Name of Claimant SAKURAI, Shoichi Case 219

Custodian File 5125

REAL PROPERTY											Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% there-of	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices		Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices:		
						% of Total	Amount		% of Total	Amount	
					187.00		100.11				100.11

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

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

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS								
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	100.11

CASE NO: 219

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Vernon, B.C.

April 29, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

SHOICHI SAKURAI

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

Original

CASE NO: 219

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT."

PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR, JUDGE M.M. COLQUHOUN, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

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20 APPEARANCES:

D.S. McTAVISH, Esq.,	appearing for the Dominion Government
R.J. McMASTER, Esq.,	appearing for the Claimant.

T.J. MARRION, Esq.,	Secretary to Vernon Sub-Commission.
MRS. I.C. SMITH,	Official Interpreter.
G. HAMBLETON, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

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MR. McMASTER: Soichi Sakurai, No. 240 on the original list.

SHOICHI SAKURAI, the Claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the official interpreter as follows:

MR. McMASTER: In this case, your honour, I would ask leave to amend the claim for the real property to reduce it to $600.00, the Custodian sold
10 it for $187.00, leaving the net claim at $413.00. I draw attention to the fact that the claim with respect to the boat appears on the face of the claim and I would ask to reduce the claim in that respect to $450.00. The boat was sold by the Custodian for $127.00, if I am not mistaken. Is that right?

MR. McTAVISH: The boat was sold by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, your honour.

MR. McMASTER: Well, that remains to be seen, your
20 honour, but the boat was sold, in any event.

MR. McTAVISH: For $125.00, in any event.

MR. McMASTER: $125.00.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q: Witness, did you instruct me to prepare this statement with regard to your real property and is this your signature on it? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I think he can get along in English all right. If we need you, we will call you.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Q: Do you speak English?

A: Oh, a little bit.

MR. McMASTER: If you have any difficulty, ask the interpreter.

Q: Are the statements contained in this form true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

THE WITNESS: A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I ask to file that as Exhibit No. 1.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. McMASTER: I file on behalf of my learned friend the Farm Appraisal Report of the Soldier Settlement Board with respect to the property as the next exhibit.

(APPRAISAL MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

MR. McMASTER: If I might refer to Exhibit No. 1, your honour, the property is 3.2 acres.

Q: This property was on the River Road?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: And about 1.8 acres was cleared and had been planted in black currant plants. Anothe r 1.6 acres had been cleared, but was overgrown. The property was purchased by the claimant as shown in this satement in 1939 for the sum of $397.55. It was in pasture land when purchased and there was an old barn and leanto on it. The claimant explains the rather unusual purchase price of $397.55 on the statement, that a number of fishermen bought a thirty acre tract and split the purchase price by acreage, which accounts for the odd dollars and cents in the purchase price. The claimant cultivated 1.68 acres and planted it

with 600 new black currant plants. The old buildings and barn were still on there when he left and he places no value on them.

In 1940, the claimant says that he paid $150.00 to have ten piles driven in at the northerly boundary of his property to act as a shelter for his boat and net raft. These posts were below high water mark, but above low water mark. The appraisor apparently did not observe these.

10 The claimant states that the appraisor also apparently did not observe his currant plants. This may have been because the claimant was away from the property in April '42 and he did not look at it until June, that is, the appraisor did not look at it until June.

The claimant says that the appraisor said that the soil was good, and the claimant says that this was a good piece of land for a fisherman.

He says he is not an expert on land values,

20 but he believes that the premises were worth $600.00 in January, 1943.

If I might have Exhibit 2 for a moment, the Farm Appraisal Report, referring to the diagram of the property on the last page of that report:

Q: Witness, the main part of your property -- first of all, your property faced on the River Road, facing north, is that right, or the River Road cut your property, rather? A: Yes, this side of river.

30 Q: The Fraser River lay north of your property?

A: Yes, north.

Q: And then the River Road cut your property at the northerly end so that there was a little piece shown on this plan? A: Yes, on this plan.

Q: On the north side of the River Road, but south of the river, itself? A: Yes.

Q: And it was at the northerly end of yourproperty that these piles were driven in as a shelter?

10 A: Yes.

Q: Now, witness, I produce to you a copy of a deed of land with respect to these premises. Is that a copy of the deed that you received when you purchased the property? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: This is a deed, your honour, dated April 11, 1939 from Elizabeth Anne Quaggan to this claim-and with respect to this property. The consideration is expressed to be $397.55. I will produce that to my learned friend, and I don't think it

20 will be necessary to file it.

Q: Now, witness, did you instruct me to prepare this statement with regard to your fishing vessel and is this your signature on the statement? A: Yes.

Q: Are the contents of that statement true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I ask to file that statement as the next exhibit.

30 (STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

MR. McMASTER: Referring to the exhibit just filed with regard to the fishing vessel, the description of the vessel is contained therein, and the claimant states he purchased it in 1932 for $500.00, that in 1937 he put in a new Palmer cylinder head at a cost of $105.00, and in 1940 he put on a new fishing net drum at a cost of $150.00. He scraped and painted the boat each year, and the engine was kept in good working order. He places a value of $450.00 on it. The boat was about 27 feet long, 6½ feet beam and 2½ to 3 feet in depth. It had a 6H.P. Palmer engine in it.

The claimant states that by letter dated August 10, 1942, the Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee advised him that his boat had been sold and tried to persuade him to sign a bill of sale and a release of claim against the Dominion Government. The claimant says he would not sign these documents as the price was ridiculously low, and they sent another letter dated August 18, 1942 trying to persuade him to sign but the claimant says that he never did sign a bill of sale. When, in 1946, the Custodian sent him the proceeds of the sale, he reserved his right to claim for the balance.

Q: Witness, I produce to you a letter dated August 18, 1942. Did you receive that letter from the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: This is a letter, your honour, on the

stationery of the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, Vancouver, dated August 18, 1942 addressed to this claimant: "Dear Sir: Under date of August 10th we advised you of the circumstances relating to the disposal of fishing vessel. . .(and then it gives the description). . . for the sum of $125.00.

"With this letter we enclosed a standard Bill of Sale form and a Claim Assignment form, advising you that on receipt of these documents, properly executed, the Committee would immediately remit the net proceeds of the sale of the vessel, to any address you designated.

"As the principal work of this Committee has been completed, it is intended to transfer all the records and accounts to the Custodian of Enemy Property. Such transfer will include the net proceeds of the sale of your vessel, as above, unless we receive the completed Bill of Sale prior to such transfer, which will probably be made at August 31st, 1942.

"The Committee is of the opinion that if this transaction is not concluded prior to that time, and the money is transferred to the Custodian, there will probably be a long period of delay before you could recover the amount from the Custodian funds; and, therefore, we urge you to execute these documents and forward them by return mail."

Signed by "A.E. McMaster," Executive Assis-

tant.

I file that as the next exhibit.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4)

Q: Now, witness, did you ever sign a Bill of Sale for this boat? A: Pardon?

Q: Did you ever sign a Bill of Sale for this boat? A: No.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask my learned friend to produce the Bill of Sale signed by the Custodian for this boat.

MR. McTAVISH: I haven't got it on my file, your honour; I will have to produce it later.

MR. McMASTER: Well, I understand, your honour, that the Custodian has such a Bill of Sale in his possession and I ask that it be filed before these hearings rise in Vernon.

MR. McTAVISH: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: You will try to do that, Mr. McTavish?

MR. McTAVISH: Yes, your honour.

MR. McMASTER: Your witness.

MR. McTAVISH: It is submitted, your honour, that the real property was sold for its fair market value. It is submitted that the boat claimed for was disposed of by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee and not by the Custodian. It is further submitted that the boat was sold for its fair market value.

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. McTAVISH:

Q: Witness, did you buy a new boat in 1932?

A: Yes.

Q: A new engine in it? A: No, not new engine.

Q: It was not a new boat? A: The boat was new, but the engine was not new.

Q: A second-hand engine? A: Yes.

MR. McTAVISH: That appears to be all, your honour; it is simply a question of value in each case.

THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you, that is all.

10 (Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED UNTIL 2:00 P.M.)

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT)

MR. McTAVISH: Your honour, before we adjourned, my friend wished a certain document put in as an exhibit. I have the document here. It is an Agreement for Sale of the vessel, dated the 2nd day of November, A.D. 1942.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

20 MR. McTAVISH: It is signed by G.W. McPherson, authorized Deputy of the Secretary of State and/or Custodian.

(AGREEMENT FOR SALE MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

Gordon Hambleton
G. Hambleton
Official Reporter.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript purports to be an accurate record of the evidence adduced before me.

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"M.M. Colquhoun"
Sub-Commissioner.

CASE No. 219

NOTIFIED

DEC - 2 1947

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

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

ACKNOWLEDGED

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

(1) NAME Mr. SAKURAI (Print) Surname Shoichi Given Name (RCMP) Reg. No. 05507

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address R. R. #1, New Westminster, B. C.

(3) Present Address R. R. #2, Vernon, B. C.

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) R. R. #1, New Westminster, B. C.
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
Lot Three (3) of part of a Thirty (30) acre portion of Lot. One Hundred and Thirty-one (131) Group Two (2) Map Six Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty/four (6284) in the District of New Westminster.

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

(i) Farm sold to Veterans' Lands.
(ii) ~~Residence~~ Type of business
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) fishing boat.

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

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

(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 800.00

(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 300.00

(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 700.00 (boat)

(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 1100.00

(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ 169.87

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ 930.13

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation
R. R. #1, (Sunbury) New Westminster, B. C.

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

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
Left unpacked

(over)

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

in no one's care

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

1. ~~100 Bean Sticks~~ Estimated Value $ 5.00
2. 1 Cultivator Estimated Value $ 7.00
3. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
4. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
5. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
6. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
7. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
8. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
9. _____ Estimated Value $ _____
10. _____ Estimated Value $ _____

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $ 12.00

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

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - $ 942.13

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

Vernon, B. C.

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

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

DOMINION OF CANADA)
Province of British)
Columbia TO WIT:)

I, Shoichi Sakurai of the R.R.2, Vernon. ~~B.V~~
of in the Province of British Columbia

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

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

DECLARED before me at the City)
of Vernon)
in the Province of British)
this 15th day of Novr Columbia)
A.D. 1947. Sidney Sluger)

Shoichi Sakurai

A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia
A Commissioner &c.

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

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REAL ESTATE
(Farm Land)

SHOICHI SAKURAI
(Claimant's Name)

05507
Reg. No.

LAND	Acres	Date of Purchase	From Whom	Cost Price	Cleared Uncleared or cultivated at date of Purchase	Improvements at date of Purchase	Estimated value at Date of Sale
Uncleared + overgrown	1.6	1939	Elizabeth Ann Guaggan	$397.55 ~~$400.00~~ N.B	Pasture	Old barn & lean to	$600.00
Cultivated not planted							
Cultivated and ~~not~~ in crop	1.68						
List Crops							
Have new black current plants							

N.B. A number of fishermen bought a 30 acre tract and split the purchase price by acreage which accounts for the odd dollars + cents.

Total 3.28

IMPROVEMENTS SINCE PURCHASE OTHER THAN BUILDINGS (e.g. cultivation plants, trees or special equipment)

Description	When Made	Cost
Cultivated 1.68 acres and planted it with 600 new black current plants		

BUILDINGS Type	Size	Finish	Date Built	Cost Material	Paid for Labour	Value of Own Labour	Allowance for Depreciation	Estimated Value
Old buildings (barn + lean to) no value.								

In 1940 I paid $150.00 to have 10 piles driven in at the northerly boundary of my property to act as a shelter for my boat and my net raft. These posts were below high water mark but above low water mark. The appraiser ~~apparently~~ did not observe these.

Comments re Appraiser's report not covered by above information: He also apparently did not observe my current plants. This may have been because I was away from the property in April 42 and he did not look at it until July. As he says the soil was good and this was a good piece of land for a fisherman. I am not an expert on land values but I believe the premises were worth 600.00 in January 1943

S. Sakurai
SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT No. 219-1
DATE 29 April 1948
FILLED BY
Claimant

BC-633-P
BC-1366-B

BC/633-P
BC/1366-B

S.S. Form No. 43
(Sheet 1)

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-632

Land Description Lot 3 of a 300 acre ptn. of D.L.131,Gp.2,N.W.D., Map 6284.

Containing 3.28 Acres

Owner's Name SAKURAI, Shoichi Post Office Address R.R.1, New Westminster.

Nearest Rail Point Kennedy Distance 4½ miles

Market Town New Westminster Distance 9 "

Church (give denomination) Lutheran Distance 2 "

Nearest School Sunbury Distance ½ "

State how property was identified: Map, roads, neighbour.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.

On good main gravelled road, also river front.

Is this district a good one? Is a fishing settlement but land is good.

Employment opportunity Good. Peat industry nearby, fishing. Industry-New Westminster.

Predominating Nationality and religion: Settlement of Japs and Scandinavians just here; white farmers just West.

Describe Fencing and its condition: 2 fair cross fences. None other. Value $

Water supply: Delta Mun. supply $2.72 per year. Value $

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT Eave.	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE None.	x							
Barn	28x46x23	Frame	19'	Shke.	Old	Wood	Bad	nil
Leanto	28x16x10	"	7'	"	"	"	"	"
BARN	x	(This barn would shelter cows from sun,						
	x	but might fall on them. It is a real						
BARN	x	old timber).						
	x							
GRANARY	x							
	x							
	x							
	x							
	x							

Lights available at front.

Total present day value $ nil

Total Value Buildings add to farm $ nil

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? No house. If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable? Barn is only building on either side of dyke, ashore or afloat.

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Describe the basement and chimneys:

No. rooms downstairs? Upstairs? How finished

Are buildings painted? Condition of paint

Distance from nearest bush

219-2
29 April 1948
Claimant on behalf of Crown.

Note: Particular care must be taken when examining and reporting on foundations, sills and roofs.

Cultivated Land

ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
1.66	Level 1.66 ac.	14" silty clay	Clay	Hay, but needs re-seeding.	80.00	132.80

Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.

LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE

Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.

	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
1.64	Level, 6" silty clay to peaty clay. 1.64 ac.			Hardhack 6' high.	25.00	35.00	57.40

Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.

CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.	NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE	VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE

Total value of Land $ 190.20

Total added by buildings to value of farm $ nil

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) $ nil

Total value of farm $ 190.20

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:

Cultivated land in hay.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.

Too small and narrow for anything but a fisherman's subsistence home. This knocks value as a farm.

Noxious weeds:

Canadian thistles.

Give approximate detail and amount of all annual taxes and names of Taxing Authorities:

Delta - General - $6.55
Water - $2.72
Dyke - $ .50
River A - $2.19 - 10 years.
" - $ .33 - 1 "

Date: July 24, 1942.
Place: Chilliwack, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination of the whole farm made on the 23 day of July 1942.

Inspector's Signature "R.L. RAMSAY"

Note: (Use Form 43 (Sheet 2) in connection with this form.)

JL-632 - S. SAKURAI

Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks: Place is situated with Fraser River frontage. As a farm it is small and narrow, making it very awkward to work. It would make a subsistence home for a fisherman with some leanings toward the land, or even an industrial worker, as there is much of this type of work within reach. The soil generally is excellent. Uncleared portion could be quite easily cleared up though at least the back would be acid for a time. The peaty portion is quite arable and would produce most farm crops well when suitably neutralized.

The only building is a very old dilapidated barn of no value, even for salvage.

There is no small fruit.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation.

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC. (Give number, age, variety and condition of all tree fruits, condition and area of each kind of small fruits.)

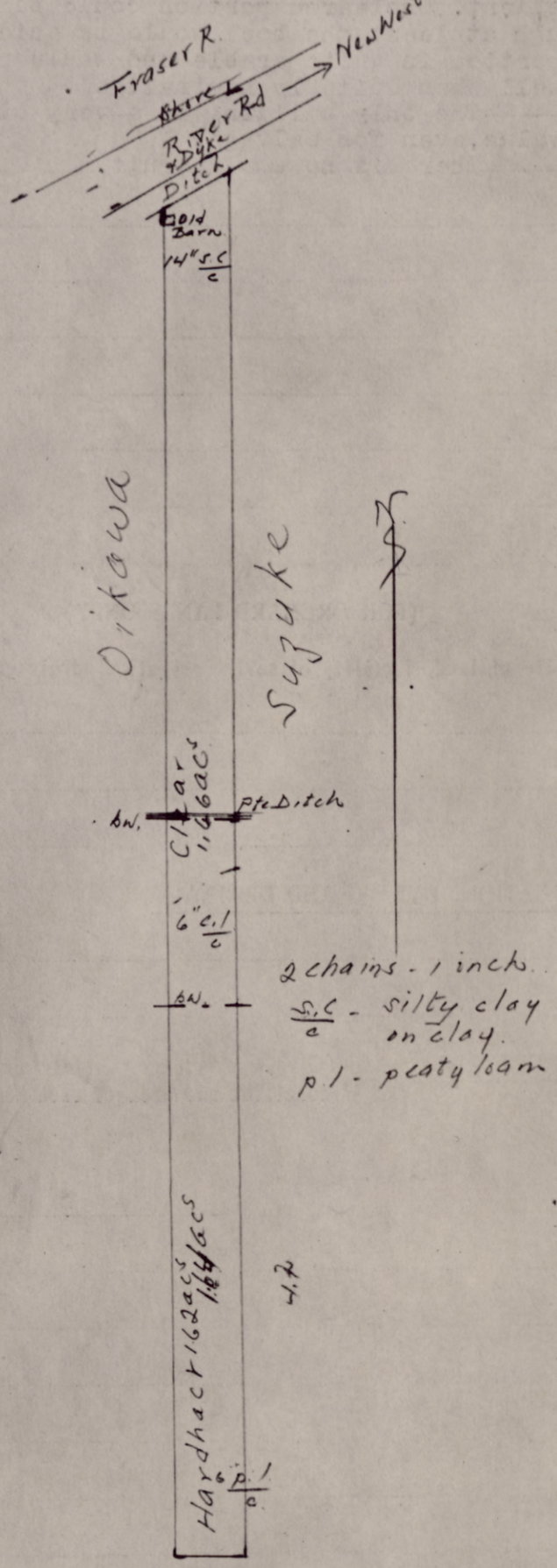
	Present Value
Nil.	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
Total	$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm $

Diagram of Property

#42
S. Sakurai

Lot 3 of a 300 acre ptn. of D.L. 131 Gp. 2, N.W.D. Map 6284.



Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present value is $ 300

Date 28th July 1942

District Superintendent.

(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

Reg. No.

Fishing Vessel

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
Name: "S.S."	License No: n W 1073	098F	Type: Fishing Vessel	Date Purchase: 1932	Price Paid: $500.00
Length approx 29' Beam 6'6" Depth 2½'				Maintenance work: Scraped + painted each year Engine kept in Good working order	Condition when left: Good
With whom Left: The navy					Estimated Value: $450.00

Improvements to Vessel since date of Purchase

1937 Put in new Palmer cylinder head cost $105.00

1940 Put on new fishing net drum cost $150.00

(6 horsepower Palmer engine)

Description of Storage of Goods:

By letter dated August 10, 1942 the J. F. V. D. Committee advised me that my boat had been sold and tried to persuade me to sign a bill of sale and a release of claim against the Dominion Government. I would not sign it as the price was ridiculously low. They sent another letter dated Aug 18, 1942 trying to persuade me to sign but I never did sign a bill of sale.

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

Additional Comments, if any: when in 1946 the Custodian sent me the proceeds of sale I reserved my right to claim for the balance.

S. Sakurai

SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT No. 219-3
DATE 29 April 1948
FILLED BY
Claimant

TELEPHONE PACIFIC 9331

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Committee:
THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE SIDNEY SMITH
CHAIRMAN
COMMANDER B. L. JOHNSON, D.S.O., R.C.N.R.
KISHIZO KIMURA

A. E. McMASTER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

1528 MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B.C.

August 18,1942.

Mr. Shoichi Sakurai,
KASLO,B.C.

Dear Sir:

Under date of August 10thwe advised you of the circumstances relating to the disposal of fishing vessel "S.S."
Licence No. NW 1073 098F
for the sum of $125.00.

With this letter we enclosed a standard Bill of Sale form and a Claim Assignment form, advising you that on receipt of these documents, properly executed, the Committee would immediately remit the net proceeds of the sale of the vessel, to any address you designated.

As the principal work of this Committee has been completed, it is intended to transfer all the records and accounts to the Custodian of Enemy Property. Such transfer will include the net proceeds of the sale of your vessel, as above, unless we receive the completed Bill of Sale prior to such transfer, which will probably be made at August 31st,1942.

The Committee is of the opinion that if this transaction is not concluded prior to that time, and the money is transferred to the Custodian, there will probably be a long period of delay before you could recover the amount from the Custodian funds; and, therefore, we urge you to execute these documents and forward them by return mail.

Yours very truly,

A. E. McMaster,
Executive Assistant.

EXHIBIT No. 219-4
DATE 29 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMMITTEE

EXHIBIT 219 - 5
DATE 29 Apl 1948
FILED BY Crown

AGREEMENT FOR SALE OF VESSEL

BETWEEN

THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA ACTING IN HIS CAPACITY AS CUSTODIAN AS VESTED OWNER OF THE INTEREST OF

Shoichi SAKURAI
(hereinafter called the "Vendor")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND

FRASER RIVER FISH COMPANY LIMITED
(hereinafter called the "Purchaser")
OF THE SECOND PART

In consideration of the sum of $1.00, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we agree to the sale and purchase of the vessel hereunder described:

Name of Vessel: "S.S."
Port of Registry: New Westminster Official Number 1073 NW 098F
Length: 27' Breadth: 6'6" Depth 2' 6"

Propelling power: Palmer 6 H.P.

For the price or sum of $125.00 (One hundred and Twenty Five Dollars)
Payable as follows: Cash Fish
FURTHER the Vendor dovenants with the said Fraser River/Company Limited and its assigns, that he has power to transfer, in the manner aforesaid, the premises hereinbefore expressed to be transferred, and that he has no knowledge of any encumbrances and accepts no responsibility for same other than to the amount of the purchase price referred to above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the 2nd day of November A.D. 1942.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE)
presence of:-)
"Cleo Michaily")
1138 Nelson St,)
Vancouver, B.C.)
Stenographer)

"G.W. McPherson"
Authorized Deputy of the
Secretary of State and/or Custodian.

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

Date: May 26th 1948

C. M. M. Scoby