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Custodian File 3324

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	

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	
452.50	120.75	36.23	28.89	1550.50	447.94			484.17

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	484.17

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20 APPEARANCES:

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

W. S. RUSSELL, Esq., 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. 699, Shizuma Miyashita.

MR. RICE: For the purpose of the record, your Honour, this case should be tried and heard with Case No. 670, Teruhiko Ikeda, file No. 3624. When that case was heard, which was about a week or two weeks ago, on the 15th of this month, arrangements were made that both the evidence and the exhibits in the Ikeda case would apply in this case, and that the hearing of evidence in this case and any exhibits that were filed would apply equally as well in the Ikeda case. This is a case where an accountant should sit down and with the assistance of information received from these two claimants fix up a proper claim. Both filed claims for the same articles, and they overlap, and that is what has caused a lot of confusion.

MR. RUSSELL: Your Honour, I don't know how accurate this is, but I am advised that these parties have synchronized their claims so that there is no overlapping, and that the claim made in this case is only for the articles belonging to this claimant.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That other case was tried?

MR. RICE: Yes, your Honour. The reporter, I suppose, could give us what Mr. Virtue and I agreed to.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: At any rate, you are using the exhibits filed in the Ikeda case?

MR. RICE: Yes. And any evidence given in this case will also apply in the Ikeda case. The cases should have been tried together, but it was impossible to do that on account of the way they were set down

on the list.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I see.

MR. RUSSELL: Your Honour, in this particular case the claimant is abandoning the claim for real property in the proof of claim. He is still claiming the sum of $3168.00 for personal property.

MR. RICE: But you are abandoning the claim to the gas boat, too, I take it?

MR. RUSSELL: The claim to the gas boat is being abandoned.

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SHIZUMA MIYASHITA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

Q Mr. Miyashita, I am showing you a document entitled a summary of evidence in support of claim?

A Yes.

Q And you are familiar with the contents of this document? A: Yes, I understand.

20 Q This document was prepared under your direction and from information supplied by you?

A Yes.

Q It contains a summary of the evidence that you are using to support your claim? A: Yes.

Q You signed this document and that is your signature at the end? A; Yes.

Q And it is true to the best of your knowledge, information and belief? A; Yes.

MR. RUSSELL: I will put this in as an exhibit.

30 (SUMMARY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. RUSSELL: I think that is all I have on that claim, sir.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the personal property was sold for its fair market value, and if there is any claim that the Custodian may be responsible for I am submitting that the same is exorbitant.

I wish to tender as an exhibit an analysis of personal property claim, and I might point out, your Honour, that this is not really an analysis because the goods of the claimant and those of Ikeda are so tied up and interwoven in the different claims that have been filed that it has been impossible up to this time to prepare a proper analysis.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q Who is Teruhiko Ikeda? A: He is my brother-in-law, my wife's brother.

Q Did he live with you at 77 Moncton Street in Steveston, B.C.?

A Not in the same house.

Q Not in the same house? A: No.

Q When you left Steveston did you store your goods with those of Ikeda's?

A No, my goods were stored in my own house and his were stored in his own house.

Q And were any of your goods stored in his house?

A No, there was nothing left in his house, in Ikeda's

house.

Q Nothing was left in Ikeda's house?

A No.

Q It was all left or put in your house?

A Yes.

Q And your house was 77 Moncton Street in Steveston?

A Yes.

Q Who is George Y. Ikeda? A: He is Teruhiko's older brother.

10 Q And I believe he declared goods on behalf, that is, George Ikeda declared goods on behalf of Teruhiko Ikeda, or do you know about that?

A I don't know about that.

Q What business were you in before you were evacuated?

A I used to go fishing and we also had a drygoods business.

Q And did your brother-in-law Teruhiko Ikeda work with you in the drygoods business?

A No, he had no connection with us in the drygoods

20 business.

Q Did he work for you? A: No. His sister used to come and work for us sometimes.

Q Were the goods of George Y. Ikeda stored in your house as well as those of Teruhiko's?

A Neither of them stored anything in my house.

Q You told me a few minutes ago that the goods of Teruhiko were stored in your house at 77 Moncton Street at the time you were evacuated?

MR. RUSSELL: That is incorrect.

30 A I think that is misunderstood.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: No, that is not the way that I understood it.

MR. RICE: I understood that is what he said.

MR. RUSSELL: No, that is not.

MR. RICE: Q: Were any of Teruhiko's goods stored in your place when you were evacuated?

A No, that is incorrect.

Q Nothing whatever belonging to Teruhiko was left in your house when you were evacuated?

10 A No, there was nothing at all left with us.

Q Did you borrow any packing boxes with Teruhiko's name on them to store your goods before you left?

A There was no occasion to borrow any packing cases from him.

Q Well, where did Teruhiko live? What place was his home, what address?

A 99 Chatham Street at Steveston.

Q Were any of your goods stored at 99 Chatham Street then? A: When I

20 evacuated the person who had leased 99 Chatham Street requested me to loan him or let him use my refrigerator, sewing machine, stove, electric iron and such things.

Q Then considerable of your goods were moved from 77 Moncton Street to Chatham Street at the time that you were evacuated? A: No, not a considerable amount, just the items I mentioned just now.

Q And you said "other things" I thought besides

30 those items that you specifically mentioned?

A It was a lamp shade, as far as I remember; it was a lamp shade that I also loaned him.

Q I understood that you named several articles and said "and other articles"; perhaps you didn't.

A I think that is about all.

Q All you left there was a refrigerator, stove, an electric iron and a lamp shade, is that it?

A Five articles in all.

Q Five articles in all? A: Yes.

10 Q That was all you loaned this man? A: Yes.

Q What was his name? A: Miss Jane King.

Q Miss Jane King. As a matter of fact, Miss Jane King took charge of your chattels for you, did she not? A: She agreed to look after the store for me until the Custodians came around to look at it.

Q I believe the proper name of that lady is Jean King, and she is now Mrs. J. M. Stephanson?

20 A Yes, I think that is correct.

Q That is, she has since married and her name now is Mrs. J. M. Stephanson? A: Yes.

Q And she made the list of chattels and household effects that belonged to you for you?

A No, she just made a list of the articles I agreed to let her use.

Q I refer to the analysis of personal property claim, Exhibit 2, and according to the Custodian's records the inventory set forth in that analysis, your

30 Honour, is one signed by Mrs. J. M. Stephanson,

nee Jean King, with whom the Miyashitas left their chattels.

You say you left your chattels with the then Miss Jean King to look after for you until the Custodian took possession?

A Before I left I had locked the house and she had agreed to just go over things once in awhile over there to see that everything was in order.

Q Well, you left your goods in her possession, did you not? You locked the house and gave her the key and told her to make sure they were there and look after them?

A I locked the house when I left and handed her the key and asked her to hand the key to the Custodian when he arrived.

Q And you have already stated that you told her to keep an eye on the chattels in the house. How could she do that without entering the house?

A I don't know about that, but she promised to see that everything was in order and that the windows were not left broken or any other damage done to the place.

Q I show you your J.P. form, dated the 9th of April, 1942 (indicating); is that your signature to that document? A: Yes, that is my signature.

Q That is your signature? A: Yes.

Q And that is your J.P. form? A. Yes.

Q And that is your signature? A; Yes.

MR. RICE: I tender that as an exhibit, your Honour.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

MR. RICE: Q: I show you two releases, both dated July 30th, 1943, which purport to be signed by you. Is that your signature?

A Yes, that is mine.

Q That is your signature? A: Yes, that is my signature.

Q That is your signature? A: Yes.

MR. RICE: I tender that as an exhibit, your Honour, a release of a list of articles, Kelvinator refrigerator, kitchen range, electric iron, electric steam iron, Singer sewing machine, four cushions tops, silverware. The abovementioned are stored at Northwest corner of First Avenue and Chatham Street in possession of Mrs. Stephanson. Chinaware, ten volumes world book, one Webster dictionary, carpentry tool (in trunk), two three-quarter bed and springs, one double bed and springs, three boxes Japanese dolls, one cooking utensil (iron pot), one dress, one men's suit, one kid's car. These are stored at No. 77 Moncton Street.

Q Do you know the signature of Teruhiko Ikeda?

A Yes, that is his signature.

Q That is the signature of your brother-in-law, Teruhiko Ikeda, on a release form dated July 30th, 1943, wherein he releases the Custodian from looking after one electric sewing machine, Crone Storage Company Limited, Vancouver, B. C., one heater (small round stove) in basement, one willow case full of clothing in bed room, one box tea set,

two dolls (1 in glass case; 1 Shirley Temple); two teddy bear, big and small dish, enamel pan, double boiler, kettle, one box Japanese enamel bowl and other kitchen utensils, and there is a typewritten list attached to this.

Your Honour, I will tender that as an exhibit.

(TWO RELEASES MARKED EXHIBITS NOS. 4 & 5).

MR. RICE: Q: You received the sewing machine, did you?

A Yes, one sewing machine.

10 Q Why is it that you are claiming for a sewing machine in the claim that you have filed here?

A We had two sewing machines. The one I am claiming for is the one that was left in the store. The sewing machine I received was the one I left with Miss King and it was forwarded to me.

Q I think in the J.P. form that you filed you did not claim any kind of a sewing machine. I show you another release form dated February 22nd, 1944; is that your signature to that document? Excuse

20 me. Is the radio claimed?

A That is my signature.

MR. RUSSELL: I don't think there is any claim for a radio.

MR. RICE: It might be just cluttering up the record to put it in.

MR. RUSSELL: He is not claiming any radio.

MR. RICE: I wouldn't be sure of that.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. RICE: Q: I show you another release form dated March 25th, 1944 (indicating); is that your brother-

30 in-law's signature, T. Ikeda, to that?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: I tender that as an exhibit, your Honour. This is a release for a five-piece bed-room suite and spring, dining room set table and six chairs and buffet, Japanese willow case, full of clothing in bed-room, wooden trays, three-piece silverplated tea set.

(RELEASE MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Are those things referred to in that exhibit filed by this party?

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MR. RICE: I beg your pardon, your Honour?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Are the chattels referred to in that exhibit claimed by this man?

MR. RICE: There is a willow case there. The whole trouble is there is such a mixup it is hard to explain what different claims are made for the different property.

MR. RUSSELL: There is no willow case listed here in the summary of evidence.

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MR. RICE: Apparently on the 21st of October, or, no, on the 30th of August, 1946, the Custodian wrote to the three of these parties, that is, to George Ikeda, Teruhiko Ikeda and the claimant here asking them to set out in a detailed statement their respective goods, but no answer was ever received to these letters.

Q Did you receive a list from the Custodian's office in October, 1947, that you were asked to sign along with your brother-in-law T. Ikeda and his brother George Y. Ikeda? A: Yes.

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Q That is your signature to that document?

A Yes.

Q Did you receive a letter similar to this one which is addressed to George Y. Ikeda under date of the 21st of October, 1947, in which that list was enclosed? A: Yes, I think I remember receiving it.

Q George Ikeda lives at Picture Butte, does he?

A Yes.

10 Q And T. Ikeda lives where? A: Also in Picture Butte.

Q And where do you live? A: I live there also.

Q And that is how it was that you met and all three signed this statement attached to the letter of the 21st of October, 1947, and addressed by the Custodian to George Y. Ikeda? A: Yes.

Q And attached to that same letter was another copy of a letter addressed to the Custodian authorizing

20 the Custodian to transfer all fees derived from the sale of chattels now credited to the three of you to the account of one person. Is that document signed by you? A: Yes.

Q That was signed by you? A: Yes, we signed the form.

Q That is, you, your brother-in-law T. Ikeda and his brother George Y. Ikeda signed that order in the presence of one another? A; Yes.

Q And you signed this inventory at the same time,

30 did you? A; Yes.

Q All three of you? A: Yes.

Q Yes. I tender that as an exhibit, your Honour, the letter from the Custodian addressed to George Y. Ikeda, dated the 21st of October, 1947, to which is attached a list of chattels, or an inventory, signed by the claimant and his brothers-in-law. This is signed by the claimant, his brother-in-law T. Ikeda and George Y. Ikeda. There is also an order for the Custodian to place the proceeds from the sale of chattels from the three in one account, and that document is signed by the claimant, his brother-in-law and his brother-inplaw's brother.

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

MR. RICE: Q: The hot water tank that you are claiming $30.00 for, where was that? A: That was in my house.

Q And you rented your house, did you, or did you own it?

A No, it belonged to Teruhiko and I was renting it from him.

Q And this boiler that you put in, did that replace another one?

A No, it didn't replace another one because there wasn't one when I put this boiler in.

Q But you put a boiler in and you used it two years and you say it is worth as much when you left there as it was when you put it in new?

A Well, the amount I am claiming for includes what I paid the plumbers and other expenses connected with installation.

Q You say it cost you $30.00 and you value it at $30.00? A: The original price I paid just included the pipes and the tank. My claim includes the plumbers' expenses and the cost of installation.

Q You have a claim for four drawers that you bought from 1925 to 1940 for $80.00. What kind of drawers were they? A: No, that means a chest of drawers.

10 Q A chest of drawers? A: Yes.

Q And you bought it in 1925, did you? A; I bought one that year.

Q And when did you buy the others? How many were in the chest, four drawers? A: As the family increased I bought the others. The last I think was bought in 1935 or '36.

Q The last you put in or you bought in '35 or '36. Well, there was a chest of four drawers, is that right? A: There was

20 only one with four drawers, another one with three drawers, and I also remember another one with four drawers, so that means two with four drawers and One with three.

Q And you just had three chests of drawers?

A Three chests of drawers with four drawers each and one chest of drawers with three drawers. That is the correct answer.

Q Well, then, what you claim here is for four chests of drawers, not four drawers?

30 A I think my son made a mistake.

Q Well, these drawers, you say you bought them at $80.00 and you used them from seven to seventeen years and you say they are still worth $80.00?

A The amount should have been reduced. In any case, the amounts that I paid at the time they were bought should be on the list.

Q You have them on the list and you say that you paid $80.00 for those drawers, and according to this summary of evidence that you have submitted you swear that they are still worth $80.00, or they were at the time you were evacuated?

A Well, I think they are worth $80.00.

Q And the fencing outfit, you bought that about three years before you were evacuated for $24.00 and you say after using it three years it is still worth $24.00, do you? A: Could I have that?

Q $24.00, it is a fencing outfit. Why have you got to look at it to answer the question?

A I consider they are worth the original amount because it is impossible to substitute them now, and they had only been used for one season.

Q They were three years old, were they not, when you were evacuated? A: Yes.

MR. RICE: I wish to tender this personal property summary which gives the history of it.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Exhibit 8.

(SUMMARY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. RICE: That is all, thanks.

RE-DIRECT-EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

Q Mr. Miyashita, these articles listed in your personal property claim, are they your own articles?

A I can't say they are mine alone because some belonged to my wife and some to my son; they belonged to the family.

Q But they belonged to the family?

A Yes.

Q No one outside of the family has any interest?

10 A No.

Q Now, in this Exhibit 5 you asked the Custodian to release to you certain property?

A Yes.

Q Now, one of these articles was one electric sewing machine, Crone Storage Company Limited, Vancouver?

A That is Ikeda's.

Q Oh, I am sorry. On Exhibit 4 you asked the Custodian to release to you certain property which you listed?

A Yes.

20 Q Now, the first item is a Kelvinator refrigerator, and you are not making any claim for that?

A No, I received it so that I am not claiming.

Q And the next one is one kitchen range; you are making no claim for that?

A No.

Q Now, you say an electric iron? A: I am claiming for the iron because I didn't receive it.

Q One electric steam iron? A: I didn't receive that either.

30 Q And you are claiming for that? A: Yes.

Q And that is listed in your claim here?

A Yes.

Q One Singer sewing machine? A: I am also claiming for that.

Q Is that a different sewing machine from the one that you actually received? A: It is a different one.

Q You are making no claim for these four cushion tops?

A I am claiming for those also. It isn't listed as cushion tops; it is includes in the $100.00 worth of valuable articles.

Q I don't see where you have made any claim for those cushion tops at all. Can you tell me what item they fall under?

A It appears to have been left out. I included it in the copy of the claim I brought with me.

Q Well, there is no claim here for four cushion tops.

A On the rough copy I had made It is included.

Q. It is apparently omitted.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Before you leave the machines, will you tell the Court which machine you received?

MR. RUSSELL: Q: Which sewing machine did you receive?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He has one valued at $300.00 and one at $100.00.

A The one I received was the one valued at $100.00, and I think it is the one that was left with Miss King.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: Well, did you have two machines or three? There is a hem stitcher machine, and then I understand that you also had two sewing machines,

is that correct?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: There is only one listed here in this claim that you filed.

MR. RUSSELL: He received the other one, so that he is making no claim for it. I am just explaining how it happens that he did receive one machine and still putting in a claim for one sewing machine; this sewing machine that he is claiming for he did not receive.

10 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He had three altogether, is that it?

MR. RUSSELL: He had three altogether, two sewing machines and a hem-stitching machine.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He was well-equipped with sewing machines.

A One of those machines must have been overlooked in the typing.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: You have asked the Custodian in Exhibit 5-B for silverware; you are not making any claim for silverware here. Pardon me, this is Exhibit 4; I

20 just saw this 5-B at the top.

A The silverware is included in the claim for china.

Q And notwithstanding those releases you are, therefore, claiming for any articles which you did not, in fact, receive, is that correct?

A Yes.

Q Therefore, this list in your summary of evidence contains a list of articles which you swear are your own articles and which you have never received and upon which you sustained a loss, is that

30 correct? A: Yes, that

is correct.

Q Thanks.

RE-CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q I hesitate to waste too much time over these articles, but there are one or two articles I would like to clear up. How much is the value of the sewing machine that you did get or was shipped to you? A: I valued

10 it at around $100.00.

Q That is the one that you got, you valued at $100.00?

A Yes.

Q And the machine you left there was of the same value, was it? A: It was the same kind of a machine, but it was newer than the one that I received.

Q And the hem-stitching machine, according to your summary of evidence, cost you $300.00, and you used it seven years and you say it is still worth

20 $300.00? A: I valued that machine because I intended to resume my business when I got back to the Coast.

Q And you, therefore, want the price of a new machine to resume your business with, is that right?

A To me it is worth $300.00.

Q Well, the statement you have sworn to are not exactly your values, but what are the fair values, as I understand it?

A Well, the price might sound rather high, but to

30 me it is worth that amount because I intended to resume business with it.

Q The six showcases that you claim for, were they all alike? A: There were several different kinds.

Q Well, can you describe them? How much would each be worth? You say they cost you $300.00 and you value them now at $240.00. That would be $40.00 apiece, or are some worth more than $40.00 and others less than $40.00?

A They were worth various amounts, anywhere from about $60.00 to about $80.00 when I bought them. I paid $300.00 for them.

Q Well, will you give me a breakdown, that is, the size of the showcases and how much they are worth, the six of them. Can you do that?

A There would be two twelve feet long; there is another one about eight feet long, all glass; there is another one about eight feet long, fronted with glass; another about twenty inches high and about eight feet long, also glass.

Q All glass or fronted with glass?

A Glass right around.

Q All glass? A: Four sides of glass. And another one about four feet high and two feet square. We used it to exhibit dolls in it.

Q Is that glass or just a glass front?

A Yes, it had glass on around it, right around it.

Q All glass. Well, now, what would you value the two showcases that are twelve feet? How much would those be apiece?

A I bought them for $120.00.

Q And what would you value them at now, or, I mean, at the time that you were evacuated?

A Well, I estimate they are worth about twenty-five to thirty per cent less than what I paid.

Q There would be $30.00 to $35.00 off then; about $90.00 for the two of them?

A. Yes, about that.

Q Did you buy them new or secondhand?

10 A They were new when I bought them.

Q And was any of the glass broken in them?

A No, they weren't broken.

Q Not broken? A: No.

Q Then the eight foot glass showcase, what would you value that at the time that you were evacuated?

A I bought it for $80.00 so that I reckon about $60.00 now.

Q And the next eight foot fronted with glass?

20 A That was bought for $50;00, so that I should say about $40.00 now.

Q And then there is another eight foot showcase all glass? A: That was bought for $40.00, so that I would estimate between $30.00 and $35.00 now.

Q And the last one, 4 x 2 x 2? A: I bought that for $25.00. These things do not depreciate much in value, but for that one I would estimate about $20.00 now.

30 A Well, were any of these showcases broken, any of

the glass in them broken?

A No, they were all in good condition.

Q The counter, you had four counters, are they fir or hardwood? A: They were fir.

Q And made by a carpenter, were they?

A Yes.

Q Did you make any of them yourself? A: No, I didn't make any of them.

Q Yes. You didn't make any of them? A: No.

10 MR. RICE: I have, your Honour, the statement of Thompson & Company, appraisers, regarding one eight-foot showcase and one six-foot showcase. The eight-foot showcase is described as "glass broken, poor condition." The six-foot showcase, "poor construction and condition." There is also a ten-foot fir counter, $2.50, and one home-made table, 50¢. I would like to submit that as an exhibit.

(APPRAISAL marked EXHIBIT NO. 9)

MR. RICE: That is all.

20 MR. RUSSELL: Just in connection with this appraisal, sir. The letter is dated April 5th, 1945, and I draw your Honour's attention to the fact that the evacuation date of this man was three years earlier. It is quite obvious that they might be broken and in poor condition then.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I do not think the appraisal is of very much value. It refers to T. Ikeda, I notice.

MR. RICE: That is his brother-in-law.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Did he have a showcase too, I wonder.

30 MR. RICE: It was in his store, that is all. He apparently

rented the store from his brother-in-law, I believe he said.

MR. RUSSELL: I am not familiar with this.

MR. RICE: Q: I think you said that you rented your store from your brother-in-law, T. Ikeda?

A Yes, I rented the house and the store from him.

Q What did T. Ikeda do for a living?

A He was a captain on a steamer.

Q Did your brother-in-law have any showcases in the store? A: Well, he never ran any business, or required a showcase anyway.

Q And all these showcases that you are claiming are yours, none belonged to Ikeda?

A They were all mine.

Q And you say that Ikeda had no showcases in the store that you rented from him? A: No, he hadn't.

Q All right.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That is all, thank you.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

"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.

3324

Case No. 699

ACKNOWLEDGED

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Letter

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.

1. Name of Claimant in full:

   Shizuma Miyashita.

   Registration No.

   04408

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

   77 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

3. Claimant's present address:

   Box 110, Picture Butte, Alberta.

4. Claim relating to real property:

   (a) Street address of real property:

   (b) Legal description of property: No. 136158E
   (a) Lots (14) and (15) Block 3 of Section (10) Block (3) North Rnage (7) West Map (249) in the district of New Westminster.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

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

Vacant Lot

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

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

(I) Land— $ 350.00

(II) Buildings— $

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

$ None

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

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

77 Moncton St., 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:

Rented ~~and~~ store and residence at the above address.

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

The Custodian

(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:

Store Fixtures	
Hem Stitcher Machine	$300Ø.00
Sewing Machine	$100.00
Office Desk and Chair	$ 35.00
Cash Register	$ 50.00
6 Show Cases	$240.00
4 Counters	$ 60.00
	$785.00

Furnitures	
5 Bed	$125.00
1 Crib	$ 15.00
1 Dresser	$ 30.00
1 Closet	$ 30.00
Garments	$400.00
2 Heaters	$45.00
	$ 645.00

Gas Boat $500.00/	$1500.00/ abandoned
Education Books	$100.00
Redord Player	$20.00
Records	$50.00
Sports Equipments	$75.00
	$245.00

Heather Couch	$50.00
4 Linoleums	$60.00
3 Cartons of Festival Goods	$150.00
1 doz. Chairs	$ 15.00
4 Drawers	$80.00
	$355.00

3 piece Armchair Set	$60.00
Chinaware Cabinet	$390.00
Steam Iron	$18.00
2 Electric Iron	$10.00
Hot Water Tank	$30.00
Water Tap & Sink	$10.00
Wall Clock	$20.00
Souvinirs	$100.00
	$638.00

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

$3168.00

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 13th day of ~~October~~ Nov, A.D. 1947.

S. Kumindo
Witness to Signature of Claimant.

Shizuma Migashita
Signature of Claimant.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Shizuma Miyashita
(Full Name of Claimant)

of Box110, Picture Butte, Alberta. Beetworker
(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: $300.00 received for the sale of my mentioned lot, from the custodian. $1000.00 for the Gas Boat. (Received from local Fish Cannery, who obtained same from gov't's custody).

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 Picture Butte
in the Province of Alberta,
this 13th day of November
A.D. 1947.

Shizuma Miyashita

Roscoe D. Into
A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

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

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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.

Proof of Claim

VIRTUE & RUSSELL
Barristers & Solicitors,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Claim No. 61

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM

The Following are Particulars of the Claim:

1. Claimant's Name In Full: Shizume MIYASHITA

2. Registration Number: 04408

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DATE Sept. 22/48
FILED BY W. S. Russell

3. Present Address: Box 110, Picture Butte, Alta.

4. Address Prior To Evacuation: 77 Moncton St., Steveston, B. C.

Shizuma Miyashita.

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

ITEM	YEAR PURCHASED	PRICE PAID	VALUE	REMARKS
hemstitching machine	1935	$300.00	$ 300.00	hard to replace.
1 sewing machine	38-9	100.00	100.00	
1 set office desk & chair	1935	50.00	35.00	
1 cash register	1930	75.00	50.00	
6 show cases	28-36	300.00	240.00	
4 counters	28-35	80.00	60.00	
5 beds 5 springs 3 mattresses	25-39	175.00	125.00	
1 crib, spring, mattress	1939	18.95	15.00	
1 dresser	1928	45.00	30.00	
1 closet full of garments			400.00	
2 heaters	35-40	60.00	45.00	
1 glass, closet case		45.00	30.00	
1 leather couch	1934	75.00	50.00	
linoleum for 3 rooms	40-41		30.00	
1 new linoleum	[illegible]	30.00	30.00	
3 cartons of festival goods	26-39	180.00	150.00	30 pcs.
1 doz. chairs	36-40		15.00	
4 drawers	25-40	80.00	80.00	
set world books	1939	24.00	24.00	
dictionaries(Japanese-English)	40	7.00	7.00	
Webster		15.00	15.00	
bookcase & books	25-40		54.00	
3 pc. armchair set	1936	75.00	60.00	
chinaware & cabinet	25-40		390.00	
1 steam iron	1939	18.00	18.00	
2 electric irons	1940	13.00	10.00	
hot water tank	1940	30.00	30.00	
water tap & sink	1940		m10.00	not installed
2 wall clocks		25.00	20.00	
3 silk wrappers	1929		25.00	
2 handpaintings	1929		40.00	
2 antique boxes	29-35		15.00	
6 flower vases	26-40	20.00	20.00	
record player	1939		20.00	
records	34-40		50.00	
fencing outfit (sport)	1939	24.00	24.00	
judo uniforms	39-40	15.00	8.00	
football	1940	5.50	4.00	
baseballs & bats	38-40	12.50	8.00	
badminton rackets	1940	7.50	5.00	
body builder	1939	6.00	4.50	
fishing rod and tackle	1936	4.00	2.50	
baseball uniform	1940		8.50	
3 lacrosse sticks	39-40		4.50	
3 prs. roller skates	38-40		6.00	

(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.
			Nil.

Total: $ Nil.

Total Claim for Personal Property $3168.00

Deduct Payments from Custodian ..... $nil.

Net Loss on Personal Property $3168.00

I Certify the above to be True and Correct.

..... Witness

S. Miyashita ..... Signature of Claimant.

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 3324

EXHIBIT No.

NAME Shizuma MIYASHITA

REG. No. 04408

DATE	INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
DECLARATION 9 Apr 42	TAKEN BY J.D. Mather			AUCTION	TENDER &c		
EVACUATION 22 Apr 42	DATE 25 Aug 42						
	This inventory signed by Mrs. J.M. Stephanson (nee Jean KING) with whom the Miyashita's left their chattels.						
3 Sewing machines		Hem Stitcher machine	$ 300				
1 Kitchen stove		Sewing machine	100				
1 Heating stove		Office desk & chair	35				
5 Beds (complete)		Cash register	50				
1 Washing machine	2 lge Show Cases (fixed)	6 Show cases	240				
2 Cabinets	2 ctns Vases, Advertisers	4 Counters	60				
4 Chest of Drawers	1 sm Heater	5 Beds	125				
3 Tables	1 Cash Register & stand	1 Crib	15				
2 Carpets	2 Counters	1 Dresser	30				
12 Chairs	1 Desk	1 Closet	30				
1 Sofa	9 Cotton Caps	Garments	400				
3 boxes China	1 Show Case	2 Heaters	45				
1 box Kitchen Utensils	1 Singer Tailor Sewing machine (Elec)	Gas Boat	500				
		Education books	100				
	1 Abacus	Record player	20				
Toshiko MIYASHITA (wife) did not declare any personal property, stating all of her belongings were in her husband's name.	1 sm bx Easter Cards	Records	50				
	1 ctn Remnants	Sports equipment	75				
	1 sm Table	Heather couch	50				
	1 Show Counter	4 Linoleums	60				
	1 lge Show Case	3 ctns Festival goods	150				
	2 Show Tables	1 doz Chairs	15				
	1 trunk misc. Tools	4 Drawers	80				
	1 Show Case	3 pc Armchair Set	60				
	1 Step Ladder	China ware cabinet	390				
	1 Sewing machine, Singer treadle	Steam Iron	18				
		2 Elec. Iron	10				
	2 ctns Xmas decorations	Hot water tank	30				
	4 paper Xmas Trees	Water Tap & Sink	10				
	Sundry garden tools	Wall clock	20				
	1 Umbrella Stand	Souvenirs	100				
	5 Show cases for thread						
	13 Show Stands for hats	ALLEGED LOSS	$ 3168				
	1 Long Table						
	1 Show case (Glass Brkn)						
	1 Skirt Marker						
	1 Table						
	1 dble Paper Stand						
	1 Awning for store front						
	1 Heater, sawdust						
	1 Davenport						
	10 Chairs						
	1 High Chair (broken)						
	1 HM Table						
	1 Mirror						
	1 Childs Table and Chair						
	Linoleum on floor						
	1 Table						
	Sundry Kitchen utensils						
	1 Kitchen Cabinet						
	2 Beds & springs ¾ size						
	1 sm Table						
	1 Chest Drawers						
	1 Bureau (no glass)						
	1 Chair						
	1 sm Table						
	1 Bed & spring ¾ size						
	1 Childs Automobile						
	1 Screen door						
	Lumber, sm. quantity						
	2 Crocks 6 gal.						
	1 Crock 5 gal.						
	1 Vanity Bench						
	1 Wooden Beadstead						

No. 3324 EXHIBIT No. _____ CASE No. _____

No. 04408 VENUE _____

SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANY TIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT &C	UNSOLD		REMARKS
N	TENDER &c								

EXHIBIT No. 699-2
DATE Sept. 22/48
FILLED BY G. R. A. Price

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 8324 EXHIBIT No. _____

NAME Shizuma MIYASHITA PAGE # 2. REG. No. 04408

DATE	INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM	SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
DECLARATION _____	TAKEN BY _____		AUCTION	TENDER &c		
EVACUATION _____	DATE _____					
	1 ctn Old Clothes					
	Sundry Crockeryware					
	1 Wardrobe, glass front					
	1 Medicine Cabinet					
	1 Baby Carriage					
	1 Settee					
	1 Gramaphone					
	1 Bureau					
	1 Chest Drawers					
	3 ctns Old Clothes					
	1 Baby Crib & mattress					
	2 Beds & springs					
	1 Chest drawers					
	1 wicker basket old clothes					
	SIGNED					
	"J.M. Stephanson"					

E No. 8324 EXHIBIT No. _____ CASE No. _____

G. No. 04408 VENUE _____

SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANY TIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT &C	UNSOLD		REMARKS
UCTION	TENDER &c								

FORM "JP"

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FILE No.
DATE Sept. 22/48
FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK

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: MIYASHITA Shizuma

HOME ADDRESS: 77 Moncton Street, Steveston, B.C. P.O. Box 445.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 04408. SEX: Male AGE: 53.

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: Canadian Fishing Company, Vancouver, B. C.

MARRIED? Yes.

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Toshiko

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 77 Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Satomi (M) Setsuo (M) Mitsuo (M) Hideaki (M).

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: as above.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 15, 13, 12, 4.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 2 Lots behind the rented house, 77. Moncton Street, Steveston, in which declarant is living. (See agent's report for legal description) Declarant bought the land about 1½ years ago intending to build a house on it.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) $22.00 approx. paid in 1941 at City Hall, Brighouse, B. C.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In declarant's possession.

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: No.

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 77 Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.

Dwelling House. Bungalow of four rooms. Dressmaker's Shop in front.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: T. Ikeda, 77. Moncton Street,

Steveston, B. C.

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

$25.00 per month paid up to date.

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

At 77 Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.

3 Sewing Machines, 1 Kitchen Stove, 1 Heating Stove, 5 Beds, Springs and Mattresses, 1 Washing Machine, 2 Cabinets, 4 Chest of drawers, 3 Tables, 2 Carpets, 12 Chairs, 1 Sofa, 3 Boxes China, 1 Box Kitchen Utensils,

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

FORM "JP

FILE No.

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY:

$1,000.00 Fire Insurance, Number of Policy and Name of Company not known. Premiums paid to Agent, Mr. Tanaka.

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS:

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

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

$150.00 Victory Bonds. ($50.00 maturing in 1951, $100.00 in 1954)

In own possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS:

9. LIFE INSURANCE: $1,000.00 Twenty-five year Endowment. Sun Life Assurance Co. Vancouver, B. C. Beneficiary, wife Toshiko. Number of Policy unknown. Policy in declarant's possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX:

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS:

2. TRADE DEBTS:

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 9th day of April 194 2

(Signature) "Shizuma Miyashita"

"Dorothy M. Chope"
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: October 25, 1948.

G. M. E. LeBasse

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EXHIBIT No.
DATE Sept. 22/48
FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address: c/o Oscar Sanders, G-165-A

PICTURE BUTTE, Alberta. Date: July 30, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd AUG 17 '43
File No. 3324
Ans. Sporn
Referred Hodgson

To: The Secretary of State, acting in his capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B. C.

I, Shizuma MIYASHITA, Police Registration No. 04408

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property stored at 77 Moncton St. Steveston, B. C., N.W. Corner of 1st Ave. & Charlham St., Steveston, B. C. in possession of Mrs. Jean Stephenson and I release you form any claim whatsoever with respect to such property.

Shipped Oct. 20/43 also Tonnah

Description of Property:

✓1. Kelvinator Refrigator, ✓ One kitchen range. Electric Iron, One electric Steam Iron, ✓One singer sewing machine, 4 cushions tops, silver ware. The above mentioned are stored at N.W. Corner of 1st ave. & Chutham St. in possession of Mrs. Stephenson. China ware, lo vol. world Book, One webster Dictionary, Carpentry Tool (In trunk) two three-quarter bed and springs. One double bed and springs. 3 boxes Japanese dolls, One cooking utensil (Iron pot) one dress, one men's suit. One kids car. these are stored at No. 77 Moncton St.

Original Address

Date Evacuated to Vancouver

Date Evacuated to Present Address April 22, 1942.

Number in Family - 12 years and over 5

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old -

Number in Family - under 5 1

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 6

I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia Security Commission.

APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: "R.S. Beattie"

"Shizuma Miyashita"
Claimant Signs Here

August 14, 1943

Mr. C.C. Robinson, Steveston, B. C.
Office of the Custodian, Vancouver, B. C.

Please ship goods shown in connection with the IKEDA order sent you today. Extra copy of this letter to you for delivery to Richmond Transfer as instructions to ship the goods by freight, freight charges prepaid here to our account, chartage bills and B/L to us promptly. Should crating be necessary, please arrange to do at Steveston or Vancouver as seems best. The IKEDA and MIYASHITA shipments may be consolidated in one if desired as they are living together.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.
"C.W. Fisher"
C.W. Fisher.

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

Date: October 26, 1948. G. M. E. LaBasse

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EXHIBIT No.

DATE Sept 22/48

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

G-165- A

Address: c/o Oscar Sanders,

Picture Butte, Alberta. Date: July 30, 1943

To: The Secretary of State, acting in his capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B. C.

I, Teruhiko IKEDA, Police Registration No. 00341 hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property stored at

N.W. Corner of 1st ave. and Chatham St. in possession of Mrs. Jean Stephenson

and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such property.

Description of Property:

big + small dish, enamel pan, double boiler, kettle, 1 box Japanese enamel bowl + other kitchen utensils

~~1 Electric Sewing Machine. Crone Storage Co. Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.~~
1 heater (small round stove) in basement - 1 willow case full of clothing in bedroom - 1 box tea set - 2 dolls 1 in glass case; 1 Shirley Temple) 2 Teddy Bears, big & small dish, enamel Pan, Double boiler, kettle, 1box Japanese enamel bowl and other kitchen utensils.

Original Address: 77 Moncton St., Steveston, B. C.
All the clothing piece of goods are in Chiffonier dresser drawer.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver

Date Evacuated to Present Address April 22, 1942

Number in Family - 12 year and over 2

Number in Family - 5 to 11 year old

Number in Family - under 5

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 2

I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia Security Commission.

APPROVED:

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: "R.S. Beattie"

"Teruhiko Ikeda"
Claimant Signs Here

Mr. C.C. Robinson, Steveston, B.C.
Office of the Custodian, Royal Bank Bldg., Vancouver

August 14, 1943.

Please ship goods shown in usual manner delivering extra copy of this letter to the Richmond Transfer as instructions to bill by freight, the freight charges prepaid to our account at Vancouver, cartage bill sent to us promptly. Am instructing Crone Storage separately about the electric sewing machine. Please connect this shipment up with the MIYASHITA order sent you today.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION
"C.W. Fisher"
C.W. Fisher
Transportation

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

Date: October 27, 1948. M. E. LaBasse

Attached to 699-5

Description of Property

1 electric sewing machine Crone Storage Co., Ltd., Vancouver, B. C. 1 heater (small round stove) in basement - 1 willow case full of clothing in bedroom - 1 box tea set - 2 dolls (1 Japanese in glass case - 1 Shirley Temple) 2 teddy bears - big and small dish, enamel pan, double boiler, kettle, 1 box Japanese enamel bowl and other kitchen utensils.

Re: Teruhiko IKEDA, #00341
c/o Oscar Sanders
Picture Butte, Alberta.

Mr. C.C. Robinson, Steveston, B. C.
Office of the Custodian, Royal Bank Bldg., Vancouver.

August 14th, 1943.

Please ship goods shown in usual manner delivering extra copy of this letter to the Richmond Transfer as instructions to bill by freight, the freight charges prepaid to our account at Vancouver, cartage bill sent to us promptly. Am instructing Crone Storage separately about the electric sewing machine. Please connect this shipment up with the MIYASHITA order sent you today.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

"C.W. Fisher"
C.W. Fisher
Transportation.

EXHIBIT No. Sept. 22/48
DATE
FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

G-165-B

Address: Box 110

Picture Butte, Alberta.

Date: March 25/44

To: The Secretary of State, acting in his capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B. C.

Douglas T. Ikeda, Police Registration No. 00341

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted articles stored at

Chatin St. and 1st Ave. No. Steveston, B. C.

in possession of Jean Stephenson "The Custodian of Enemy Property"

and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such

articles, and ship same through the B. C. Security Commission.

Description of articles wanted:

5 piece Bed Room suite and spring. Dining room set table and six chairs and buffet

Japanese willow case (full of clothing in bed room) Wooden trays, 3 piece silverplated

tea set.

Original Address: Chatin St. and 1st Ave. No. Steveston, B. C

Date Evacuated to Present Address: April 24/42

Total Number in Family: 2

CHARGES:

I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia Security Commission.

Deposit received: $20.00

Approved:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: "D.C. Archibald"

"Douglas Teruhiko Ikeda"
(Claimant Signs Here)

Mr. G.M. Harris,
Custodian Agent, STEVESTON, B. C.

Custodian of Alien Property, 506 Royal Bank Bldg., VANCOUVER, B. C.

Please ship these goods by freight as soon as convenient, all charges to our account. Mr. MacDonald will assist when requested.

CWF:FF

Shipped 10/5/44
By McD.

B.C. SECURITY COMMISSION
"C.W. Fisher"
C.W. Fisher
Transportation

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

Date: October 27, 1948.

E. M. E. LaBesse

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

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

PLEASE REFER TO
FILE No. 13293

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21 Oct. 47.

EXHIBIT No. 699 - 7
DATE Sept. 22/48
FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

Mr. George Yoshinori IKEDA,
Regn. No. 07797,
c/o S. Schneider,
Picture Butte, Alta.

Dear Sir;

This is to advise yout that review of your file has now been completed with the exception of a number of details which require your personal attention. Upon receipt of the information requested below, your file, will be closed and all funds held to your credit at this office forwarded to you.

On 30th Aug., 1946, this office submitted to you and your brother Teruhiko Ikeda (file 3624) and brother-in-law Shizuma Miyashita (file 3324) a list of articles which had been removed from 77 Moncton St. and 91 Chatham St. in Steveston, B. C. Your were requested to decide ownership of each article, note same on the list provided and return the lists duly signed to this office. In this manner this office could have credited the proper account with the proceeds derived from the sale thereof. No answer has been received to date.

We are again writing to each of you separately and attaching to each letter a copy of the inventory. It will, therefore, be necessary that we receive these lists correctly signed and dated, with the required information noted thereon, or, if it is more convenient, a letter signed by all three of you to the effect that you wish the full proceeds derived from the sale of these articles to be forwarded to any one of you and to make your own disposition of the proceeds upon receipt of the money. In this last instance, a form is attached for your convenience, and you are directed to mark "X" in the space provided insofar as to the person you designate to receive these monies.

Insofar as your personal affairs are concerned, we have on hand an AGFA camera and the proceeds from the sale of a radio which we have been given to understand were turned in by you to R.C.M.P. authorities. You were written to on 8 Jul 47 and 30 Aug 46 in regard to these articles. It is requested that you complete the attached forms and return them to this office, or produce the R.C.M.P. receipts. Upon receipt of either, the camera will be mailed to you and the funds received in the case of the radio will be released to your account. If, however, we do not receive word from you within six weeks of date of this letter, we will consider that you do not claim ownership of either article and will dispose of same without reference to you.

In order that we may complete your account and release the accumulated funds to you, it is advised and requested that you obtain the necessary information and forward same without delay to this office, otherwise, the only recourse open to this office is to place all funds in a Suspense Account.

Yours truly,
"J. Cuming"
J. Cuming, Office of the Custodian.

JC/.. Encl.4.

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.
Date: October 26, 1948.
E. Lalonde
E.M.

Files: 3624 - 3324 - 13293. 20 Oct. 47.

LIST OF GOODS SOLD BY AUCTION AFTER BEING REMOVED FROM 77 MONCTON ST. AND 91 CHATHAM ST., STEVESTON, B. C.

1 Metal bed
Settee
Deck chair
Mantel clock
Mirror
Kitchen cabinet
Glass book case
Book case
Kitchen table
Flower stand
Dresser with mirror
Chest of drawers
Floor lamp
Kitchen table
Small table
Chest of drawers
Cabinet (HM)
Roll linoleum
Jack
Shovel
3 gal Crock
2 Lanterns
Baby swing
Open grate heater
Coal-oil stove
2 kitchen chairs
Small bookcase
Hand cultivator
Roll top desk
Studio couch
Sewing machine
National Cash Register
Small scales
Small table
4 pce Bedroom set
Bed and spring
Dishes
Sealers
Garden tools
Garden tools
Electric iron
Electric iron
Baby carriage

Chest drawers
Radio cabinet
2 Racks
Chest drawers
Chest drawers
Cabinet
Dresser and mirror
High chair
5 Kitchen chairs
Bed and spring
Baby bed
Table
Heater
Bed and spring
Bed and spring
Tailors sew. machine
Bed and spring
Tool box
Trays, mirror and records etc
Picture frames
Xmas decorations and ornaments
Cushions
Roll of paper and umbrella
Glass and chinaware
Flower vase
Silver set, cream, sugar, tray
Silver set with teapot
Forks, spoons and knives
Candle stick holders and vases (plated)
Chinaware
Glass and silverware
Lacquerware
Carton of festival goods
2 boxes of festival goods
Trunk
Paper rack
Chest of drawers
7 Kitchen chairs
Good Cheer heater & sawdust attachment
Showcase, counter and table.

"Teruhiko IKEDA"
Teruhiko Ikeda Regn. No. 00341

"Shizuma Miyashita"
Shizuma MIYASHITA Regn. No. 04408

"George Yoshinori IKeda"
George Yoshinori IKEDA Regn. No. 07797

Attached to 699 - 7

13293, 3624, 3324.

Picture Butte, Alta,

Nov. 3rd, 1947.

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

Sirs:

RE: George Yoshinori IKEDA
Regn. No. 07797,
File No. 13293,

Teruhiko IKEDA
Regn. No. 00341,
File No. 3624

Shizuma MIYASHITA
Reg. No. 04408,
File No. 3324

This will be your authority to transfer all funds derived from sale of chattels now credited to the above three persons to the account of the one person beside whose name we have inscribed an "X"., and we will make our own division of such money.

Yours truly,

"George Yoshinori Ikeda"
George Yoshinori IKEDA

"Teruhiko IKEDA"
Teruhiko IKEDA

"Shizuma Miyashita"
Shizuma MIYASHITA

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

Date: October 26, 1948.

C. M. E. LaCasse

T..Ikeda 3624
S. Miyashita 3324

16th June, 1948.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIMS

WHILE CLAIMS OF THE A/M JAPANESE HAVE BEEN INDIVIDUALLY ENTERED, IT IS CONSIDERED THAT SAME SHOULD BE HEARD JOINTLY DUE TO THE INFORMATION SUPPLIED BELOW.

EXHIBIT No. 699 - 8
DATE Sept.22/48
FILED BY G.E.A.Rice

CLAIMANTS	Teruhiko IKEDA	Regn. No.	00341
	Shizuma MIYASHITA		04408

The above Japanese and George Yoshinori IKEDA (file 13293) are brothers and brother-in-law and they occupied premises on Moncton St. Steveston, B.C. (a store) and a house in Steveston on Chatham St.
Two of the above three families evidently lived together, but which two lived together (and in fact where all three lived) is not quite clear on the file.

When registering with the Custodian, lists of chattels as per Analysis Form were submitted by Miyashita and T. Ikeda -- G.Y. Ikeda's list has been typed on paper of this type as no Claim has been received from him.

REFERENCES

PP. 1 — T. Ikeda, ~~but~~ by authority of his brother, leased the store (77 Moncton) to Miss Jean KING (later Mrs. Stephanson) prior to being evacuated. The lease specifies Miss King as being merely a caretaker, but does not place chattels under her control.

PP. 2 — On 25 Aug 42 J.D. Mather submitted an inventory of the chattels at 77 Moncton St. to the Custodian, signed by Miss King who at this time had married and was then Mrs. Stephanson.
These chattels were listed under the name of Miyashita.

PP.3A,b. — Mather's reports on T. Ikeda and Miyashita of 22-24 Apr 42 note that 'Personal Property is owned jointly by his brother (GY Ikeda) and sister (Mrs. Miyashita) who live in a house on Chatham St. and will be reported in their Forms JP".

NOTE: Correspondence on file appears to denote that Miyashita did not live on Chatham St. but occupied the store on Moncton St.

..... From the date of Mather's report the Custodian representatives at Steveston appear to have treated all chattels as common property of the three families, and the file is never quite clear as to from which address various articles were shipped or removed to storage.

PP. 4 — On 28 Jun 43 chattels were removed from 77 Moncton St. to Storage in the name of T. Ikeda. None of these items were ever declared by him most of them having been declared by his brother G. Y. Ikeda.
Some of the itmes can be linked up with items represented on Mrs. Stephanson's chattel list -- this only adding to the confusion as the chattels in her care were supposed to belong to Miyashita.

..... Even though the Stephanson chattel list was definitely at variance with JP declarations, nothing was done by the Custodian staff to make one full and complete inventory of all their possessions. When the chattels were removed to storage on 28 Jun 43 (PP.4), nobody appears to have noticed that a confusion of ownership is apparent.

PP.5a,b. — Requisitions for chattels were received under date of 30 Jul 43 from both T. Ikeda and Miyashita. The articles requested were not, in many cases, items declared by them. One item in particular, a Kelvinator refrigerator, was requested by Miyashita, shipped to him-- and declared by G. Y. Ikeda.

PP.6 Bill of Lading d/20 Oct 43 notes shipment in response to the above requisition. Shipment of the refrigerator to Miyashita is noted.

PP.7 B. C. Sec. Comm. letter of 25 Oct 43 queries non-shipment of many articles requested by Miyashita. No mention is on file as to whether any items were shipped T. Ikeda. No answer to BC Sec Comm apparent.

PP.8 On 10 Feb 44 the Cstdn removed chattels from the house at 91 Chatham St. and the store at 77 Moncton St.
All articles were removed in the name of Miyashita.

PP.9 On 22 Feb 44 Miyashita requested shipment of a radio ~~shoted~~ stored with J.W. Kelly Piano Co. This had not been declared, but was subsequently shipped by Kelly's on direction of the BC Sec Comm.

PP.10 On 25 Mar 44 T. Ikeda requested shipment of chattels. Two of the items requested were items declared by him, the others not.

PP.11 Bill of Lading d/12 May 44 covers shipment of many items to T. Ikeda.

PP.12 On 9 Mar 45 the Cstdn Office requested information form their Steveston representative re chattels left with the Ikeda's by Mr. and Mrs. Hamasaburo TARUMOTO. A note from the Steveston rep. notes that most of the items couldn't be found. This memo is the only item on the files which denotes that the Tarumotos left chattels with the Ikedas.

PP.13 Chattels were removed to Storage on 12 Mar 45 from 77 Moncton St. (store). This time they were removed in the name of T. Ikeda, but how ownership of same was deduced by the Steveston rep. is not known.

PP.14 a.b.c. 3 Sheets listing items found in boxes etc. together with information as to their ultimate disposal are provided.
These lists are all under the name of Miyashita with the exception of one which is noted as possibly belonging to somebody by the name of Kawasaki.

PP.15 An appraisal of undeclared showcases etc was made on 5 Apr 45. These were appraised under the name of T. Ikeda. Miyashita is now claiming on same.

PP.16 On 30 Aug 46 letters were despatched by the Custodian to T. Ikeda, G.Y. Ikeda and Miyashita providing them with a list of the chattels which had been sold at auction and requesting that they mark ownership of each article beside the item concerned.
No answer to this request was received.

PP.17 On 21 Oct 47 after attempting once again to segregate chattels, it was considered that at that date and with the lack of authentic information, that it would be an utter impossibility for this office to credit the individual with his own chattels. In order to close the accounts a further letter to all three Japanese was despatched asking them to mark ownership on the list provided (as in PP.16) or to delegate one of their number to whom all proceeds of auctions should be sent, and for them to make their own distribution.
Authority having been received from all three appointing G. Y. Ikeda as the party to receive the funds, a cheque was issued and copies of all auction sheets provided him, and individual letters despatched to all concerned providing as much information as possible in regard to their separate account.

Due to the fact that separate inventories of each person's chattels were not created prior to or immediately subsequent to the evacuation of these Japanese, it is virtually impossible to prepare Analysis of Claim Forms. The only inventory on file is that signed by Mrs. Stephanson, which presumably covers only the chattels found in the store premises at 77 Moncton St. -- these chattels could belong to any or all of the Japanese concerned. The JP Forms do not appear to cover more than a small percentage of the items involved, and due to shipments to one Japanese of articles obviously declared by another, are no help whatsoever.

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

Date: October 26, 1948.

C. M. E. LeBrasse

EVACUATION SE
Rec'd April 6/45
File No. 3624
Ans. McKelvie

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THOMPSON & COMPANY

Auctioneers and Appraisers

Royal Trust Building,
626 Pender Street West,
Vancouver, B. C.

April 5th. 1945.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
City

Dear Sir: RE T. IKEDA. STEVESTON B.C. FILE #3624.

As per request of your Mr. Harris we inspected certain Furniture & Fixtures on the above premises & below is an Inventory & Appraisal of each article:-

1 - 8' Show Case (Glass Broken poor Condition)	$ 8.00
1 - 6' Show Case (Poor Cohstruction & Condition)	5.00
1 - 10' Fir Counter	2.50
1 - Home made Table	.50
	$16.00

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Yours truly,
THOMPSON & CO.

"W.G. B. Thompson"

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Date: October 26, 1948.

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