Name of Claimant HIROTA, Nijiro Case 665

Custodian File 4250

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	

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	
			333.50 360.00	625.45	178.50	446.95

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	
			46%	191.50	88.09			88.09

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	535.04

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

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B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.M. EDMANSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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20 APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C.,	appearing for the Dominion Government.
A.G. VIRTUE, Esq., K.C.,	appearing for the Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,	Secretary.
MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD,	Official Interpreter.
S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

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THE SECRETARY: Case No. 665, Nijiro Hirota.

NIJIRO HIROTA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. VIRTUE:

Q I show you a form of summary of evidence in support of claim containing a statement of your nets, the value, and of your household goods?

A Yes.

10 Q And is that your signature (indicating)?

A Yes.

Q Was that form prepared by you with the help of an Interpreter in my office?

A Yes.

Q Are the statements in this form about your nets and your personal property the truth?

A Yes.

Q Are the values you have placed on your property fair and reasonable values?

20 A Yes.

MR. VIRTUE: I will put that in as an exhibit.

(SUMMARY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. VIRTUE: Q: Now it has been suggested by the Custodian that some of these nets were shipped to you. What have you to say about that?

A No, I didn't receive any of them. I only received the nets worth $180.00.

Q Some nets? A: Yes.

Q Well have you claimed in your claim here for

30 those nets that were shipped to you?

A Yes, I am.

Q Well, let us make this clear.

MR. RICE: You had better.

MR. VIRTUE: Q: In your claim that you filed here, in part you claim for one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten nets?

A Yes.

Q Did you get any of those from the Custodian, any of those ten? A: I am not claiming for the one I just mentioned.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Pardon?

A For the one that has been returned.

MR. VIRTUE: That is the nets that you got from the Custodian are not included in this list that you are claiming. I would ask the Interpreter, in order to save confusion, to read over to the witness the list of nets contained in his present claim and then ask him if any of those were shipped to him.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Received by him.

MR. VIRTUE: Q: Or received by him. Pardon me, Miss Interpreter, I think the confusion arises from this. The Custodian paid him for a couple of these nets and that is what he is getting at. I think there is a simple explanation of this.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: What does he say now?

THE INTERPRETER: These are the two nets that he is talking about (indicating), $250.00 and $242.00, including the cork and line, and the money that he received from the Custodian is far less than

his estimate.

MR. VIRTUE: Q: In other words, what he is talking about is that the Custodian sent the money for net No. 1 and net No. 4? A: Yes.

Q But not the true value?

A Yes, they were notsold at what he thinks is a true value.

Q That is what he is getting at?

A Yes.

10 Q All right, we have got that clear now.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is that all, Mr. Virtue?

MR. VIRTUE: Just a second, sir, I have one other question. I will ask my learned friend, now, if he will, in the interval, dig up a letter of July 15th, 1944, and April 27th, 1944.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I think we had better adjourn now.

MR. VIRTUE: And if my learned friend will produce those documents after the adjournment I will ask the claimant a question or two on them.

20 MR. RICE: Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well, we will adjourn now until after the Chambers are finished.

(A SHORT ADJOURNMENT WAS TAKEN AT THIS JUNCTURE)

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AFTER ADJOURNMENT).

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER:. There were two letters that you asked for, Mr. Virtue, letters of July 15th, 1944, and April 27th, 1944.

MR. VIRTUE: Yes. I have them, sir.

1Q Now, will you look at that letter of April 27th,

30 1944 (indicating)? A: Yes.

Q Is that your signature? A: Yes.

MR. VIRTUE: This is a letter from the claimant to the Custodian dated April 27th, 1944:

"I will acknowledge a letter to your office to ask my nets which I had leaved coast when evacuate from there to here. This days, I have very hard time in beet field in Alberta. Because we cannot work very hard like the young people.

10 "Therefore, will you please forward my account value that you had sold my nets and etc.

"And then I am very glad if you can kindly send the statement of those nets.

Yours truly,

N. Hirota."

I will offer that as the next exhibit.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. VIRTUE: Q: Now there is another letter of July

20 15th, 1944 (indicating). Did you sign that?

A Yes.

MR. VIRTUE: "Office of the Custodian, Vancouver, B.C." This is a letter from the claimant to the Custodian.

"Dear Sirs:

"I acknowledged your letter of July 12th. The chattels you wrote of belong to Mr. Hayao Hirota. Hayao is no relation to me.

"In one of your previous letters, you charged me with a bill of $10.00 for goods

30 bought at the Komura store in Vancouver. I

"have no such debt and will not be responsible for it.

"I would like you to send me a cheque for the full sum of my account. Will you please oblige me at your earliest convenience?

Yours truly,

N. Hirota."

The reason I am putting those in now, sir, is that apparently the Custodian's office got confused with another man named Hayao Hirota and I am just clearing that up.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. VIRTUE: Q: Do you know Hayao Hirota?

A Yes, I know him.

Q He is not related to you? A: No.

Q You have nothing to do with him?

A No.

Q You didn't get any goods from the Custodian?

A No.

Q All right, thank you.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the chattels were sold at their fair value. The other chattels declared and not found, the Custodian is not responsible for and there are other chattels that there is no record of at any time which I claim the Custodian is not responsible for, but should it be held that the Custodian is responsible in any way I contend that his claim as filed is for an excessive amount for the chattels that were left.

I wish to submit as an exhibit, your Honour,

an analysis of personal property claim.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q I show you a J.P. form dated April 16th, 1942, (indicating). Is that your signature on that form? A: Yes.

MR. RICE: I wish to submit that form, your Honour, as an exhibit.

10 (J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

MR. RICE: Q: Do you recall the Custodian writing you under date of May 13th, 1943, as per copy of the letter produced? Just read that to him.

A Y es.

Q The Custodian wrote you under date of May 13th, 1943, as per copy of this letter that I produce?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: I would like to submit that as an exhibit, your Honour.

20 (LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. RICE: Q: Did you ever answer that letter?

A No.

Q Why not? A: I received a copy and I thought that was sufficient.

Q You received a copy of what, a copy of the net statement; is that what you mean?

A Yes, a copy of the net statement.

Q Is that the net statement that you received (indicating), or a copy of it?

30 A No, this is not the paper I received.

Q I know it is not the paper that you received, but is it a copy of the paper that you received?

A I just received a statement showing I had ten nets. There was no detailed statement at all.

Q No detailed statement?

A No, just a statement showing I had ten nets.

MR. RICE: I would like to mark that for identification, your Honour.

(NET STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT "A" FOR IDENTIFICATION).

10 MR. RICE: Let me see Exhibit 3, please.

(Exhibit 3 to Mr. Rice).

Q Do you recall writing this letter, Exhibit 3, dated July 15th, 1944, to the Custodian?

A Yes, I had it written for me.

Q You had it written for you?

A Yes.

Q And it says, "I acknowledge your letter of July 12th." Is that a copy of the letter (indicating) that you received when you wrote Exhibit 3? Just interpret

20 the copy to him.

A I received a letter from the Custodian but this is not a copy because all it said was, "Could you let us know what relation Mr. Hayao Hirota is to me". There is no mention of any of my belongings that is in there.

Q You received a letter, you say, from the Custodian in which the Custodian asked you what relation you were to Mr. Hayao Hirota?

A I received a letter asking me what relations

30 we were.

Q But you say you did not receive the original of that letter that I produce to you now dated July 12th, 1944, purporting to be written by the Custodian's office to you?

A No, I didn't.

Q You didn't? A: No.

Q Have you got the letter that you received from the Custodian in your possession?

MR. VIRTUE: No, we haven't got that, Mr. Rice.

10 A No, I haven't got that just now.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Would he have it at home?

A I may be able to find it if I look for it.

MR. RICE: I wish that letter marked, your Honour, for identification.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: For identification?

MR. RICE: Yes, the letter of July 12th, 1944.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT "B" FOR IDENTIFICATION).

MR. RICE: Q: Do you get all of your mail?

A Yes.

20 Q And your statement is that you received a letter from the Custodian written on July 12th, 1944, but Exhibit "B" produced herewith is not a copy of the letter that you received?

A I am quite sure it is not.

Q And you are quite sure that you never received the original of Exhibit "B", the original letter?

A I am quite sure.

Q All right.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Exhibit "B" refers to the

30 question of his relationship with this other man.

I am just wondering if there was another one.

MR. VIRTUE: I think it is quite obvious, sir, that in all probability he received that letter but has forgotten the contents of it.

MR. RICE: He remembers that last paragraph, so he says.

MR. VIRTUE: The letter of July 12th. He wrote a letter on July 15th.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I don't think there is any question about it.

MR. VIRTUE: That is an obvious deduction of what
10 happened; he just doesn't remember.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. RICE: Q: On your original claim which you filed, you value your nets at $800.00 and the claim you are filing today, you are valuing them at $845.00; how is it they have gone up in price?

A The amount of $845.00 is the price the cannery manager put on the nets.

Q How old were the nets?

20 A Oh, they were of various ages. Some were about a month; others were much older.

Q What do you mean by much older?

A Four or five months. Some were aboutfour or five months.

Q What do you mean, that they had been used four or five months or that they were four or five months old?

A Yes, that is the time that they were in use.

Q That is the time that they were in use?

30 A Yes.

Q How long have you been a fisherman?

A I began working as a fisherman in 1917 and then stopped for a period but started again in '36, 1936.

Q And I suppose some of these nets you have had since 1936, have you?

A Yes.

Q You have a claim for a carpet which you valued at $12.50. Do you mean congoleum or linoleum?

10 A Yes, that was linoleum.

Q Linoleum? A: Yes.

Q What size was it; do you know?

A About 10 x 12.

Q All right.

MR. VIRTUE: That is all, thanks.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Anything else you want to ask him?

MR. VIRTUE: No, sir.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I was wondering about the

20 third net. He has got labour here, $17.00, on the new price. What does the labour represent? What is that for?

MR. VIRTUE: Is this on the list of personal property, sir?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, nets, cork lines and lead lines. As a matter of fact, it comes to $99.50.

MR. VIRTUE: You mean on the lead lines?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, on the nets, cork lines

30 and lead lines.

MR. VIRTUE: On the net list?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: On the price new.

MR. RICE: The third net from the top, is it?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: The third net, new twine $82.50, and labour $17.00.

MR. VIRTUE: Q: Is that a net that you made yourself, the third one on the list?

A I included that as labour on my part.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q: Well, did you buy the twine to make the net?

A Yes, I bought the twine myself.

Q I see. That explains it them. The amount of the claim is $845.00 and as it was originally filed it was $805.00. I think it comes to $853.50 as it is filed.

MR. RICE: He has already told me that these were values put on the nets by the cannery; they were not his values at all. The $845.00 he is claiming was put on by the cannery manager.

MR. VIRTUE: Well, he has already sworn that they were fair values. That is all, thanks, Mr. Hirota.

I just want to make one comment for the record, sir. In the analysis, Exhibit 4, there is a statement on the margin, "See Custodian's letter of July 12th, 1944, to Hirota, stating we believe he received his goods". That is an incorrect inference in that letter. "July 15th, 1944, Hirota replied and did not dispute our statement of July 12th but

"further substantiated by saying chattels we had identified as his belonged to Hayao Hirota."

The inference was entirely unsound and incorrect. There is no such inference to be drawn from that correspondence; in fact, the reverse is the case. He said he did not receive any goods and intimated that they must be referring to a man named Hayao Hirota for which he had no responsibility. I am clearing that up as we go along.

MR. RICE: He denied receiving the letter, and he didn't deny receiving the goods.

MR. VIRTUE: That is a most far-fetched interpretation to put on it.

MR. RICE: No, not at all. It would be the most natural thing in the world for him to say even if he received the goods to stand up and say he didn't receive them. It would be the most natural thing in the world for him to say that.

MR. VIRTUE: Oh no, I don't think it would be.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Of course, the unfortunate part is that he was asked to reply to the letter and he did not reply, and he left the Custodian to make whatever inference he wished.

MR. VIRTUE: But for the Custodian to put that interpretation on it is utterly ridiculous.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

Certified a true and accurate transcript.
"S.R. HOWARD: Official Reporter"

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

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

ACKNOWLEDGED

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Proof of Claim

IN THE MATTER OF Order-in-Council P.C. 1810, as amended by Order-in-Council P.C. 3737; and

IN THE MATTER OF "THE INQUIRIES ACT" being Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, and

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of persons of the Japanese Race under said Orders-in-Council.

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1. Name of Claimant in full:

   HIROTA, nijiro

   Registration No. 03390

2. Claimant's address at the time of his evacuation from the protected area:

   Great West Canning Company, Steveston B.C.

3. Claimant's present address:

   P.O.Box 25, Turin Alberta.

4. Claim relating to real property:

   (a) Street address of real property:

   (b) Legal description of property:

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

(c) Type of real property, i.e., farm, residence, commercial, etc., and short description of it:

(d) Title or interest held by Claimant in the real property:

(e) Fair market value of real property at date of sale:

(I) Land— $

(II) Buildings— $

(f) Amount of loss alleged to have been sustained by the Claimant under the terms of reference:

$

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

(a) Location at which property was left by Claimant at date of evacuation:

Fishing Gear- Great West Canning Co.
Household - G.W.C.Co., Steveston B.C.

(b) Type of premises in which property was left by Claimant and manner in which that property was stored or packed at time of evacuation:

Fishing Gear- Net House of Great West Canning co.

Household goods- Cannery House.

(c) In whose care was property left by the Claimant at date of evacuation?

Fishing Gear and Household Goods-

Manager of Great West Canning Co.
Steveston B.C.

(d) Itemized and detailed description of the property which is the subject of the claim, and itemized value thereof at the time of sale, loss or destruction:

Nets List of nets left in care of Manager of Great West Canning Company, Steveston B.C.

Value
$800.00

Household goods-

Kitchen ware	$75.00	
Kitchen chairs-10	10.00	
Table	5.00	
Heater	10.00	
Kitchen stove	25.00	
Electric Stove (new)	4.50	
Gas Stove	5.00	
Electric clock	4.50	
Carpet	12.50	
Bed	15.00	Total Value $991.50
Dresser	5.00	
100 ft. hose	5.00	
Trunk	15.00	
	$991.50	

(e) Amount of loss alleged to have been sustained by Claimant under the terms of reference:

Total personal property $991.50
Amount received from Custodian $186.50
Claim- $805.00

6. I desire that my claim be heard at the City of Lethbridge in the Province of Alberta.

7. An Interpreter will ..... be required.

DATED this 20th day of ~~October,~~ November. A.D. 1947.

S. Aoki
Witness to Signature of Claimant.

N. Hirata
Signature of Claimant.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Nijiro HIROTA
(Full Name of Claimant)

of P.O. Box 25 Turin, Alta. Farm Laborer.
(Present Address) *(Occupation)*

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.

2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.

3. The above Claim is true and correct.

4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:

Received from the Custodian the sum of $186.50

And I make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED at Iron Springs
in the Province of Alberta,
this 20 day of Nov.
A.D. 1947.

N. Hirota

N. M. Phillips
A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

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JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Claim No. 29

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM

The Following are Particulars of the Claim:

1. Claimant's Name In Full: Nijiro HIROTA

EXHIBIT No. 665-1.
DATE Sept 14/48
FILLED BY A.G. Vutue

2. Registration Number: 03390

3. Present Address: P.O. Box 25, Turin, Alberta.

4. Address Prior To Evacuation: Great West Cannery Company, Steveston B. C.

NETS, CORK LINES & LEAD LINES

TYPE	PLY	SIZE	MESH	FATHOMS	SEASONS USED	PRICE NEW	ESTIMATED VALUE	REMARKS
Nets								
Barbour	6/60	6	55	400	1 mo.	$250.00	$ 150.00	
"	10/40	8 7/8	40	300	3 mo.	200.00	135.00	
"	10/40	9½	9½	320	New Twin Labor	82.50 17.00 100.00	70.00	
"	6/50	7	45	150 Cork & Lead line	3 mo.	192.00 50.00 242.00	150.00	
"	5/40	6¾	45	75 Cork & Lead line	2 mo.	90.00 25.00 115.00	75.00	
"	5/60	6½	45	150 Cork & Lead	3 mo.	140.00 50.00 190.00	125.00	
"	4/40	5 1/8	55	400	1 mo.	180.00	100.00	
"	5/50	5 5/8	55	300	1½ mo.	135.00	30.00	
"	5/50	6	50	300	1½ mo.	135.00	30.00	
"	9/40	8 7/8	40	100	3 mo.	65.00	25.00	
Cork Lines				150	2 mo.	30.00	15.00	
Lead Lines				300	2 mo.	45.00	30.00	

Total Value	$ 845.00
Sold by Custodian for	183.00
Claim	662.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

ITEM	YEAR PURCHASED	PRICE PAID	VALUE	REMARKS
Kitchenware	1936 1941	$ 175.00	$ 75.00	
Kitchen chair	1940	15.00	10.00	
Table	1936	20.00	5.00	
Heater	1936	15.00	10.00	
Kitchen stove	1936	50.00	25.00	
Gas stove	1941	8.00	5.00	
Electric stove New	1941	4.50	4.50	
Electric clock New	1941	4.50	4.50	
Carpet	1940	25.00	12.50	
Bed	1938	30.00	15.00	
Dresser	1936	20.00	5.00	
100 ft. hose	1941	8.00	5.00	
Trunk with cloth			15.00	
			$ 191.50	

(ADD ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY)

(IF CLAIM FOR VESSEL DESCRIBE ON SEPARATE SHEET NUMBERED 6 A)

PAYMENTS RECEIVED FROM CUSTODIAN ON PERSONAL PROPERTY

Item:	Year:	Month:	Amount.

Total: $ NIL

Total Claim for Personal Property ..... $ 191.50

Deduct Payments from Custodian ..... $ NIL

Net Loss on Personal Property ..... $ 191.50

I Certify the above to be True and Correct.

Chas. H. Veit
Witness

N. Hirata
Signature of Claimant.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd MAY 3 1944
File No. #250
Ans. 815
Referred M. Seaton

c/o V. R. Rowley,
Turin, Alberta

April 27, 1944

Office of the Custodian
Vancouver, B.C.

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Yours truly,

EXHIBIT No. 665-2
DATE Sept. 14/48
FILLED BY A. G. Virtue

N. Hirota, 03390

Claim from Gonura Bros 10.85
Send $100.00

N. Hirata 03390

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd JUL 20 1944
File No. H250
Ans. Noted 31-7-44 RBM
Referred McKelvie

c/o V. R. Rowley,
Turin, Alta.

July 15, 1944.

EXHIBIT No. 665-3
DATE Sept 14/48
FILLED BY E. G. Virtue

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Yours truly,
N. Hirota
Niziro Hirota,
Reg. No. 03390.

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 4250 EXHIBIT No.

NAME HIROTA, Nijiro

REG. No. 03390

DATE	INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL NOT FOUN
DECLARATION April 16/42	TAKEN BY			AUCTION	TENDER &c		
EVACUATION April 22/42	DATE						
1 fishing boat ($1200.00)		1. Fishing gear - nets	800.00		183.50		
Chrysler engine, 52 H.P.		2. Kitchenware	75.00				75
L-30', W-7'3", D-3' in		3. Kitchen chairs - 10	10.00				
custody at New West-		4. Table	5.00				
minster, B.C.		5. Heater	10.00				
10 Fishing Nets-Cannery		6. Kitchen stove	25.00				25
Net House, Steveston.		7. Electric Stove (new)	4.50				4
Kitchen utensils & wares		8. Gas stove	5.00				5
3 stoves		9. Electric clock	4.50				
1 bed		10. Carpet	12.50				12
1 mirror		11. Bed	15.00				15
1 Parlor suite		12. Dresser	5.00				
Linoleum-House #12,		13. 100 ft. hose	5.00				
Great West Cannery.		14. Trunk	15.00				
			991.50		183.50		137

SUMMARY OF CLAIM

Goods for which J
" " "
" " "

4250

03390

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CASE No. _____

VENUE _____

ALES TENDER &c	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANY TIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT &C	UNSOLD	REMARKS
183.50							#1. No details of gear supplied by claimant at any time. See ltr.May 13/43. See net statement of March 13/44 for gears sold for $183.50.
		75.00					
			10.00				
			5.00				
			10.00				
		25.00					
		4.50					
		5.00					
			4.50				
		12.50					
		15.00					
			5.00				
			5.00				
			15.00				
183.50		137.00	54.50				

See Custodian's letter of July 12/44 to HIROTA stating we believe he rec'd. his goods. July 15/44 HIROTA replied and did not dispute our statement of July 12 but further substantiated it by saying chattels we had identified as his belonged to Hayao Hirota.

SUMMARY OF CLAIM

Goods for which Japanese claims	$800.00	sold by tender for $183.50
" " " " "	$137.00	declared but not found.
" " " " "	$ 54.50	no record at any time.
	$991.50	

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June 11/48

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DATE Sept. 14/48
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G. S. A. Rice

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DATE Sept 14/48

FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

STEVESTON, B. C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: HIROTA, Niziro c/o T. RODOWITZ N.W. 13-10-22 Monarch alla

HOME ADDRESS: Box 232, House #12, Great West Cannery, Steveston, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 03390 SEX: Male AGE: 47

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

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

EMPLOYER: Great West Packing Co., Steveston, B. C.

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Tsuru

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Box 232, House #12, Great West Cannery Steveston, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None

AGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: None

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Box 232, House #12, Steveston, B. C.
Great West Cannery, Steveston, B. C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Great West Packing Co., Steveston, B. C.

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
By arrangement with the cannery.

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)
None

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

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

1-fishing boat; ($1200.00), Chrysler engine, 52 H.P., L-30', W-7'3", D-3',
- in custody at New Westminster, B. C.
10 Fishing Nets - Cannery Net House, Steveston, B. C.
Kitchen utensils & wares; 3-stoves; 1-bed; 1-mirror; 1-Parlor suite;
Linoleum; - House #12, Great West Cannery, Steveston, B. C.

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS
None

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

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4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

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

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

None

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

1-Victory Bond $50.00 - in owner's possession. (k 4 H425451)

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: None

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

REMARKS: Personal property of declarant will put in Cannery Store House upon his evacuation.

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

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

Dated this 16th day of April 194 2.

(Signature) "Niziro Hirota"

"A. G. McArthur"
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy. Date: Oct. 23, 1948.

E. LaRose

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May 13, 1943.

Mr. Niziro HIROTA, #03390,
c/o Mr. T. Rodowitz,
Monarch, Alta.

Dear Sir:

Would you kindly complete the enclosed net form to enable us further in identifying your nets left at the Gulf of Georgia Cannery.

Your prompt attention to the above will be much appreciated.

Yours truly,

Specified Articles Department.

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ENCL.

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

Date: October 23, 1948.

E. LeBasse

For Identification
665-"A"

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HIROTA, Niziro,
Registration No. 03390,
File No. 4250.

March 13, 1944.

NET STATEMENT

Custodian No.	Description	Purchase Price
1072	6/50 x 7 x 45 - 150	$ 80.00
1073	5/40 x 6¾ x 45 -150	50.00
1076	4/40 x 5⅛ x 55 -150	25.00
1072	pc. 6¼" net	5.00
Unnumbered	bundle 6" web	20.00
Unnumbered	35 fa. cork line	3.50
	TOTAL SALES	$183.50

Ex Great West Cannery

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

Date: October 23, 1948.

E. L. Casse

For Identification
665 - "B"

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July 12th, 1944.

Mr. Niziro HIROTA,
Registration Number No. 03390,
c/o V. R. Rowley,
Turin, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

We moved a lot of chattels in your name on July 21st, 1942, from the Great West Cannery, house #10, to our Storage Warehouse #4.

We understand you received your goods, so believe these must belong to Mr. Hayao HIROTA, and shall so assume, unless we hear from you to the contrary.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA declared that he left his goods at the Great West Cannery and we have no record of having moved any in his name.

Will you let us know what relation you bear to Hayao.

Thanking you in advance for your prompt reply.

Yours very truly,

R. M. Mackedie.
Protection Dept.

RMM/MHG

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

Date: October 23, 1948.

E. LeCasse