of the Vernon hearings with the Commissioner in the presence of the Crown Counsel and the writer. The Commissioner wanted to discuss any possible methods of further streamlining the procedure in order to make sure that the claims would be heard and disposed of with some despatch. We pointed out that the procedure had been greatly simplified already and we could do more than they Counsel for the claimants could. We pointed out that we were doing in that connection. We pointed out that even with two men on the job, it was a twelve or fourteen hour per day proposition and the Commissioner expressed his recognition of that fact. Then to our astonishment he said that he had been through about the first fifty claims and he had come to the conclusion that in about one-half of them at least there was really no claim at all against the Custodian, and that the matter could be further simplified by the Commissioner giving to Crown Counsel a list of the cases in which the Commissioner had come to the conclusion there was no claim and having Crown Counsel argue the question of a non-suit at the present stage. The writer expressed astonishment and further a procedure should even be considered could have at astonishment that the Commissioner, without any this stage come to the conclusion, without any rebuttal evidence by the Crown Counsel, that there was no claim in any case before him. It was our understanding, at all times, the reason for the adoption by Counsel for the claimants of the simplified method of giving evidence by written statement was on the basis that such a statement would constitute a prima facie claim and that it would be up to Crown Counsel then to refute it by proper evidence in rebuttal or on cross-examination. Certainly, as far as we can see there are not many, if any, cases among the first fifty which have been undermined on cross-examination to the extent of no proper claim remaining.

We stated to the Commissioner that we could not agree to any such proposal for disposing of any of the claimants' cases at the present time

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and pointed out that so far he had only heard the claimant's evidence and that we proposed at a later stage to adduce evidence of valuers and other evidence which could be obtained relating to each different claim. Then the Commissioner said that while it was just a thought in his mind to simplify the matter, he would not press for that procedure yet. We think, however, that at some stage it should be placed on the records that these statements which are being prepared and filed are accepted by the Commissioner as prima facie proof, if that has not already been done.

We note your remarks in connection with Mr. Kagetsu's claim and note that you will be crossing to England this summer. We will do all we can to have his case prepared before you leave.

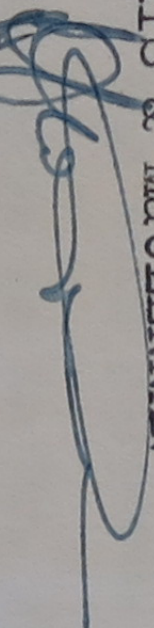
We are sending a copy of this letter to Mr. McMaster for his information.

With best personal regards from the writer,

Yours sincerely,

NORRIS & MACLENNAN

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March 18, 1948.

Messrs. Norris & MacLennan,  
Barristers,  
Bank of Nova Scotia Building,  
602 Hastings Street West,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. J. A. MacLennan.

Re: Japanese Claims

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your letter of March 16th.

I am enclosing for your information, a copy of a memorandum which I prepared, of the discussions which some of us had the other day in Regina.

We feel very definitely that we should leave in your hands and in Mr. McMaster's, the decision as to what evidence is necessary in respect to valuations and as to who should be hired for this purpose.

The information you give as to Mr. Justice Bird's remarks is very disturbing and it seems to indicate a complete lack of judicial approach, as well as a complete lack of the understanding of what is involved in a public inquiry; in which it is the duty of the Commissioner to secure all of the facts. However, I do not think this information should change our view in regard to the question of applying for a mandamus.

It seems to me that if Mr. Justice Bird does not change his view we may have occasion later to apply to the courts. In the meantime, I think we shall have to get him to change his opinion through the evidence as to valuations which we present, and the analysis of individual claims when all the evidence is in.

It is unfortunate that the Commissioner who was appointed should apparently be in such a hurry to get through with the job, and at the same time so ready for that purpose, to jump at conclusions. However, there is nothing we can do but to do the best we can.



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Messrs. Norris & MacLennan

With kindest personal regards.

Yours sincerely,

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cc.- R. J. McMaster.

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Messrs. Ritchie & Huckvale,  
Barristers,  
Acadia Building,  
612 Third Avenue South,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Attention Mr. W. E. Huckvale.

Re: Japanese Claims

Dear Mr. Huckvale: I am enclosing herewith copy of a memorandum I prepared in connection with the conference at Regina.

Yours very truly,

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March 18, 1948.  
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Mr. Roger Ouimet Esq., K.C.,  
152 Notre Dame, East,  
Montreal, P.Q.,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Re: Japanese Claims

Dear Mr. Ouimet:

I am enclosing herewith copy of a  
memorandum which I have prepared in connection with  
the conference which was held at Regina.

Yours very truly,

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31-400 Main Street  
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March 17th, 1948.

Mr. F.A. Brewin,  
c/o Cameron, Weldon & Brewin,  
Mr. R.A. Best,  
Barristers,  
15 Toronto Street,  
Toronto, Ontario.

I enclose Re: Japanese Claims a duplicate showing  
disbursements to date.

Dear Mr. Best:

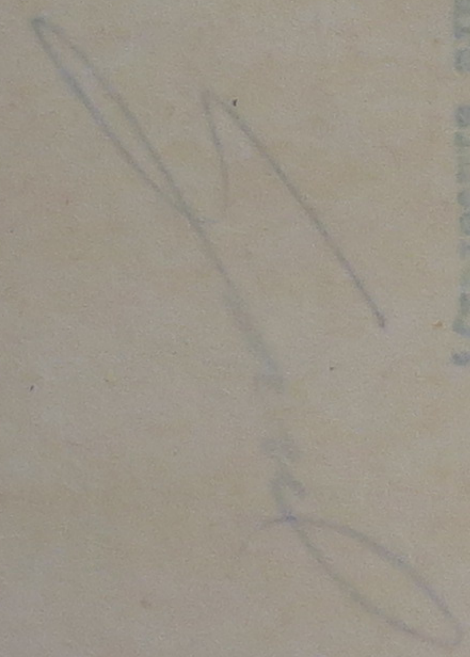
You will note that my disbursements were \$64.92  
and the I am enclosing herewith copy of a J.C.C.A.  
note \$25.92.  
memorandum which I have prepared in connection with  
the conference which was held at Regina. so wish.

I will be forwarding Mr. Kellaster's file to you  
within the next few days.  
Yours sincerely,

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Yours sincerely,

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Sterling Tower,  
Toronto 1, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

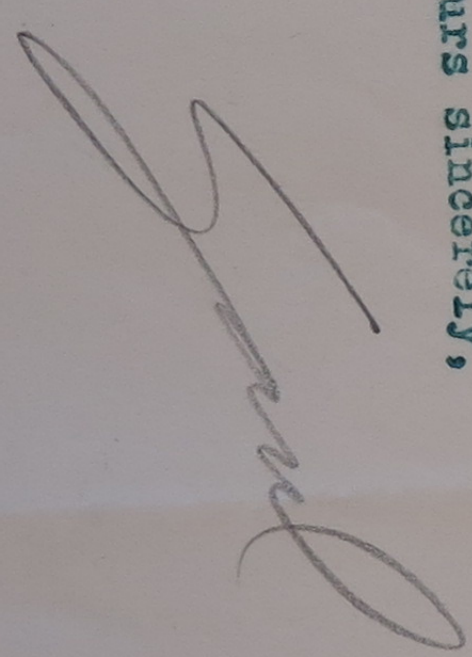
I enclose herewith Statement in duplicate showing  
Winnipeg disbursements to date.

You will note that my disbursements were \$54.92  
and the disbursements of Mr. Harold Hirose of the J.C.C.A.  
were \$85.95.

A cheque could be sent to either of us for the full  
amount or separate cheques may be sent if you so wish.

I will be forwarding Mr. McMaster's file to you  
within the next few days.

Yours sincerely,



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CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE CANADIANS

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March 19, 1948

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1. Report on Hearings - F. A. Brewin
2. Report re Trips - Geo. Tanaka
3. Correspondence
4. Finances
  - Claims Fund Report
  - Advances to Solicitors
  - Honorarium of Secretary
5. Publications



GREAT BRITAIN FUND ACCOUNT

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auditors for the claims fund. Mr. Brewin was asked to come to the Committee suggesting that if he is still uneasy over 8,575.49 on the convenience. That he talk the matter over with Mr. Brewin at their convenience. 2,385.40 + 75,760.86 = 78,146.26

Reference was made in order that all members of the Race Relations Institute, in order to participate as fully as possible in the forthcoming event and participate in this Committee on the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the Institute is being sponsored by the Japanese Canadian Citizen Association and the Joint Labor Committee. Congress, Japanese Racial Intolerance, and will be held in travelling expenses.

\$300.00



JAPANESE CANADIAN CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE  
M I N U T E S

TIME - March 19th, 5:30 - 6:45 P.M.

PLACE - Carlton Church

PRESENT - F. A. Brewin, M.K. Boos, J.M. Finlay, F. Haslam,  
G. Tanaka and G. Tucker.

MINUTES of the previous meeting having been circulated to all members, were taken as read, and adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE - The Chairman read a letter from J.H. Fowler inquiring as to what protection members of this committee had in case of any legal action being taken against them. It was recalled that at the time of setting up the co-operative legal scheme, the question of incorporation for such protection had been quite thoroughly discussed and a decision against such a procedure reached. Mr. Brewin stated that he could not see cause for concern in their share of the retaining fees paid). Rather to solicitors taken by them in agreeing to work on this basis. is the risk being taken that possibly the appointment of

auditors for the Claims Fund should now be made. It was suggested that if he is still uneasy over remaining on the Committee suggesting that he talk the matter over with Mr. Brewin at their convenience.

Reference was made to a letter from the Chairman of the Race Relations Institute, in order that all members would be aware of this forthcoming event and participate as fully as possible in its sessions. The Secretary is representing this Committee on the Institute Committee. The Institute is being sponsored by the Fellowship of Reconciliation, Canadian Jewish Congress, Japanese Canadian Citizen Association and the Joint Labour Committee to Combat Racial Intolerance, and will be held on April 16-18th.

REPORT ON REGINA CONFERENCE - Mr. Brewin reported attendance at a very valuable conference held in Regina on March 13th, and attended also by Mr. R. J. McMaster, Vancouver; Mr. S. N. Cherniack, Winnipeg; of Regina. Dr. N. C. Shumatcher, Mr. George Tamaki and Mr. Tom Shoyama were made

Discussions which took place covered many points. Reference was made to the following: - Means of expediting the presentation of claims as worked out in B.C. in order to avoid any repetition of errors and cut down on the time element in other provinces. Mr. McMaster whose account of proceedings to date was most helpful. (He is satisfied, to the extent that the Commissioner was fair during the hearings and polite to witnesses. More and more he seems to be leaning on the work of our Committee's solicitors.) Prof. Farr will

- Some progress has been made regarding valuations. Five law students who will be employed during the summer months. Mr. Yamaga is to be employed re Fraser Valley farm lands and it is recommended that a Mr. Hewer of Vancouver, who worked with the Government during wartime on expropriation of property, also be employed for a period. Expert evidence on other than real estate will also be necessary.



*Campbell* *Mr. E. J. Campbell* *Mr. E. J. Campbell*

Recommendations made by Mr. E. J. Campbell. The Finance Committee's decision on the disposition of property will not be questioned.

- The Commission's decision on the disposition of property will not be questioned.

- All facts regarding the disposal of property will be included in the report available to Mr. E. J. Campbell, so that it will be possible to request enlargement of the terms of reference to include such claims.

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Andrew Brewin, Esq.,  
Barrister & Solicitor,  
Sterling Tower Building,  
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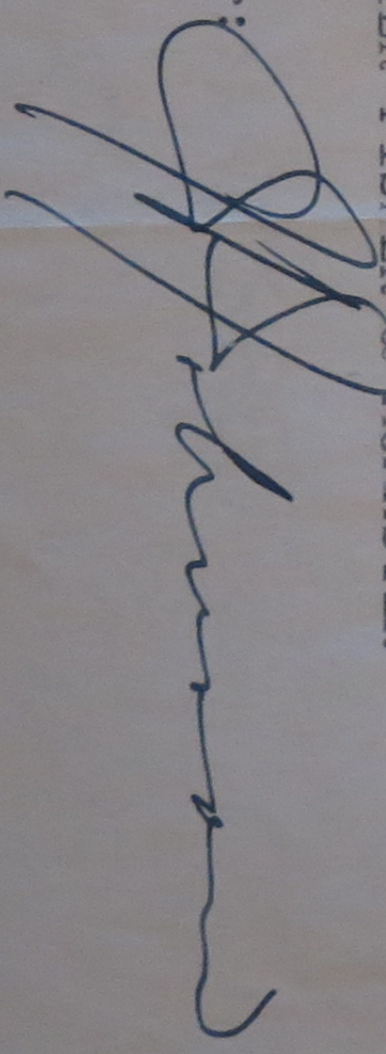
Dear Sir:

Re: Copies of Claims filed by  
Japanese Claimants.

We are sending under separate cover in today's mail copies of claim forms, in duplicate. We are sorry that we have delayed so long in sending you this fourth, and we believe final, set of forms, but a great number of these claims were being heard at the different centres and the files containing the printed forms were therefore not available until now.

Yours very truly,  
CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER & MCMASTER

Per:



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Co-operative Committee on Japanese Canadians  
c/o Miss Margaret Boos, 94 Homewood Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

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CAMERON, WELDON & BREWIN

per:

*W. Brewin*

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March 22, 1948.

Miss Margaret Boos,  
94 Homewood Avenue,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Re: Japanese Canadian Claims

Dear Miss Boos:

I am enclosing herewith the following accounts for disbursements.

Cherniack and Cherniack, \$140.87

Campbell, Brazier, Fisher and McMaster  
showing a balance of \$846.90. This account includes  
\$1000.00 retainer fee and salary payable to Mr. Leckie.

I would be glad if you could let me have  
this account back when it has served your purpose.

I am also enclosing herewith account for  
our disbursements to date.

Yours very truly,

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March 24, 1948.

Mr. A. Watson,  
Secretary, Japanese Property Claims Commission,  
Court House,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Watson:

I thank you for your letter of March 22nd setting out a list of hearings.

We will endeavour to advise you later as to whether all of the claimants will be represented by counsel at the hearing. We will also advise you if there are any other claims which we would particularly wish the Commissioner to hear himself.

I notice that claim No. 8 in the name of Eikichi Kagetsu is listed for May 4th. This is a claim in which Mr. Norris of Norris and McLennan is acting, and these claims of Mr. Kagetsu's are closely related to claims of the Deep Bay Logging Company, which I understand the Commissioner proposes to hear in Vancouver.

I would respectfully suggest if it be possible, that this claim should be heard in Vancouver at the same time as the claim of the Deep Bay Logging Company. They both concern timber limits and other matters in which common considerations will apply.

I further note that you have listed another claim of Mr. Kagetsu as No. 28. I presume this is the same claim, although the amounts appear to be slightly different.

I would be very much obliged if you could take up with the Custodian and Government counsel, the possibility of letting us have the Custodian's documents in respect to these claims as soon as possible.

This would enable us to have the claims prepared well in advance and so might save time to the Commission.

Yours very truly,

FAB:HC



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VANCOUVER, B.C.

Col. J. W. G. Hunter,  
Government Counsel,  
Japanese Claims Commission,  
Court House,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Re: Japanese Claims Commission

Dear John:

We have received from Mr. Watson a prospective list of claims for hearing in Toronto.

I would be glad to know how soon you think you could have the Custodian's productions in these matters made available to us. My point is that I want to arrange to have the claimants come in and complete their written forms and consult with them, but it is very hard to do this without having the productions.

Perhaps you would consult with the Custodian and let me know as soon as possible what the prospects are for having the files in our hands at an early date.

Yours sincerely,

FAB:HC

I had a long talk with him. He has advised me that I am that he is the man we want. He has advised me that he would like to have associated with him a man whom he knows and who formerly was employed in a trust company. This man, according to Hewer, had considerable to do with the appraisal of City property and sale of city property. He and also the management as he has not yet been able did not disclose his name to ascertain whether he is to get in touch with him to know within a week. I also available but he expects to know that he has had experience in ascertained from Hewer that he has acted for Metropolitan and City property, having acted for Metropolitan and City property.



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OUR FILE NO.

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Andrew Brewin, Esq.,  
Barrister & Solicitor,  
Sterling Tower,  
Toronto 1, Ontario.

Dear Andy:

Re: Japanese Claims.

I have for acknowledgment receipt of your letter of the 16th inst., and will take up the matter of your letter addressed to the Custodian at an early date.

I proceeded to Lethbridge from Regina and spent one day with all Counsel and another day with Huckvale and Turcotte. As their cases did not come on until later in the list and the balance of the week, I not be kept very busy for the Committee if I decided that it would be cheaper for a few days and flew back to Lethbridge for the weekend. I therefore expect to go back to Lethbridge on Friday night and spend Saturday, Sunday and Monday there.

I had a long session with Mr. Hewer this morning. The more I talk with him, the more satisfied I am that he is the man we want. He has advised me that he would like to have associated with him a man whom he knows and who formerly was employed in a trust company. This man, according to Hewer, had considerable to do with the appraisal of City property with respect to estates and also the management and sale of city property. He did not disclose his name as he has not yet been able to get in touch with him to know whether he is available but he expects to know within a week. I also ascertained from Hewer that he has had experience in City property, having acted for Metropolitan Stores and



Mr. Brewin:

March 18th, 1948.

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certain other large stores with respect to their city holdings and the acquisition of property. Accordingly, it looks to me as if we may get by without the necessity of obtaining a further appraiser for city property. Hewer estimates that the cost including his own services and his assistant and necessary travelling and living expenses would be about \$35.00 a day, subject to how much travelling was required, this might be a little higher. This sounds reasonable enough to me, particularly if we can avoid the necessity of obtaining a City appraiser whom we would probably have to pay at the rate of \$10.00 an appraisal.

We discussed the problem of making the appraisals at some length and undoubtedly it would be of great assistance to Hewer if we could provide him with copies of all appraisals before he undertakes his duties. In view of the fact, however, that it now looks as if the Sub-Commissions in all Provinces except British Columbia will not start until September, it would mean that we would not have copies of all appraisals in this office until the end of the Sub-Commission hearings which will likely be the end of October. I have asked Mr. Shears to enquire as to what the cost would be to have a further set of photostatic copies of all Soldier Settlement Board appraisals with respect to which we have claims. If the cost is not too exorbitant, my suggestion is that we order these and hand them over to Mr. Hewer. With regard to appraisals other than Soldier Settlement Board appraisals, it would be necessary to ask the solicitors in each center to forward at the earliest possible date copies of the appraisals which they have. In cases where those appraisals have not been sent out from the Custodian's office, it should be possible to arrange to have the Custodian make an extra copy and send it to us. As soon as I know how much it would cost to have the photostatic copies of the Soldier Settlement Board appraisals made I will advise you. In the meantime, you might be good enough to give the matter some thought so that after consultation with the Co-Operative Committee, you might advise me with regard to this expenditure.

We discussed tentatively the proposal that in making his own appraisals, Mr. Hewer would not spend so much time on seeking to find properties of comparable value but that the information resulting from the survey



March 18th, 1948.

Mr. Brewin:

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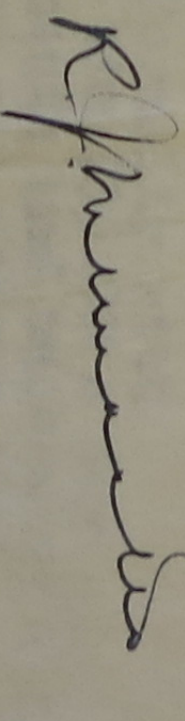
under Professor Farr in this respect would be handed over to him from time to time so that he might revise his own appraisals if such information justified the same. I will discuss this matter with Art MacLennan so that he may be informed.

In the meantime, I propose as a result of our conference in Regina to go ahead and make some arrangement with Hewer. As a result of our discussions this morning I suggest that we advance him \$200.00 on account and that he would submit monthly accounts of fees and disbursements.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER & McMASTER,

Per:



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2939 West 29th Ave.,  
Vancouver, B.C.  
March 25, 1948.

March 25, 1948.

Mr. T.B. Hewer,  
789 West Pender St.,  
Vancouver - B.C.

Dear Sir:

Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher & McMaster, Barristers & Solicitors, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. Company was acquired in 1927 by the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation. I gained experience in accounting, property management, mortgage management, and sales and valuation. At the time I left this Company in 1927 to start a business of my own, I was Assistant to the Inspector.

Dear Mr. McMaster:

Thank you for your letter of March 18th. I am glad to hear that it looks as if Mr. Hewer is going to be useful.

I will have to take up formally with the Committee, the proposal to pay him \$35.00 a day for his services, and that of assistants and necessary travelling expenses, but I think you can assume that the Committee will authorize what I recommend.

I have sent in your account for disbursements and it has been approved by the Committee and you should get a cheque in the fairly near future.

We will send a further \$200.00 to you to advance to Mr. Hewer.

Yours very truly,

FAB:HC

I am disengaged at the present time and have no duties at any time.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) R. M. McMaster



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2929 West 29th Ave.,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
March 23, 1948.

Mr. I.B.Hewer,  
789 West Pender St.,  
VANCOUVER - B.C.

Dear Sir:

Further to our conversation of this morning; the following is a brief outline of my experience in Real Estate and Real Estate valuations:-

1915-1927 - Starting as Office Boy with the B. C. Permanent Loan Co., which company was acquired in 1927 by the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, I gained experience in accounting, property management, mortgages, insurance, real estate, sales and valuations. At the time I left this Company in 1927 to start a business of my own, I held the position of Assistant to the Inspector.

1927-1935 - I conducted my own insurance and real estate business which in 1935 I sold to accept a position as Manager of the Real Estate Rental and Mortgage departments of the B. C. Branch of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation.

1935-1945 - In the above position with the Trust Company, I was responsible for Real Estate Valuations throughout the Province in connection with Estates and Mortgages.

A copy of a letter from the General Manager of The Toronto General Trusts Corp., as well as a copy of a resolution passed by the Vancouver Advisory Board is enclosed.

In 1945 I left the Trust Co. to accept a position as Manager of the Real Estate firm of E.A.Alm, from which position I resigned at the end of February last.

If further information or references are required, kindly let me know.

I am disengaged at the present time and free to take up new duties at anytime.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) N. M. ARMSTRONG.

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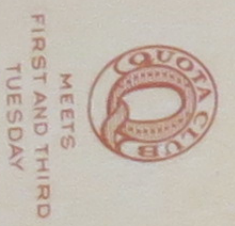
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Saturday 27 Mar 48

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The files for Journals will be forwarded to you by express and will leave Vancouver on the following date:

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We would advise you that you have also written to him, but as his reply is being delayed we would not do so. We would get please tell me who is the counsel representing your committee in Montreal.

Sincerely

John W. G. Hunter

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27th March, 1948

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WILLIAM STAFFORD RUSSELL, B.A., LL.B.

PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO. 3201

R. J. McMASTER, ESQ.,  
c/o Messrs. Campbell, Brazier & Company,  
Barristers and Solicitors,  
675 West Hastings Street,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Mr. McMaster: RE: JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS  
COMMISSION

Naturally the experience of the actual Hearings during the past week when twenty cases were presented, has given us some additional information, and we think we should pass this on to yourself and Mr. Brewin.

1. Photographs: We have urged our clients to produce photographs wherever possible, and we have found these photographs of great assistance and importance.

We understand that during the coming summer your valuers with their student-assistants, are going to visit practically every property. We think that they should take at least three good photographs, namely, one of the dwelling house; at least one of the other buildings; and at least one of the farm land itself showing the crops in growth.

The additional cost of this work will be trifling compared with the advantages to be gained in each case.

We do not think these photographs should be used indiscriminately; simply that we should use photographs where we consider it would advance our cause.

2. Leases: In the T. Moriyama case, and also in one or two other cases the following situation appeared: The claimant had become the lessee of lands sometime prior to the Order for Evacuation, at an annual rental. In many cases he had gone to work and expended considerable time and money in planting

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Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission.

crops, and otherwise improving the premises. When that claimant was evacuated the value of the lease was lost in whole or in part.

Mr. Justice Bird takes the view, very definitely, that such loss is entirely outside the scope of the Commission's powers. We are inclined to think that he is right in this regard.

We believe, therefore, that this is one type of case with respect to which special representation should be made to a committee of the House of Commons in due course.

3. Pacific Co-operative Association, Shimex, Manager; We find that great numbers of our clients living in the Mission District entered into some transaction with this Co-operative Association regarding their motor vehicles.

As far as we can judge the claimants had learned that they were going to be forced to turn in their motor vehicles, and possibly with a view to avoiding this some arrangement was made whereby the Association would take over the vehicles with a view to either holding them or selling them later on.

However, instructions were given that the motor vehicles must be delivered at Hastings Park, and this was done in almost every case.

Then the Association later on received some sort of permission to sell the cars, and in most cases the cars were appraised by a man from the Custodian's Office, and then sold by the Association.

We find that in practically every case the motor vehicle sold for about half its true value at that time.

Now, when the claimants come forward with a claim against the Custodian they are informed that the Custodian is not responsible since the claimants chose their own method of making sale.

If the Custodian succeeds in establishing this position it will mean the loss of \$200.00 or \$300.00 each to some scores of claimants.

We suggest, therefore, that this whole matter should be investigated, and the officers of the Association carefully questioned, and the documents examined. We have a faint suspicion that in some cases the Transfer documents



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Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission.

were not actually signed by the claimants themselves.

If the Association did sell the motor vehicles it may be possible that we should decide to make some sort of claim against the Association for damages in that regard.

We shall be pleased to hear from you after you have looked into this particular matter.

A copy of this letter is going to Mr. Brewin for his information as we presume these situations will be met with practically all across Canada.

Yours truly,

VIRTUE & MISSELL,

Per

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c.c. Mr. Brewin.



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By Cyril D. O'Connor  
Barrister, Solicitor  
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Fort William, Ontario

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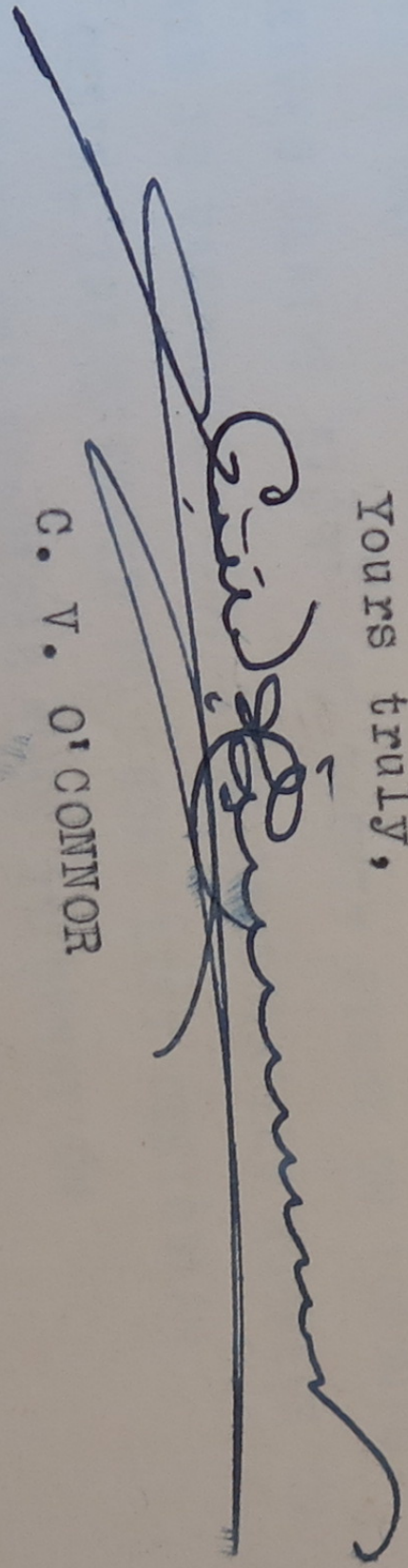
Ontario Japanese Canadian Citizens Association,  
84 Gerrard Street East,  
Toronto 2, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed herewith find copy of the application of Hyakutaro Tanaka for consideration by the Commissioner, together with the form of retainer signed by the applicant, and cheque.

The applicant would like to have his case heard when the Commissioner sits at Fort William; but, if this turns out to be impossible, then he should like to have it heard at the Toronto sittings of the Commission.

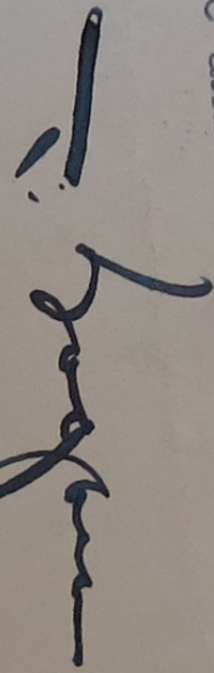
Yours truly,

  
C. V. O'CONNOR

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Mr. Andrew Brewin:

I have forwarded the cheque and the retainer form to Miss M. Boos.

  
George Tanaka



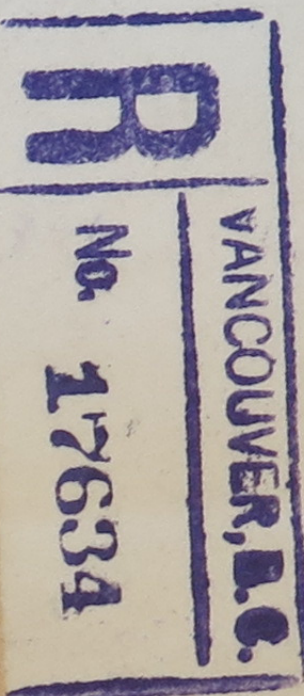


ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE



REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Seitaro SUGAMORI,  
Registration No. 03122,  
8 Larch Street,  
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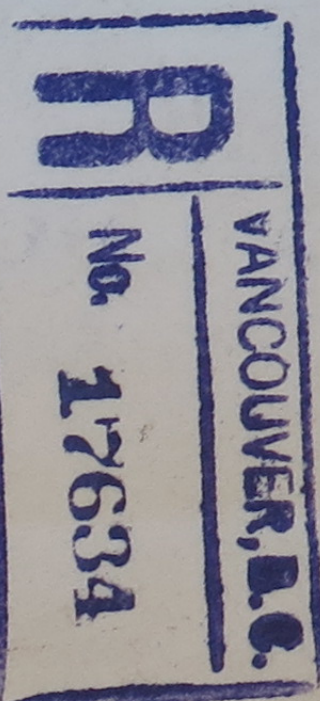


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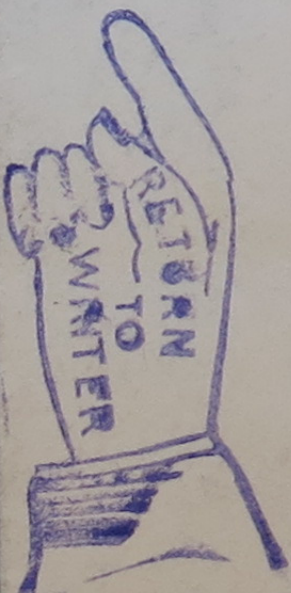


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NOT AT ADDRESS

Dear Sir:

Re: Lot 32, Blk. 78, D.L. 181,  
Gp. 1, N.W.D., Plan 196.  
943 Keefer St., Vancouver, B.C.  
(Catalogue No. 128).

For your information we enclose herewith copy  
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Yours truly,

*J. Spratt*

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March 30/48.

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Dear Sir:

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Lot 32, Block 78, D.L. 181,  
943 Keefer Street.

We have inspected this property and beg to report as follows:-

Location

Poor working class district - East End.  
25' x 122'. Land in this block at low level. No sidewalk.  
Surrounding houses very poor. 20' x 24' with shingle  
(1) Front. Low 1½ storey frame house. 20' x 24' with shingle  
roof. 1st floor 5 rooms plastered except front wall. w.c. off  
kitchen. wood bath tub. No hot water tank. 2nd floor, 1 room  
lined shiplap. Plumbing in poor condition.

Buildings

Condition

Roof poor. Plaster badly broken. 20'6" x 14' plus 20'6" x 22' on  
General condition bad. siding walls, shingle roof. 1st floor,  
(2) Rear 1 and 2 storey house, siding walls, shingle roof. Basement, concrete  
concrete curb foundation, 2nd floor, 2 rooms. Rooms very small.  
4 rooms, pantry and w.c. front part of recent construction (about  
floor, wood bath tub. fairly good. Rooms very small.  
Back part of house old, general condition, fairly good. Rooms very small.  
4 or 5 years) general condition, fairly good. Rooms very small.  
Light construction. Front \$8. Rear \$15.

Condition

Front \$8. Rear \$15.

Rents  
City \$1,550  
Assessment \$48.75  
Taxes We are of the opinion that the market value of this property is  
Appraisal \$1,200.

Yours faithfully,

JOHNSON, REEVE & WATSON

Per "D.W.Reeve"