

1426

Victoria B.C.

FILE NO. 1426

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: TAKATA, HayatoHOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 986, Victoria, B.C. (Gorge Park)REGISTRATION NUMBER 10058 SEX: Male AGE: 61OCCUPATION: Tea Garden Operator

(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: Self - Owns business (partnership with brother)MARRIED? NoNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: NoneADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: --NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: --ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: ---AGE OF CHILDREN: ---

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None Gorge Park, Victoria, B.C.Excess bungalow property owned by B.C. Electric, Victoria, B.C.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 1 - 7 room bungalow and 1 small shed and two large tea rooms - dance hall - 9 small summer houses owned by Hayato and Kensuke Takata, on above property.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) No insurance now.4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) B.C. Electric, Victoria, B.C. pay taxes.5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Occupied by Hayato and Kensuke Takata

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: Kensuke Takata
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: _____
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: _____
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: _____
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: _____
- Contents of buildings including tables and chairs, kitchen
stove, crockery, silver, etc. pertaining to Tea Garden business.
Garden tools.
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

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None now5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: None6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)
None7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
\$200.00 Victory Loan Bonds - in own possession8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Bank of Commerce, Govt. St., Victoria, B.C. Acct. #5529 - \$150.009. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1,000. - Monarch Life, ~~Victoria~~ Vancouver, B.C. No. P99566.
Beneficiary - None. Estate10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: NoneREMARKS: B.C. Electric, Victoria, B.C. to look after above.See Mr. R. T. Goward his Pres. B.C. Electric Victoria
about the ownership of these buildings.

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 28 day of March 1942

(Signature)

H. TakataW. McConnaughy
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd **MAR 17 1944**File No. **15406**

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Referred

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: **TAKATA Hayato**HOME ADDRESS: **VICTORIA, B. C.**REGISTRATION NUMBER **10058** SEX: **MALE** AGE: **63**OCCUPATION: **TEA GARDEN OWNER**

(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:

MARRIED? **NO**

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN:

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN:

AGE OF CHILDREN:

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

SAANICH DIST. VICTORIA, B. C. 1 LOT2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: **NO BLDGS.**

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

NO INSURANCE4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) **\$7.00 PAYABLE DIST. SAANICH, B.C.**

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

CLEAR TITLE

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

VACANT

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: REGISTRY OFFICE, VICTORIA

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

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

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:

THIS ALL COLLECTED FROM TEA GARDEN AT GORGE PARK, ESQUIMALT

BY CUSTODIAN I THINK. JUNE 1943 I HAVE NOT A LIST FROM THEM.

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

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: _____

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)
THIS INFORMATION IN HANDS OF CUSTODIAN _____

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: **DITTO** _____

9. LIFE INSURANCE: _____

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: _____

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: **IN CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE VICTORIA** _____

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 **15TH** day of **MARCH** 194**4**

(Signature) _____

St. Green
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Nov. 27/42

Our File No. 1426

Full Name TAKATA, Hayato
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10058

✓
Male - Female
(Check)

Age Mar. 5, 1881

Former Address P.O. Box 986, Victoria, B. C.

Date Evacuated 2/5/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check) ✓

Present Address

Camp No. 1

Red Bank Camp, Princeton, B. C.

(Feb. 3, 1945)

437 Bimack St. Toronto, Ont.

✓
Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Kimu

Name of Father David

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by B. McKim

Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Tea garden operator. Property - business premises

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Catalogue No. 579.

File No. 1426.

Name: Hayato (Harry) TAKATA.

Reg. No. 10058.

Address: McRae Avenue and Shelbourne Street, Saanich, B. C.

Legal Description: Lots 15 and 16 in Block 3 of Section 35, Victoria District,
Plan 1372, except the North 80 ft. thereof.

Classification: Vacant land.

Registered in the name of: HARRY TAKATA.

State of Title (No. 18639-I): Clear.

Sold to: THOMAS O. MacKAY for \$150.00 (Cash).

As at: April 13th, 1946.

Title (No. 163464-I) delivered to new Registered Owner on: July 5th, 1946.

Net proceeds (\$136.62) released to credit of Hayato (Harry) TAKATA on: June 19th, 1946.

Completed sales statement to Evacuee sent on: August 28th, 1946.

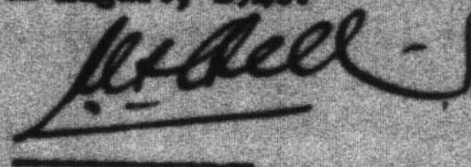
Chattels: Not involved.

Insurance: None.

Administration: This property consists of two vacant building lots, which remained non-revenue producing throughout our administration.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

28th August, 1946.



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MESSAGE TENURE PROPERTY

Catalogue No. —

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Kensuke TAKATA
Hayato TAKATA

Reg. Nos. 10097
10058

Address: Gorge Park, Victoria, B. C.

Legal Description: Land owned by B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd., Victoria, B. C.
Buildings owned by the above TAKATA brothers.

Classification: Japanese Tea Gardens and Recreation Park.

Registered in the name of: THE BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED.

State of Title: None.

Sold to: Sale value of all buildings (see over for list) destroyed by vandals.

Funds credited to Joint Account of Brothers: See "Chattels" below.

Chattels: A long list of Household Effects and Equipment was moved to The Willows (Mar. 29/43) and eventually (Dec. 18/44) sold by auction, the proceeds being credited to a Joint Account in the name of the two brothers.

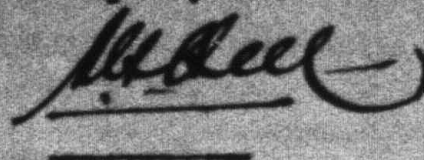
Many valuable shrubs and plants reported stolen. Remainder removed, with owner's consent, by a Mr. Bailey, Colwood, Island Highway, V. I.

Insurance: None.

Administration: With the evacuation of the Takata family the whole property deteriorated rapidly and as the only way in which the evacuee equity could be maintained would have been by maintenance of the Tea Gardens as such, the only practical course open to the Custodian was followed in the removal, and eventual sale, of everything salvageable.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

17th April, 1946.



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GENERAL SUMMARY

File 1424.

Hayato TAKATA

Reg. No. 10058.

21-year old Japanese National, operated (with his brother, File 1422) the famous Gorge Park Japanese Tea Garden and Recreation Park. He signed a Custodian "JP" Declaration Form on March 25th, 1942. This Evacuee is not married and apparently lived with his brother and latter's family.

The following is a summary of the contents of this file as disclosed by a review made today.

Real Property: See Real Property Summary for particulars of Spanish property, sold (Apr. 12/44) for \$150.00.

In addition to this Real Property, Hayato TAKATA, in partnership with his brother, Kenzo (File 1422), for many years operated extensive grounds in Gorge Park, under a long expired lease from the registered owners, the British Columbia Electric Power & Gas Company. All buildings were erected by these brothers but their sole value was destroyed by vandals subsequent to evacuation (see May 12/44 for situation at that date).

These buildings consisted of:

- (1) 7-room Bungalow (estimated by E. C. Minton as worth \$1000.00)
- (2) Cold storage shed
- (3) Tea Room with open dining room with "splendid view"
- (4) Large shed with dining room and dance hall
- (5) Supply shed
- (6) Stone house
- (7) Greenhouse.

Personal Property: See Chattels Summary for particulars of large inventory of household and personal effects and equipment.

Seized Articles: A General Electric radio, was released (Apr. 6/44) by R.C.M.P. to U. S. Security Commission for delivery to owner.

Bank Accounts: None.

War Bonds: Declared Victory Bonds (\$200.00) to be in his own possession. Not disturbed by Custodian.

Bank Accounts: Declared a balance of \$150.00 to be in an account with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Government Street, Victoria, which was not disturbed by Custodian.

Life Insurance: Declared policy for \$1,000.00 with Monarch Life (beneficiary, Estate) which was not disturbed.

Liabilities: See Liabilities Summary dated 17th April, 1946.

Notes: No Personal Account. Half share of Joint Account transferred to brother (File 1422) as requested Feb. 25/46 and Apr. 1/46.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

END.

17th *[Signature]*

MEMORANDUM

September 24, 1943.

TO: File No. 1426

FROM: Specified Articles Department.

Re: TAKATA Hayate, Reg. No. 10058

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
RADIO	General Electric 1941 model, Serial No. 698 Radio Lic. No. E.517797 issued to H. Takata for 1941-2	<i>GCMP # 59</i>

*6/4/44 Handed to BC Security Commission
D. M. Harrison
April 24, 1946*

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CHATELAIN SUMMARY

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Kensuke TAKATA.
Hayato TAKATA.

Reg. Nos. 10077.
10078.

Both the above brothers signed Custodian "JF" forms on the 20th March, 1942, and declared ownership of the "contents of buildings" on the property known as the Japanese Tea Gardens in Gorge Park.

In his report dated 21st April, 1942, (on File 1426) the Custodian's agent (H. G. Hinton) included an inventory of these Chattels, and of the many valuable shrubs, etc., in the garden.

With the departure of the Japanese, whose administration of the property received the unqualified praise of their landlords, the B. C. Electric Railway Company, proper protection of the equity represented by the buildings, contents and garden plants, appears to have been impossible and early in 1943 it was decided to remove the saleable contents of the buildings to The Willows for safe storage. A detailed list of everything so removed is on both files under date of 27th March, 1943. These chattels were included in the well advertised auction sale held at The Willows on the 18th December, 1944, the net proceeds constituting the funds in the Joint Account in the name of the two brothers. These funds are now being dealt with in accordance with the expressed wish of both parties.

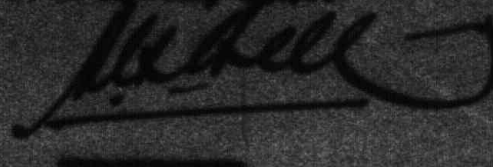
A piano, left under the care of a Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Stansell, was sold (August 29th, 1945) to them by direct negotiation with the owner.

Many valuable shrubs and plants appear to have been stolen, the remainder being removed, with owner's consent, by a Mr. Bailey, Colwood, Island Highway, V. I.

All buildings were progressively damaged by vandals until they became a fire hazard to the district and were eventually (May, 1944) demolished and removed by the land-owners, at their own expense.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

17th April, 1945.



HGH/v.

LIABILITIES SUMMARY

File 1426.

Hayato TAKATA.

Reg. No. 10096.

63.35 D. C. Electric Railway Company Ltd. Account - Nov. 26, 1942.
Paid December 10th, 1942.

There are no other claims recorded in this file.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

17th April, 1946.



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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 1426.

Hayato (Harry) TAKATA

Reg. No. 10058.

61-year old Japanese National, operated (with his brother, File 1422) the famous Gorge Park Japanese Tea Garden and Recreation Park. He signed a Custodian "JP" declaration form on March 28th, 1942. This Evacuee is not married and apparently lived with his brother and latter's family.

Real Property: See Real Property Summary, dated 28th August, 1946, for particulars of Seaside property (Cat. 879), sold (Apr. 13/46) for \$150.00 Cash.

Also see green-edged Summary, dated 17th April, 1946, for particulars of Messuage Tenure interest in Gorge Park Tea Gardens.

Liabilities: See Liabilities Summary, dated 17th April, 1946.

Personal Property: See Chattels Summary for particulars of large inventory of Household and Personal Effects and Equipment.

Specified Articles: A General Electric radio, was released (Apr. 6/44) by R. C. M. P. to B. C. Security Commission for delivery to owner.

Bills Receivable: None.

Bonds, Shares, etc.: Declared Victory Bonds (\$200.00) to be in his own possession, which were not disturbed by this office.

Bank Accounts: Declared a balance of \$150.00 to be in an account with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Government Street, Victoria, which was not disturbed by Custodian.

Life Insurance: Declared policy for \$1,000.00 with Monarch Life (beneficiary, Estate), which was not disturbed.

Funds: There is a balance of \$120.26 standing at the credit of this (Personal) account at the present time.

Half share of Joint Account transferred to brother (File 1422) as requested 25th February, 1946 and 1st April, 1946.

There is no other personal property interest in this file.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

28th August, 1946.

[Signature]

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18th April 1942.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary of State
and/or Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

re: Hayato Takata. Registration No. 10056.
re: Kensuke Takata. Registration No. 10057.
Custodian File Nos. 54 and 55

In accordance with your request dated the 1st April 1942, I have investigated and partially taken control of the following property as recorded similarly on the above registration forms both dated the 28th March 1942.

Real Property:

None. Gorge Park, Victoria, B. C.
Property owned by B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd.,
Victoria, B. C.

Buildings:

One seven-room bungalow and one small shed and two large tea rooms, dance hall, nine small summer houses owned by Hayato and Kensuke Takata, on above property.

In connection therewith I have to report as follows:

1. Location:

Gorge Park, Victoria, B. C., at terminus of No. 5 street car line.

2. Ownership:

The park is owned by the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd., Victoria, B. C. The buildings thereon were erected by Hayato and Kensuke Takata. The land was originally leased to these two; but this lease has long since expired. Notwithstanding this, and with the consent of the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd., the Takata brothers have continued to live on the premises and to operate a tea garden business. All the furniture, household effects, garden and carpenter tools, etc., in both dwelling and tea premises, are jointly owned by the Takata brothers.

3. Buildings:

The dwelling in which the Taketas live is a seven room bungalow. Its apparent age is about twenty-five years. It is a frame building, has a good roof and appears to have been well taken care of. The following is a description of the rooms, together with dimensions:

Dining Room	20' x 12'
Kitchen	12' x 12'
2 Bedrooms	15' x 15'
Bedroom	20' x 12'
Living Room	15' x 15'
Store Room	10' x 8'

The house is heated by a kitchen stove and a small stove in the dining room. There is no hot water boiler.

The approximate value is \$1,000.00, but this represents the house alone, as the land on which the house stands is, as stated, the property of the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. There is, adjacent to the dwelling, a small cabin and two small sheds.

Tea Garden Business:

The buildings erected for this purpose are all of frame construction and in each case of one floor only. They are classified as follows:

- (a) Cold storage hut.
- (b) Tee house with open dining room and kitchen, electric lighting and running water. (A splendid view of the Gorge water with an exceedingly well kept Oriental garden surrounds this house.)
- (c) A large hut containing a dining room and dance hall.
- (d) An unused empty hut.
- (e) A store house.
- (f) A greenhouse.

All the above are in good condition and are valued by the owners at approximately \$300.00.

4. Inventories, Household Furniture and Effects:

The following is an inventory of the household furniture prepared by my representative:

<u>Dwelling House:</u>	<u>Approximate Realizable Value</u>
1 Stove in dining room	\$ 5.00
1 Kitchen stove (wood burning)	50.00
Kitchen Utensils	10.00
1 Singer sewing machine	30.00
8 Chairs	5.00
6 Beds	30.00
2 Cedar chests	10.00
1 Set of silverware	20.00
2 Desks	5.00
1 Table	5.00
1 Box of books	20.00
200 Electric light bulbs	30.00
7 Dressers	25.00
1 Upright Heintzman Piano	150.00
	<u>\$ 395.00</u>

The above are to be left in the dwelling house on evacuation with the exception of the piano which will be stored at the caretaker's residence to prevent deterioration.

Tea Garden Business:

6 doz. Cups and saucers	\$ 12.00
8 doz. Large plates	20.00
5 doz. Small plates	5.00
3 doz. Sugar bowls	6.00
2 doz. Glass ice cream dishes	5.00
2 doz. Soup bowls	5.00
	<u>\$ 53.00</u>

The above are stored in the cold storage hut which has been locked and doors and windows barred. The key is in my possession.

1 National cash register	\$ 75.00
1 Large upright mirror 4' x 7'	30.00
1 Wall Mirror 4' x 7'	30.00
2 Show cases	15.00
5 doz. Paper lanterns	5.00
30 Paper windows (Japanese)	25.00
	<u>\$ 180.00</u>

The above are stored in the dining-room. The door is locked and windows boarded up. The key is in my possession.

4. Inventories, Household Furniture and Effects:

Tea Garden Business: (continued)

68 Chairs	
18 Bamboo Tea Tables }	
3 doz. Japanese lanterns	\$ 100.00
1 box Pots and pans	3.00
9 Paper windows (Japanese)	15.00
2 boxes Kitchen utensils	3.00
	20.00
	<u>\$ 141.00</u>

The above are stored in the dance hall.

1 barrel Peat moss	\$ 2.00
2 Garden hoses	5.00
1 Lawn mower	10.00
Ministure garden ornaments	5.00
4 rolls Roofing paper	6.00
2 Clamps	5.00
2 Jacks	15.00
	<u>\$ 48.00</u>

The above are in the store room.

NOTE. To the above must be added garden and carpenter tools when these are turned in on evacuation.

4 doz. Glasses	\$ 3.00
5 doz. Ice cream dishes	5.00
3 doz. Large jugs	5.00
3 doz. Small jugs	3.00
2 doz. Sugar bowls	3.00
10 doz. Cups and saucers	20.00
6 doz. Tea pots	10.00
8 doz. Plates	10.00
1 doz. Napkin holders	2.00
1 Large wood burning range	25.00
1 Metal soft drink container	5.00
	<u>\$ 91.00</u>

The above are stored in the Tea House kitchen. Doors and windows are barred and locked. Key is in my possession.

15 Picnic tables	\$ 25.00
1 Ice cream container	10.00
	<u>\$ 35.00</u>

The above are stored in the open air dining-room.

4. Inventories, Household Furniture and Effects:

Tee Garden Business: (continued)

A recapitulation of the above follows:

In dwelling house	\$ 395.00
In cold storage hut	53.00
In dining-room	180.00
In dance hall	141.00
In store room	48.00
In tee house kitchen	91.00
In open air dining-room	35.00
	<u>\$ 943.00</u>

In addition to the above there is also the garden previously mentioned. This consists of a large number of valuable shrubs, plants and trees, most of which have been imported from Japan. The estimated value of these by the owners is \$3,066.00, details of which are given below:

<u>Number of Plants</u>		<u>Price per Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
75	Azalea (large)	\$ 15.00	\$1,125.00
15	Wisteria (large)	25.00	375.00
3	Wisteria (small)	5.00	15.00
22	Juniper Procumbens (large)	10.00	220.00
15	Juniper Procumbens (small)	2.50	37.50
7	Juniper Shimpaku	10.00	70.00
6	Flowering Plum (large)	10.00	60.00
16	Flowering Plum (small)	1.00	16.00
11	Flowering Cherry (large)	8.00	88.00
14	Flowering Cherry (small)	1.50	21.00
5	Quince Japonica	5.00	25.00
19	Table Pine	15.00	285.00
6	Thuja Filifera (large)	15.00	90.00
3	Thuja Filifera (small)	2.00	6.00
4	Fatsia Japonica (like fig tree)	8.00	32.00
10	Sciadopytus	8.00	80.00
1	Cryptomeria Jindai-Sugi	5.00	5.00
1	Thuja Chinensis Chebo-Hiba	7.00	7.00
	Miniature Garden Shrubs	-	20.00
3	Beds of Shrubs (small)	-	40.00
1	Bed of Shrubs (by greenhouse)	-	20.00
7	Japanese Maple (large)	25.00	175.00
16	Japanese Maple (medium)	5.00	80.00
3	Nandine (large)	2.50	7.50
2	Nandine (small)	1.00	2.00
3	Red Berry Shrubs	2.50	7.50
4	Weeping Willow	5.00	20.00
1	Malus Floribunda (large)	20.00	20.00
2	Malus Floribunda (small)	3.75	7.50
1	Camellia Japonica	20.00	20.00
2	Rhododendron	5.00	10.00
2	Hydrangea (large)	4.00	8.00
1	Magnolia	5.00	5.00
30	Catonie Aster	.25	7.50
1	Tree Peony	6.00	6.00
5	Bushes of Bamboo	3.00	15.00
	Iris	-	15.00
	Water Lilies	-	7.50
	Lilies	-	7.50
1	Taxus (Yew)	-	10.00
			<u>\$3,066.00</u>

5. Insurance: Fire.

I am informed that the fire insurance carried on all these buildings expires on the 12th April 1942, and will not be renewed.

Insurance: Life.

I have not yet received information from the insurance companies with regard to the two policies of insurance in the Sun Life and Monarch Life.

6. Liabilities:

There appear to be no outstanding debts.

7. Recommendations:

The B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. claims ownership of the buildings as well as the shrubs, plants, etc., and does not appear willing to have the place run as a Tea Garden. *M*

I have been given to understand by Mr. A. T. Goward, Vice-President of the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd., that the above property and buildings are leased for \$50.00 per year to Mr. Harry W. Stencil of 856 Tillicum Road, Victoria, B. C., who is discharging the duties of caretaker of Gorge Park for the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. The Company apparently intends to allow the Takatas to return and resume their business should the Japanese ever be permitted on the Coast again. *9.4.42*

ON I recommend that the Company be asked to state their position in writing and that an understanding be obtained from the Company that they will make some provision for reimbursing the Takatas for the buildings and garden contents if they do not return.

Yours faithfully,

H. G. Hinton

HGH:LES

27th April 1942.

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

Attention Mr. C. L. DREWRY.

Dear Sir:

re: Hayato Takata. Registration No. 10056.
Kensuke Takata. Registration No. 10057.
My Files Nos. 54 and 55.

With reference to my report of 18th April 1942, the
above Japanese have now been evacuated and I have taken control
of their property.

Household Furniture and Effects:

Following the evacuation of these Japanese, I have
made a detailed inventory of the furnishings left in the dwelling
house, which is now locked and boarded up, the key being in my
possession, as follows:

	<u>Estimated Realizable Value</u>
<u>Living room:</u>	
1 Table lamp	\$ 2.00
1 Wall Mirror, 5' x 2'	10.00
1 Desk	2.00
3 Small tables	2.00
1 Cedar Chest	1.00
1 pr. Rubber boots	1.50
2 Chairs	1.00
1 Quebec heater #125	10.00
1 Rug (worn)	1.00
4 Lace curtains	1.00
<u>Bed room:</u>	
1 Iron double bed, frame only	5.00
1 Carpet (worn)	1.00
2 Rugs (worn)	.50
2 Lace curtains	.50
1 Small table	2.00
1 Table lamp	
<u>Bed room:</u>	
1 Bed, single	2.00
2 Mattresses	1.00
1 Wall mirror, 4' x 6'	5.00

Carried forward \$ 48.50

Household Furniture and Effects:

Bed room: (continued)

	Estimated Realizable Value
Brought forward	\$ 46.50
1 Dresser	
1 Small dresser	.50
1 Upright piano, old and dilapidated	.50
1 Chest of drawers	10.00
1 Small stove	4.00
4 Chairs	2.00
1 Wooden chest	2.00
4 Shelves books	1.00
	1.00

Bed room:

2 Beds, double, with mattresses	8.00
1 Dresser	3.00
1 Table	1.00
1 Shoe bench	.50
1 Trunk (empty)	2.00
1 Wall shelf	.50
4 Curtains - no value	-
2 Comforters (old)	.50

Bed room:

4 Chairs with leather covering	4.00
1 Box of books	1.00
1 Table	.50
1 Trunk filled with rags	2.00
1 Cupboard (detached)	2.00
2 Brooms	1.50
1 Mop	.25
1 Stepladder	

Kitchen:

Knives, forks and spoons in drawer	1.00
1 Kitchen stove (6 holes, Beach)	50.00
1 Kettle	1.50
6 Chairs	2.00
1 Table	3.00
1 Small table	1.00
1 Wall clock	4.00
1 Axe	.50
3 Pails	1.50
1 Linoleum	5.00
1 Pair curtains	.50

Dining room:

2 Beds, single, with springs and mattresses	20.00
1 Double bed, spring and mattress	8.00
1 Small coal and wood heater	3.00
2 Chairs with leather covering	2.00
1 Wooden box containing linen	20.00
4 Comforters	4.00
1 Large dining room table	5.00

Pantry:

Kitchen utensils	15.00
1 Large cupboard	5.00
Set of chinaware	8.00
1 Large tin tub	1.00

\$ 254.25

Household Furniture and Effects: (continued)

The above supersedes the list of household furniture totalling \$395.00 on Page 3 of my report of 18th April 1942.

I also hold an acknowledgment from Mrs. Harry W. Stencil of 856 Tillicum Road, Victoria, B. C., that the Takata brothers have left in her custody:

	<u>Value</u>
1 Heintzman & Co. upright piano	\$150.00
1 Singer sewing machine (pedal)	30.00

Additional garden implements have been added to those in the store house as follows:

	<u>Value</u>
3 Shovels	12.00
2 Picks	8.00
3 Axes	12.00
1 Pickax	5.00
1 Rake	3.00
2 Hoes	4.00
2 Wheelbarrows	10.00
	<hr/> \$ 54.00 <hr/>

Yours faithfully,

H. G. Hinton

HGH:IMS

T. O. MACKAY

PRESIDENT



PHONE:

EMPIRE-4523

A. C. S. PITTS

SECY-TREASURER

Rec'd	MAR 28 1946
File No.	1426
Ans.	
Referred	

REPRESENTING:

ROYAL EXCHANGE ASSURANCE, LONDON, ENG.
CANADIAN FIRE INSURANCE CO., WINNIPEG, MAN.
THE CANADIAN INDEMNITY CO.
EAGLE STAR INSURANCE CO., LTD., LONDON, ENG.
IMPERIAL INSURANCE OFFICE
SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON, ENG.
AETHA INSURANCE CO.
GREAT AMERICAN FIRE INSURANCE CO.

1214 BROAD STREET
(OPPOSITE THE COLONIST)

VICTORIA, B.C.

26th March 1946

The Custodian

Office of the Custodian

506 Royal Bank Building

Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

In connection with your Folder and list of Japanese property offered for sale, I hereby enclose my marked cheque for \$15.00 to cover 10% of my offer to purchase for \$150.00 in Sannich Parcel No. 879 Lots 15 & 16 Ex. N. 80ft Block 3 Sec 35 Map 1372 File No. 1426.

Will you please give this matter your due consideration and let me hear from you as soon as convenient. Beg to Remain,

Yours truly,

T. O. Mackay

PROPERTIES' SUSPENSE ACCOUNT

1436

April 3, 1946.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,
Robert Douglas, Mackay & Co., (Victoria) Ltd.,
1211 Third Street,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Catalogue No. 879
Hume Ave. & Shelburne St., Esquimaux
1938 13 & 14. Ex. B. 201. Rix. 1938 13. Mar. 1972

Further to our letter of March 25th we have to advise you that we are prepared to recommend the acceptance of your offer of \$100.00 for the above described property. Will you please forward to us a certified cheque for the balance of the purchase price, namely, \$135.00.

Kindly advise the full name, address and occupation of the person in whose name this property is to be registered and also state whether or not the proposed registered owner is a British Subject, using the enclosed form.

The necessary documents will then be prepared and forwarded to the Secretary of State at Ottawa, and if our recommendation is acted upon, they will be signed and returned.

After the documents have been registered a statement of adjustments of taxes, etc. will be prepared, including registration fees, and forwarded to you.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

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1 - Information Form.

1426.
Cat. No. 579.

April 15th, 1946.

Mr. Hayato (Harry) TAKATA,
Registration No. 10056,
437 Sunnyside Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots 15 and 16 in Block 3 of Section 35, Victoria
District, Plan 1372, except the South 40 feet
of the North 80 feet of said Lots, and except
the North 40 feet of said lots.

In conformity with the Dominion Government's policy
of liquidation the above property was included in a catalogue published
in the Spring of 1944 and was widely advertised for sale.

In spite of this publicity and the efforts of real
estate agents no acceptable bid was received until recently but we
have now received an offer of \$150.00, which is in line with the value
placed on the property by a qualified independent appraiser and is
therefore being forwarded to Ottawa for acceptance.

As soon as the final adjustments (taxes, etc.) that
are incidental to all sales of real property have been made a complete
statement of the transaction will be sent you, together with a statement
of your account showing the net proceeds passed to your credit, and
your current credit balance. In the meantime we would be obliged if you
would send us your Certificate of Title (No. 18639-I) and we enclose a
stamped addressed envelope for your convenience in doing so.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.
Encl.

STATEMENT RE SALE OF:

Name: **TAKATA, Hayato. #10058.**Catalogue No: **879.**File No: **1426.**Street Address: **McRae Ave. & Shelbourne, Saanich, B. C.**Legal Description: **15 & 16, Ex. 801/3/35/1372.**Date of Sale and Adjustments **April 13th, 1946.**

Sale Price

\$ 150.00~~Real Estate Agents Commission~~

\$

Charge for Valuation

5.00

Charge for Advertising

4.00

Land Registry Office Transmission Fee

2.50

Encumbrances:

~~Mortgage~~~~Mortgage~~~~Arrears of Taxes~~~~Other Charges~~

Adjustments:

~~Fire Insurance~~

Taxes

1.88~~Water~~**13.38****\$ 150.00**

Net Proceeds credited to your account

\$136.62Date:..... **August 28th, 1946.**Compiled by:.... **Mr. Geo. Peters.**

1426

July 5, 1946

REGISTERED A/R

Mr. Thomas O. Mackay
1214 Broad Street
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalog No. 579
McRae Ave. and Shelbourne St.
Seamich, B. C.
15 & 16/Ex. B. 80' 3/35/1772

Enclosed you will find Certificate of Title
No. 163464/I covering the above described property in
your name.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department

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ENCL: (1)
Certificate of Title

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
ADMINISTRATION DES POSTES
CANADA

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Objet recommandé

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Enregistré au bureau de poste de

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Adressé à

1214 Broad Street

AT VICTORIA, B. C.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT
EVACUATION SECTION

JUL 10 1948

Re'd
To be filled in by sender who will
indicate below his full address

File No. 1256
A complete record will be
maintained

Referred



RETURN TO The
Retourner à

Enemy Property
506 Royal Bank Building

STREET AND NUMBER
Rue et numéro VANCOUVER (1426-hbe)

(1) PLACE OF ORIGIN OF REGISTERED ARTICLE
Lieu d'origine de l'objet recommandé

(1) IN PRINTED CHARACTERS
En lettres minuscules

CANADA

June 19, 1946

Catalog No. 879
File No. 1426
McRae Avenue and Shelbourne Street, Saanich, B. C.
15 & 16/3/35/Victoria Dist./1372/Ex. 80 ft.

Control of the above described property is by my hereby
acknowledged and I agree that all adjustments and inci-
dents in connection with the sale to me of this property
have been settled.

Dated at Victoria B.C. this 21st day of June 1946.

Thomas Otto Mackay
Registration No 242.

RETURN TO CUSTODIAN
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Catalog No. 879
File No. 1426
Hollis Avenue and Shelbourne Street, Saanich, B. C.
19316/3/35/Victoria Dist./1972/Ex.80 ft.

June 19, 1946

Thomas O. Mackay
(purchaser)

In account with The Custodian of Enemy Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS
(As at April 13, 1946)

	DEBIT	CREDIT
Purchase Price	\$150.00	
Cheques received		\$150.00
Registration fees on deed - \$150.00	4.30	
Seller's proportion of taxes paid, 1946 - 102/365 x \$6.74		1.88
Balance owing by purchaser		2.42
	<u>\$154.30</u>	<u>\$154.30</u>

Balance owing by purchaser - \$2.42

Defense and International Affairs

THE CUSTODIAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
VICTORIA BLDG., 7 O'CONNOR STREET
OTTAWA, CANADA
Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B. C.

THE CUSTODIAN
REGULATIONS RESPECTING
TRADING WITH THE ENEMY (1939)

FORM "D"

Ref. No.
From the ~~Research Life~~ Insurance
Company
Date of Discovery
April 7, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
APR 21 1942

Particulars of Life Insurance Policies and Annuity Contracts on Life of an Enemy

N.B. Separate forms should be used for each policy
or annuity contract for each "enemy."

Policy No.	P93566	Date of Policy (i.e. due date of first regular premium)	July 20, 1937
Life Insured - Name	Hayato Takata	Plan of Policy	10-year Endowment
Born	Japan, March 5, 1881	Sum Assured or	5-year dividend
Address	Box 986, Victoria, B. C.	Amount of Annuity	\$1,000
Owner - if third party insurance - Name		Premium - Amount	\$111.90
Address		How Payable	annually
		Due Dates	July 20
Beneficiaries - Names	Estate	Policy Loans (automatic or otherwise)	Nil
Addresses		Approximate Cash Value, if any, including basis 5 premiums paid, dividends, after deducting all policy indebtedness	\$414.
Relationship to Life Insured		Nature of Automatic Non-forfeiture Provision	Automatic premium loan
Record of Current Assignments (other than to company for policy loan)	Nil	Approximate Cancellation Date under Automatic Non-forfeiture	Not before maturity date of July 20, 1947.
- give names and addresses -			

Special Notes:

Request for this information came from George A. Touche & Co., Bank of Toronto Bldg., Victoria, in a letter dated April 7th. This form is being filed in duplicate, and presumably you will supply George A. Touche & Co. with the duplicate copy to give them the information they have requested.

Please advise if this policyholder must now be treated as an enemy and all future transactions referred to your office.

M. Wilson

BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO., LTD.

HASTINGS AND CARRALL STREETS

VANCOUVER, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
Is Your Name Here To W. & B.

29th May, 1942.

File RE-20

Mr. G. L. Drewry,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings and Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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MAY 30 1942

Attention Mr. G. D. Wilson

Dear Sir:-

Re: Hayato Takata and Kensuke Takata

With reference to your letter of 5th May, 1942, your file No. 1426, and my previous conversation with Mr. Wilson, my Company's position is as follows.

There is at present a caretaker, Mr. Harry W. Stancil of 856 Tillicum Road, Victoria, B.C. who has leased the property and buildings formerly operated by the Japanese named above as a Japanese Tea Garden. The lease is a nominal one at \$50.00 per year and really means that Mr. Stancil and his wife undertake to be caretakers of the buildings and gardens in return for free rent. This arrangement was made by the Japanese themselves and agreed to by us. The lease is on an annual basis but we have no intention of terminating it and therefore the buildings and property should have reasonable care until the end of the war. At that time, providing there is no restrictive legislation, my Company would give Hayato Takata and Kensuke Takata the first right again to operate the Tea Garden at Gorge Park.

We do not undertake to reimburse the Takatas for the buildings and garden contents if they do not return at the end of the war. They have for many years leased our property at Gorge Park at a merely nominal rental. The Tea Garden they have developed is of no value to us because it is extremely difficult to get reliable persons to operate it efficiently. Our position is therefore that we shall do our best to give the Takatas the opportunity to return to the property and operate it at the end of the war. We cannot, of course, predict what conditions there will be at the end of the war, but with that qualification the Takatas can rest assured that we shall deal very sympathetically with any desire of theirs to return to the property.

Yours truly,

A. E. Grauer.

A. E. Grauer,
General Secretary.

AEG/L

1426
→ *H. Gibson*
Camp No. 1
Hope-Princeton Road
Princeton, B.C.
October 4th 1942
Draft

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

Dear Sir:

ATTENTION MR P. DOUET

I have your letter of October 1st to hand, for which I thank you.

I would very much like to place \$2000.00 worth of insurance on my property at Gorge Park, Victoria. While I value same at a much greater figure this all the insurance that I would care to take out at this time. If you could advise me as to what the rates would be for this amount of insurance I would be only too glad to forward this amount to you and have you handle the details.

With reference to the sale of Japanese Lanterns that you mention in your letter: I do not wish to dispose of any of these lanterns and ask that you so advise any interested parties.

Trusting that I shall receive the favour of an early reply stating the amount required to place the above insurance, I am,

Yours very truly,

H. Takata

H. Takata

dealt with

MEMORANDUM

[Handwritten signature]

January 14, 1943.

File Nos. 1422 and 1423

To: Mr. Alexander

From: Administration Department.

Re: Japanese and Japanese TARIFFS

Japanese Tax Exemption, Japanese TARIFFS

With reference to our conversation last week, when I was in Victoria B.C. Pope took me out to Gorge Park and I went around the grounds and looked at the various buildings with him. The actual position is that the B.C. Electric have very friendly with the Japanese in whom they leased this property at a monthly nominal rent of \$30.00 per year, and in their letter of the 29th of May 1942, the B.C.E.R. have assured us that they will deal very sympathetically with any desire of the Japanese to return to their property when the war is over if these people are allowed to do so.

In the meantime, the present caretaker and his wife, people of the name of Stencil, lease the property and buildings formerly operated by the Japanese at \$30.00 per year, which really means that these people undertake to be caretakers in return for free rent. They live in quite a nice little house at the entrance to the Gardens. The lease is on an annual basis, but the B.C.E.R. advise that they have no intention of terminating it and therefore they state the buildings and property should have reasonable care until the end of the war.

I would like to point out that but for the extreme care that British office has taken in not only boarding up the buildings but putting corrugated iron over the windows, it is possible that quite a proportion of the four or five buildings would have been robbed by now, as the place is a large one open on all sides including a river frontage and already attempts have been made to break into the buildings. I was informed that two fires had been started on the premises by vandals but these were apparently put out.

On the 10th of November last Mr. Gibson wrote to the Japanese giving them the rate for Fire Insurance on their buildings etc. but up to date no reply has been received from them. Even if this was done, however, that would not offset burglary, and I understand the rate for this would be extremely high and probably not worth while. Col. Pope suggested that all the Japanese furniture, chattels etc. should be stored at the Willows (gunnery building), Victoria, without delay as no storage cost would be involved as they only charge a flat rate of \$10.00 per month for storage there. Removal cost would, of course, be an item, but it seems to me this would be much better than having the goods removed by thieves as is quite likely. There is nothing to prevent a lorry or two driving in one night and clearing out all the goods.

Alternatively, it is quite impossible for the Stencils to protect the property even in the daytime and although about nine or ten convicts

1426 and 1422

January 21, 1943.

Mr. H. G. Hinton,
Bank of Toronto Building,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kensuke and Hayato TAKATA
Japanese Tea Gardens, Gorge Park, Victoria.

With reference to the conversations the writer had with yourself and Col. Pope in connection with the above Tea Gardens, do you consider that if suitable tenants could be found to operate these gardens and obtain the necessary labour to put these into fair shape, that the B.C.E.R. would let us do this and thus not only protect the property but get some revenue from same?

It seems to the writer that possibly in view of the fact that there is not a great deal going on in Victoria for the troops and public generally, that these gardens might be run successfully provided, of course, that the necessary refreshments could be obtained. The first point, however, is to ascertain if the B.C.E.R. would agree; they would of course get revenue from their street cars which run to the tea gardens.

We do not know exactly how you could approach this matter to the B.C.E.R. but at any rate, before getting in touch with them we would like the benefit of your views. We should think that a week or two's work by gardeners would put the place in fairly good shape and this we take it would not present insuperable difficulties.

If, however, you are of the opinion that our suggestion is not practicable (you will appreciate that the writer was only in Victoria for a short time and does not know local conditions etc.), please do not hesitate to say so.

Alternatively, we feel with you that probably the best thing is to clear out all the chattels in the buildings and store same at the Willows, as suggested by Col. Pope.

It does seem to the writer that there are possibilities with the place and that the Military etc. might welcome such a proposition, as we understand there is a small dance floor there and music operated by a

GEORGE A. TOUCHE & Co.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

DONOVAN M. TOUCHE E. JAMES HENRY
JOHN FANTON GEORGE L. C. TOUCHE
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MINNEAPOLIS, LOS ANGELES.

VACATION SECT.
JAN 25 1943
1426 77422
Referred *[Signature]*

BANK OF TORONTO BUILDING,
VICTORIA, B.C.

23rd January 1943.

Refused
de rui conversation

P. Douet, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Your File Nos. 1426 and 1422

Dear Mr. Douet:

re Kensuke and Hayato Taketa
File Nos. 54 and 55

The question of reopening or subletting the Tea Gardens has already formed the subject of conversation and discussion with the B. C. Electric Railway Company Limited. The latter are not desirous of doing this; principally on account of the fact that the number of street cars available in Victoria is already inadequate to meet present requirements, due to war conditions. The circumstances are such, therefore, that your proposal cannot be entertained by the Company.

In view of the above, I see no alternative but to recommend that all the chattels belonging to these Japanese be removed, for safe keeping to Central Storage at the Willows; though you will appreciate the fact that such removal will be a costly matter. You will no doubt remember, however, that Mrs. Stancil stated that she feared that these effects might be stolen or set afire and that she had received threats to this effect.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

EWY:MHK

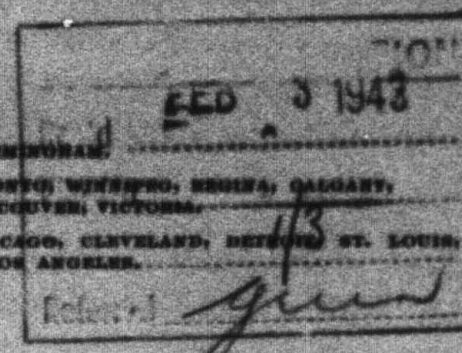
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 MINNEAPOLIS, LOS ANGELES



BANK OF TORONTO BUILDING,
VICTORIA, B.C.

2nd February 1943.

H. F. Green, Esq.,
 Protection Department,
 Office of the Custodian,
 506 Royal Bank Building,
 Vancouver, B. C.

Your File Nos. 1422 and 1426

Dear Sir:

re Hayato and Kensuke Takata
File Nos. 54 and 55

With reference to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I have had an estimate made of the cost of the removal to storage at the Willows of the property of the above named. I am informed that this will amount to between \$75.00 and \$100.00.

There is, in addition to a large quantity of household effects, a great deal of chinaware which was formerly used in connection with the tea gardens. This chinaware must be packed, which will necessitate a considerable amount of labour.

Another factor to be taken into consideration is the distance between the Gorge Park and the Willows which is approximately six miles.

A large van and two men will be required and it is expected that it will take at least two days for this removal.

Yours faithfully,

H. F. Green

EWP:MHK

1426

February 11th, 1943

Mr. Hayato TAKATA,
Registration No. 10058
Red Buck Camp,
Princeton, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

We have the following report to make to you and to your brother to whom we have sent a copy of this letter.

We are sorry to say that Mr. and Mrs. Stancil to whom you leased the Tea Gardens at Gorge Park and who are acting as your caretakers, are quite unable adequately to protect your buildings and equipment. They are doing what they can and our agents have boarded up the buildings, in some places using corrugated iron; nevertheless not only have plants been stolen from the gardens, but there is fear of thieves breaking and entering the various premises.

This state of affairs is attributable to the isolated position of the gardens, the high feelings that run in time of war, and the wave of crime which is admitted to be now prevalent. There have already been nine or ten convictions for the theft of plants but this still continues.

We have considered finding an operator for these gardens who would run them for the benefit of the troops and public in Victoria. Unfortunately, however, the B. C. Electric are not in favour of this move since the number of streetcars available in Victoria is already inadequate to meet present requirements and they do not wish to carry the further traffic the opening up of the gardens would involve.

Under these circumstances, we see no alternative to the removal of all your effects to safe storage. This will, however, be an expensive matter since there are many household effects and much chinaware to be packed, and a distance of six miles to be covered. Our agents estimate the cost at between Seventy-five and One Hundred Dollars.

Will both you and your brother write promptly to us on receipt of this letter and advise us of your wishes in this connection. We should most probably have to debit your account with the cost of moving involved and as we shall have

Mr. Hayato TAKATA

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February 11th, 1943

no funds for this purpose, it will facilitate matters if you can forward us the money.

Please be sure to consider this matter and reply promptly.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

Camp No. 1
Hope-Princeton Road
Princeton, B.C.
February 29th 1943

Dept. of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

CLERK SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 24 1943
File No.	1426
Ans.	H.K.
	Green

ATTENTION: H.F. Green

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 11th inst.

I have given this matter very careful consideration and feel that it would hardly be worthwhile spending any further money in an endeavour to protect my property, especially the plants. I think it best, for the present at least, to continue on the old basis.

I am writing Mr and Mrs Stancil requesting that they make every endeavour to further safeguard the plants and board up the buildings as best they can. In addition I may be able to make arrangements with friends to remove some of the plants to their own gardens for safe-keeping.

I appreciate your efforts to protect my property but feel that it would be a waste of money to remove any of my household effects to storage. Should, however, these thefts continue I might reconsider and arrange for storage. In the meantime I propose continuing on the old basis.

Yours very truly,

Hayato Takata
No. 10058

H. Takata

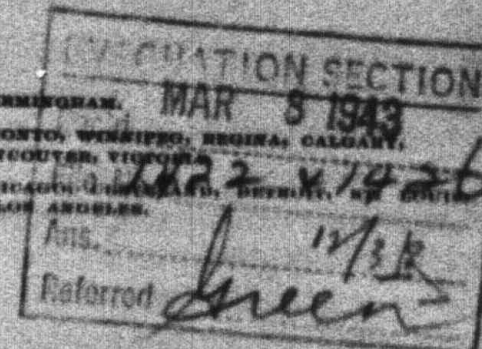
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BANK OF TORONTO BUILDING.
VICTORIA, B.C.

6th March 1943.

H. F. Green, Esq.,
 Protection Department,
 Office of the Custodian,
 506 Royal Bank Building,
 Vancouver, B. C.

Your File Nos. 1422 and 1426

Dear Sir:

re Kensuke and Hayato Takata - File Nos.
54 and 55

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th instant informing me that no expenditure will be incurred in moving the belongings of these Japanese from the Tea Rooms at the Gorge unless serious entering or breaking occurs.

I regret to advise you that this occurrence has actually happened. I was informed by the caretaker employed by the B. C. Electric Railway Company Limited that one day this week the premises were broken into. She could not tell me what was stolen, if anything, and I am waiting until the return to the office of my assistant, Colonel Pope, before advising you in detail.

I also noticed when reading the paper this morning that the Marine Drive Tea Gardens were broken into last night. This, of course, does not effect the Department but it shows that thieving is fairly prevalent.

I am of the opinion that the belongings of the Takatas should be removed to Central Storage. I shall be glad if you will reconsider the matter.

Yours faithfully,

H. F. Green

HGH:MHK

~~1427~~ 1426

March 12, 1943.

Mr. H. G. Hinton,
809 Bank of Toronto Building,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: TAKATA, Kensuke #10057,
TAKATA, Hayato #10058.

Thank you for yours of March 6th. from which we notice that further trouble with house-breaking is occurring on the premises belonging to these Japanese. Under these circumstances, and in view of your recommendation that their belongings be removed to central storage, we agree that you should put this in hand immediately.

Would you please let us know immediately this is done, together with the estimated value of the goods in order that we may arrange for extra insurance at the Willows.]

Yours truly,

H. F. Green,
Protection Department.

HFG:AS

My File No.:

54
55

Your File No.:

1422
1428

KENSUKE TAKATA - REGISTRATION NO. 10057
HAYATO TAKATA - REGISTRATION NO. 10058

INVENTORY OF GOODS REMOVED FROM JAPANESE TEA GARDENS, GORGE
TO CENTRAL STORAGE AT THE WILLOWS, VICTORIA, B. C.

Tea Garden Kitchen, Cold Storage Shed and Dining-Room:

1 Tub - 22 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Tub - 30 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Carton - 12 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Carton - 17 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Carton - 12 Assorted Tea Pots (3 odd lids)
1 Carton - 18 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Carton - 13 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Carton - 18 Assorted Tea Pots
1 Carton - 30 Glasses
1 Carton - 22 Assorted Jugs
1 Pail - 8 Dozen Assorted Saucers
1 Carton - 8 Dozen Assorted Saucers
1 Carton - 4 Dozen Assorted Cups
10 Assorted Jugs, 5 Glasses
1 Wooden Tray
3 Chopping Boards
1 Carton - 8 Dozen Assorted Saucers
1 Carton - 2 Dozen Plates, 9 Glass Dishes
27 Assorted Saucers
1 Carton - 2 Dozen Plates and Some Odds and Ends
1 Boiler - 1 Tin Spoons, Set Scales
1 Box Spoons and Fry Pan, Etc.
2 Cutlery Boxes
1 Carton - 12 Dozen Cream Jugs
8 Dozen Butter Saucers
5 Sugar Bowls
1 Salt Shaker
1 Box Tea Pot Lids
32 Dozen Jelly Jars
4 Dozen Cups
1 Carton - 61 Assorted Plates
16 Fruit Dishes
5 White Dishes
6 Butter Dishes
6 Saucers
1 Carton - 20 Sugar Bowls
3 Cups
4 Dozen Saucers
11 White Bowls
1 Carton - 72 Dozen Cups
1 Punch Bowl
1 Bean Jar
1 Dozen Saucers
1 Carton - Tin Ware
1 Carton - 50 Assorted Saucers
1 Carton - 12 Sugar Bowls
32 Cream Jugs
4 Tumblers
1 Carton - Light Globes
1 Carton - 3 Dozen Plates
1 Carton - 4 Dozen Plates
6 Saucers
1 Dozen Soup Bowls
1 Carton - 3 Bean Jars
1 Stone Crook
3 Glass Jars
4 Jelly Jars

Ten Garden Kitchen, Cold Storage Shed and Dining-Room:

- 1 Carton - Lamp Shades
- 1 Carton - 1 Box Bells
- 4 Plates
- 2 Cash Boxes
- 18 Kitchen Table
- 17 ~~Bamboo Tea Tables~~
- 7 ~~Chair Cushions~~
- 70 ~~Bamboo Chairs~~
- 6 ~~Leather Seated Dining Chairs~~
- 1 ~~Round Dining Table~~
- 1 ~~Large Mirror on Stand~~
- 40 Paper Window Screens
- 5 ~~Dining Table Leaves~~
- 1 Carton Paper Table Napkins
- 1 Carton Paper Lanterns (paper)
- 1 Wooden Box Lanterns
- 3 Cardboard Lanterns
- 12 Wooden Trays
- 1 Postcard Rack
- 2 Glass Show Cases
- 2 Paper Umbrellas and Stands
- 3 Large Tin Trays
- 2 Small Kitchen Tables
- 1 Small Glass Show Case
- 1 Water Cooler and Jar
- 1 Galvanized Pail
- 3 Rubber Floor Cleaners
- 1 Push Broom
- 1 ~~Cash Register~~
- 1 ~~Tent~~
- 3 Wooden Boxes Effects
- 1 Wooden Box Coffee Percolator
- 1 Large Wall Mirror
- 1 Soft Drink Cooler
- 1 Kitchen Chair
- 1 Wooden Ice Box
- 1 Ice Cream Container
- 2 Round Mouth Shovels
- 1 Hole Digger
- 1 Buck Saw
- 2 Stove Hammers
- 2 Pevies
- 2 Mattocks
- 1 Freight Truck
- 1 Square Mouth Shovel
- 1 Garden Rake
- 1 Pair Logger Boots
- 3 ~~Boxes Flower Pots~~
- 2 Wooden Boxes Light Bulbs
- 2 Pictures with Glass
- 3 Axes
- 1 Brush Hook
- 1 Stove Hammer
- 1 Pair Pruning Shears
- 1 Carton Books
- 1 ~~Carton Small Garden Tools~~
- 1 Counter
- 1 Case Lanterns
- 1 Tennis Net
- 1 Case Effects
- 2 Cases Pottery
- 1 Trunk Miscellaneous
- 1 ~~Box Dishes~~
- 1 Box Lanterns (paper)
- 1 Ice Cream Freezer
- 1 Bundle Tent Pegs
- 1 Tub Effects
- 1 Child's Wheelbarrow
- 3 Tubs and Sprinklers
- 1 Galvanized Pail
- 1 Box Hardware and Fish Nets
- 2 Cartons Cake Pans

Tea Garden Kitchen, Cold Storage Shed and Dining-Room:

- 2 Glass Windows
- 1 Tin Can Effects
- 1 Box Glass Jars and Effects
- 1 Carton Tumblers
- 1 Box Tumblers
- 3 Barrels of Effects
- 4 Hoes
- 2 Picks
- 1 Wood Vise
- 1 Fork
- 1 Barrel of Pent
- 1 Carton of Decorations
- ~~25 Wooden Boxes of Light Bulbs~~
- 1 Carton of Light Bulbs
- 1 Cupboard of Trays
- ~~1 Canvas~~
- 1 Extension Chimney
- ~~15 Tube of Glassware~~
- 2 Paper Barrels of Lanterns (paper)
- 1 Box Fish Pond Fixtures
- 1 Tin Can Effects
- 1 Carton Wooden Balls
- 1 Box Effects
- 1 Home Made Spinning Wheel
- ~~15 Small Mirror~~
- 1 Box Books
- 1 New Stove Water Front
- ~~15 Tub of Tools~~
- ~~2 Axes~~
- ~~15 Shovel~~
- 1 Sythe
- 2 Window Cleaning Tools
- 1 Sign
- 1 Stove Hammer
- ~~15 Screw Jack~~
- 1 Barrel of Wringers
- 1 Post Hole Bar
- 1 Post Hole Shovel
- 1 Wicker Basket Ornaments
- 1 Wooden Box Effects
- 1 Child's Sleigh
- ~~15 Cash Register~~
- 1 Child's Wooden Bed (less spring and mattress)
- ~~15 Lawn Mower~~
- 1 Child's High Chair
- 1 Steel Pot and Cover
- ~~15 Steel Single Bed (less spring and mattress)~~
- 1 Paper Roller
- ~~25 Wheelbarrows~~
- 2 Benches
- 2 Crosscut Saws
- 2 Wooden Mallets
- Several Lengths of Stove Pipe
- 4 Seives
- .. 1 Air Light Heater
- ~~3 Bladders~~
- 1 Desk
- 2 Bamboo Tables
- 1 Wicker Basket Books
- 1 Book Shelf
- ~~25 Tool Chests~~
- 2 Metal Chairs
- 1 Screen on Stand
- 1 Cardboard Barrel Sporting Goods
- 1 Garden Rake
- 1 Set Steps
- 1 Doll Carriage
- 1 Child's Sleigh
- 1 Sleeve Ironing Board
- ~~15 Heater (Quebec)~~
- ~~15 Chest of Drawers~~
- ~~15 Trunk~~
- 1 Hall Tree

Tea Garden Kitchen, Cold Storage Shed and Dining-Room:

2 Double Beds
~~15 Table~~
 1 Bamboo Book Shelf
 1 Bench
~~1 Heater (Quebec)~~
 1 Glass Case
 7 Wooden Trays
 1 Box Jars
~~15 Box Glass (liquor)~~
 1 Carton Jelly Jars
 1 Nest Wooden Boxes
~~15 Box Dishes~~
~~15 Metal Dishes~~
~~15 Barrel Glassware~~
 1 Barrel Effects
~~15 Large Mirror~~
 4 Pictures with Glass
 1 Package Pictures
~~15 Piano~~
~~35 Mattresses~~
~~25 Single Beds (metal)~~
 1 Double Bed Spring
 1 Case Effects
~~25 Cedar Chests Effects~~
~~25 Cases Pots and Pans~~
 2 Cartons from Pantry of Odds and Ends
 1 Stove Board
 1 Corner Table
 6 Leather Seated Dining Chairs
 6 Kitchen Chairs
 1 Small Kitchen Table
 1 Glass Front Case of Books
~~15 Set of Pots and Pans~~
 3 Small Plant Tables
 1 Dining Table (round)
 1 Double Bed (metal)
 1 Carton of Lamps
 1 Carton of Lamp Shades
 1 Bed Side Table
 1 Butterfly Net
 2 Cane Bottom Chairs
 1 Cedar Wardrobe
~~1 Writing Desk~~
 1 Bamboo Wall Rack
 1 Wicker Basket
 1 Carton Postcards
 1 Step Ladder
 2 Small Suitcases
 6 Cartons Effects and Books
~~15 Piano Steel~~
 1 Chair
 3 Kitchen Chairs
 1 Foot Stool
 3 Galvanized Pails
 1 Box Wicker Baskets
 2 Tennis Racquets
 1 Umbrella Stand
~~15 Dresser~~
 1 Washstand
~~15 Sheet of Drawers~~
 2 Single Mattresses
 3 Cushions
 1 Folding Single Bed
 1 Single Bed Complete
 1 Wooden Floor Lamp
 1 Carton of Games
 2 Pairs of Rubber Boots
 1 Platform Scale (counter)
~~15 Barrel Dishes~~
 1 Tin of Dishes
 1 Carton of Odds and Ends
 1 Wooden Box Books
 8 Table Leaves

Tea Garden Kitchen, Cold Storage Shed and Dining Room:

- 1. Game in Carton
- 1 ~~5~~ Carpenter's Square and Saw
- 1. Baking Board
- 1 ~~6~~ ~~Frank Effects~~
- 1 ~~5~~ ~~Box Stove~~
- 1. Dining Table (square)
- 1 ~~6~~ ~~Kitchen Range~~
- 1. Dust Mop
- 1. Axe (small)
- 1. Large Kettle Filled with Pans
- 1. Tin Bread Box
- 1. Carton of Pans
- 2. Step Ladders
- 1. Suit Case (small)
- 1 ~~5~~ ~~Large Wall Mirror~~

Notes: All fruit and jam destroyed by frost and left in house.

One piano left in custody of Mr. Stancil,
B. C. Electric Railway Company Limited
caretaker, Gorge. This is with the
approval of the Takata Brothers. //

*3. sold by auction 18/2 in
Victoria 1.*

COPY FOR FILE 1426

GEORGE A. TOUCHE & CO.

Copy for:

Mr. H. F. Green

Bank of Toronto Building,

VICTORIA, B. C.

6th May 1943.

G. M. Tripp, Esq.,
General Superintendent,
B. C. Electric Railway Company Limited,
Fort and Langley Streets,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Kensuke and Hayate Takata - Files No. 54 and 55

In reply to your letter of the 3rd May I wish to confirm the fact that all the personal belongings of the above named Japanese (with the exception of a piano in the possession of Mrs. Stancil, your caretaker) were removed and placed in Central Storage. The only articles remaining are certain outside tables and benches which on account of their bulk and dilapidated state could not be moved without undue expense to the public.

I might add that Mrs. Stancil further informs me that many of the doors of the buildings have been torn from their hinges and much disorder has been created within by vandals.

Beyond the tables and benches mentioned above you are aware, no doubt, of the fact that most of the plants which were valued at \$3,066.00 have been stolen. As many as possible of these have been removed for safe keeping to Mrs. Stancil's house.

Yours faithfully,

"H. G. Hinton

EWP:MHK

Custodian File Nos. 1422 and 1426

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

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EXHIBIT REPORT

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No. Vancouver

DIVISION and File No.
J.R. No. 10058

DETACHMENT and File No. C.I.B.

DATE April 6th. 1944

Re: Hayato TAKATA - a/o J.R. Wilford R.R. # 1 Irlington,
March 2nd. 1942 (Name of File)
On I P. R. Jefferson C.I.B. (Member's Name)
(Date)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by R.C.M. Police - Victoria, B. C.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

NO. OF EXHIBIT	NO. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		General Electric Radio 1941 Model, serial no. 698.
			Mr F.G. Shears, A/C Director, Office of Custodian, 506 Royal Bank Bldg. Vancouver, BC
			FORWARDED. Copies for your information.
			SGD Supt. (C.K. Gray) Officer Commanding "E" Division
			Vancouver. 12-4-44. FRJ/s
			File 1426

REMARKS:

Handed over to the H. C. Security Commission.

(State briefly disposition)

DATE April 6th. 1944

CERTIFIED CORRECT

[Signature] *[Signature]*
Sgt. W. J. Brown, C.I.B. P. R. Jefferson, C.I.B. No. 10058 C.I.B.

MR. HILL

MEMORANDUM

Files: 1422 and 1426

May 11th, 1944.

From: Administration Department

To: Kensuke and Hayato TAKATA
Japanese Tea Gardens, Gorge Park, Victoria

While at Victoria last weekend I took the opportunity of looking over the place as I had previously put in a report on these premises when at Victoria in January 1943. (See report dated Jan. 18, 1943).

All the chattels were removed early in 1943 from the various buildings and I was informed by Mrs. Stanell, who rents from the B. C. Electric Railway Company the small house adjoining the Tea Gardens, that a large number of the Japanese small trees, shrubs, etc., were removed by Mr. [redacted] at the request of the Takata brothers, and apparently these are still in the possession of the above. The file already shows that the majority of the plants were stolen (apart from those taken care of by Mr. [redacted]).

Mrs. Stanell has a piano belonging to Miss Takata and she would like to have this removed, and in view of her friendship with Miss Takata I am writing on behalf of Mr. Hill a letter to Miss Takata re this piano.

While a year ago, as pointed out, the premises might have been run again as Tea Gardens had the B. C. Electric been willing, which they were not, the position today is that the place is just a wreck. Practically everything of value has been removed, doors broken down, electric wires cut, and in many cases removed—in fact the place has been ravaged and wanton destruction has taken place all over the premises. Several buildings would require considerable repairs to put them into shape, but this is of course a matter for the B. C. Electric Company, who own the lots and the buildings. Curiously, the Vice-President of the B. C. Electric, Victoria, was in the office on Tuesday morning when I returned and to our surprise he now states they would have been glad to have rented the premises all this time in order to protect the property. Previously we understood they did not wish to open the gardens when the Japanese left as they did not wish to encourage traffic on their street cars which run out to the Gorge.

I suggested that failing finding a suitable party to run the Tea Gardens again the best thing they could do would be to put a high fence around the property as it seems to me quite likely that one of these days, especially during school holidays, the many wooden buildings might be set on fire and partially or totally destroyed. However, as mentioned above, this is a matter for the B. C. Electric and not for us.

As the Japanese rented the land from the B. C. Electric presumably we are not responsible for the loss of plants and shrubs, which Hinton estimated at over \$5000.00.

PD/ER

[Signature]
P. Doust.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO., LTD.

FORT AND LANGLEY STREETS

VICTORIA, B. C.

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

May 12th, 1944.

R. G. Bell, Esq.,
Canadian Government Custodian's Office,
506 Royal Bank Building,
675 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 13 1944
File No.	1422 & 1426
Ans.	
Referred	Bell

Dear Mr. Bell,

Further in reference to talk I had with you
last Tuesday.

I now enclose copy of report from our
engineering department covering the condition of the
Japanese tea garden at the Gorge Park.

As I explained to you, I think the place
should be cleaned up as I think the debris of broken
buildings will constitute a serious fire hazard during the
coming dry weather.

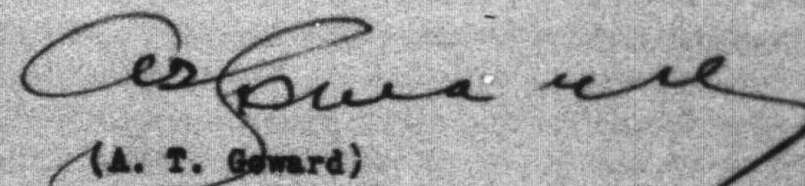
Something was said at our meeting regarding
leasing the garden. I think this would be quite
satisfactory, provided we could find suitable people to
take over the same. Over here we have not been very
successful in this regard.

In any event, a considerable amount of cleaning
up should be done and with but little loss of time.

Anything which you have to suggest I shall be
very pleased to consider.

Hoping to hear from you in due course.

Yours very truly,


(A. T. Goward)
Vice-President.

Encl.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED
Victoria Branch

Conditions at Japanese Tea Garden, Gorge Park

Fence around gardens - 50% fallen.

Wisteria trellis - north end gardens, demolished.

Three summer houses - north end of gardens, completely demolished.

Open tea room - 20 x 40, railing gone, furniture broken. Kitchen attached 22 x 10, doors and windows broken in, wiring out, shelves broken, shingles off roof.

Refrigerator room - 12 x 8 - o.k.

House west of tea room - 40 x 18, enclosed tea room doors and windows smashed, wiring and light fixtures stolen.

Ball game house - 20 x 17, front torn off, game tables destroyed, all shingles removed from roof.

Bird House - pushed over, wire screen stolen.

Open tea booths - one collapsed, two o.k.

Gardens - small plants all gone, flowering cherry destroyed.

Furniture - swings, tables, benches - broken and scattered.

Green House - 20 x 24 - completely collapsed.

Storehouse - at end road - 20 x 22 - door broken off, inside shambles.

Living Quarters - main house - 18 x 51 - doors and windows all broken from frames. Inside, scattered with trash of all kinds.

- small house - 12 x 18 - doors and windows broken.

chicken house, woodshed, bath-house, and other small buildings and sheds - no great damage.

Store house - west of living quarters - 30 x 17 - much of galvanized iron removed by Japanese before leaving to cover windows of other buildings.

The following chattels were sold by public

on December 18, 1964.

Carried forward

NAME TAKATA, Kensuke
TAKATA, Hayato

REGISTRATION NO. 10057
10058

FILE NO. 1422
1426

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Victoria, B. C. on December 18, 1944.

	Brought forward	\$ 206.00
- Contents house, glasses etc.		1.25
- Lot dishes etc.		6.00
- Dishes		15.00
- Plates		4.00
- Dishes		3.50
- Tins		7.00
- Dishes etc.		7.00
- Cups and saucers		18.00
- Tins		7.50
- Cups and saucers etc.		15.00
- Glasses		4.00
- Jugs		6.00
- Flower pots etc.		4.00
- Contents trunk etc.		6.00
- 2 Ice boxes		1.00
- Lot garden tools		6.50
- Chest drawers, tables etc.		11.00
- 2 Cash registers etc.		27.00
- Heater		2.50
- Kitchen range		6.00
- Box stove		4.00
- 4 Saw cases		3.50
- 2 Chest drawers		10.00
- Desk and shelves		8.00
- 2 Washbasins and trunk		6.50
- Boiler		17.00
- Mirror and shades		4.50
Total		
	Carried forward	\$ 417.75
Less expenses:		
Net proceeds - \$417.75		
Amount of cash paid for expenses.		
Amount of cash received for net proceeds.		
Balance		

NAME TAKATA, Kensuke
TAKATA, Hayato

REGISTRATION NO. 10097
10098

FILE NO. 1222
1226

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Victoria, B. C. on December 18, 1944.

	Brought forward	\$417.75
- Bed, spring and mattress		9.00
- 2 beds		15.00
- 1st bed, spring and mattress		3.00
- Piano and stool		65.00
- Bath		7.00
- Iron cover		4.00
- Luggage, trunks etc.		12.00
- Large mirror		15.00
- Bed, heater, trunk etc.		4.00
- 1st kitchenware etc.		3.00
- Glasses etc.		1.00
- Chest drawers, table and mirror		4.00

Total	(Auctioneer's Fees \$ 96.34	\$ 514.09
Less Expenses:	(Advertising 6.33	
	(Savings 22.24	\$ 485.52
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 485.52

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Victoria 1.

Remarks.

1426

Heating

March 1st, 1945.

Mr. Toyooki TAKATA,
Reg. No. 09997,
162 Melrose St.,
Mississauga, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt of your letter of February 18th is acknowledged dealing with the question of the piano left with Mr. Stancil.

You are not correct in saying that Mr. Stancil has not objected to storing the piano or if he has, you have not been informed. Our file shows that a member of our Administration Department advised your sister, Miss Toshiye Takata, on May 15th, 1944, after a trip to Victoria, that Mrs. Stancil would like the space occupied by your piano.

Until quite recently, our attitude was that effects left with friends must be disposed of in accordance with the Government's policy of liquidation on the grounds that the machinery was available for this liquidation and the market conditions favorable. We have recently, however, agreed to friends of evacuees temporarily holding their belongings although the Custodian always reserves the right to dispose of them should this be thought desirable. Under these circumstances, we will not for the time being at any rate, press for the disposal of this piano unless, of course, Mr. and Mrs. Stancil request definitely that it be removed.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

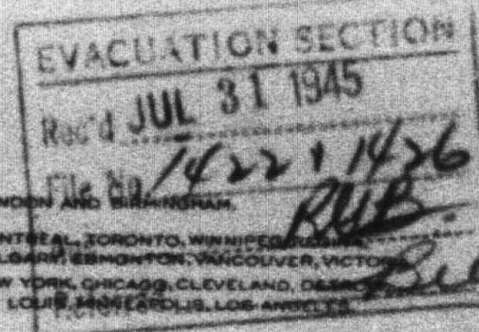
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BANK OF TORONTO BUILDING,
VICTORIA, B. C.

30th July 1945.

R. G. Bell, Esq.,
Protection Department,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Your File Nos. 1422 and 1426

Dear Sir:

Kensuke and Hayato Takata

With reference to your letter of the 11th December last and conversation with you on the occasion of your visit to Victoria on the 16th instant, information has now been received from Mrs. H. W. Stancil to the effect that Kensuke Takata wishes the piano sent to him in Toronto provided the transportation costs are not unduly high or, in the alternative, Mrs. Stancil may purchase same for \$100.00.

It has been ascertained that shipping costs will amount to \$60.00 and this information has been communicated to Takata. Your approval is requested to despatch this piano to Takata, if such is his wish, or to sell it to Mrs. Stancil in the event of Takata not desiring its shipment to Toronto.

Yours faithfully,

G. O. Compton

EWP:MHK

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 1 1946
File No.	1426
Ans.	
Referred	Bill

Harris Ranch
New Denver, B.C.
Feb. 15, 1946

Mr. R.G. Bell,
Office of Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been informed by my brother Kensuke Takata that our personal properties have been sold by public auction on December 18, 1944 at Victoria, B. C. I am very perturbed that such an action was taken without the consent of either party concerned, but since a rebuttal is, and would be of no avail I am writing to you to advise you of my decision regarding my half-share of the credit balance held in Joint Account 1422, 1426 in the names of Kensuke Takata and Hayato Takata.

My brother and I have agreed through correspondence that the credit of \$440.89 should be forwarded to Kensuke Takata Residing in Toronto. It is my plan to join him this spring.

This letter will be first forwarded to Kensuke Takata, who will then send it to you with further directions.

I hereby authorize you to withdraw my share of the credit held in Joint Account and send the same to

Kensuke Takata Reg. NO. 10057
437 Sumach St.
Toronto, Ont.

Yours truly

H. Takata

437 Sumach St.,
Toronto, Ontario
April 1, 1946.

Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville Sts.,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 5 1946
File No.	1426/1422
Ans.	
Referred	Bellman

Dear Sir:

Re: Proceeds from Auction Sale of
Chattels Possessed Jointly by
Hayato & Kansuke Takata

1422-Bell
1426-E. B.

On February 25, 1946, two letters, one signed by my brother, the other by myself, in regards to the disposal of the proceeds, were mailed in one envelope from Toronto. We requested that both my brother's and my share be remitted here. However, up to the present date, neither of us have received our share nor have we had any explanatory communication from you as to the delay.

At the time, I was residing at New Denver whereas my brother was living at the above address in Toronto. However, I arrived in Toronto on March 6 and have taken up residence with my brother and his family. Therefore it is in order to request the immediate remittance of both Kensuke Takata's and my share of the Four Hundred Forty Dollars and Eighty-nine Cents (\$440.89) held by you.

Trusting that this matter will receive your immediate attention, I am,

Yours truly,

H. Takata

18/4/46

1422: \$ - no %

1426: \$ - no %

1422/1426: \$ 440.89

1422.

April 19th, 1946.

REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Kenzuke TAKATA,
Registration No. 10057,
437 Sumner Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

As advised you yesterday both your half-interest and that of your brother have been transferred from the Joint Account in your names, to the Credit of your Personal Account, creating a credit balance in your name of \$440.89.

We note that you desire to have this balance remitted to you and in compliance with your request we enclose our cheque in your favour for \$440.89.

At the same time we avail ourselves of this opportunity to supply you with a brief resume of our administration of your affairs.

As you are aware, the policies in regard to the management and subsequent liquidation of your property were decided upon by the Government of Canada, and while the problem was a difficult one for all concerned, we can assure you that it has been the aim of this office to carry out these policies in as careful and fair a manner as possible.

Real Property You owned no Real Property (land) in the protected areas of British Columbia.

Personal Property You declared (March 28th, 1942) ownership, in partnership with your brother (Hayato TAKATA, Reg. No. 10056, File 1426), of the buildings situated on the property known as the Japanese Tea Gardens in Gorge Park, Victoria, together with the "contents of the buildings".

A proper inventory of the contents of the buildings was made by the Custodian's agent on the 21st April, 1942, and on the 29th March, 1943, these goods were removed by this office to central storage at The Willows as it was found impossible under war-time conditions to afford proper protection in such an isolated situation as the Gorge Park.

All goods stored at The Willows were sold at a large well-advertised public auction held there on the 18th December, 1944, the net proceeds realized for your goods being \$440.89, as per auction sheets sent you on the 21st June, 1945.

The removal by Mr. Bailey of Colwood, Island Highway, of a number of shrubs and plants put an end to the gradual loss of these garden plants from petty thieving. We wrote you to this effect on the 2nd June, 1944, adding that,

(Over)

April 19th, 1946.

unless we heard from you to the contrary, we would assume that Mr. Bailey's custody of the plants had your approval, and therefore would not be disturbed by this office.

We regret that no use could be found for the buildings and with their progressive deterioration, contributed to by the acts of vandals, who appear to have been frequent visitors to the Park at night, these buildings eventually became a fire hazard to the district, necessitating their demolition and removal by the land-owners, the D. C. Electric Railway Company.

In this connection we would here add that this office has taken all reasonable measures for the protection of personal goods, involving considerable expense in the employment of special staff for the purpose, but in spite of this breaking-in and vandalism has occurred from time to time. Burglary and theft are, of course, circumstances which sometimes happen to the most careful property owners, even when the owner is in residence and after taking every precaution against such possibilities.

The police have been made aware of the situation and anything recovered will be accounted for; and this letter will remain on our files indicating the facts regarding this matter and will be available for review at any future time.

Bonds, Shares, etc. You declared ownership of Victory Bonds (\$50.00), which you retained in your own possession.

Life Insurance You also retained in your possession, and under your own control, a Sun Life Insurance Company policy (No. 838382) for \$2,000.00.

Liabilities No claims have been recorded against you.

This completes our review of your file, and our report on the administration of your affairs as disclosed by the evidence therein, and to complete our records it would be appreciated if you would let us have, at your early convenience, your acknowledgment of both report and remittance. We enclose a stamped addressed envelope for your convenience in doing so.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RM/P.
Encl. 2.

437 Sumach St.
Toronto, Ont.
April 23, 1946

Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville Sts.
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 25 1946
File No.	1476
Ans.	RJB
Referred	Bill

and Peter

Dear Sir:

Re: Real Property of Hayato Takata in
Saanich, Vancouver, Island.

I am in receipt of your letter of April 15th regarding the disposal of my land. As I am anxious to avail myself with any sum realized in the liquidation of my properties, I trust that the transaction will be completed as soon as possible.

My title to the property is held by and registered with the Land Office in Victoria, B. C. Although I am not familiar with the proper procedure in releasing the Title of Certificate, I trust this this letter will enable you to obtain it.

Yours truly,

H. Takata

1426.

September 21st, 1946.

REGISTERED MAIL.

Mr. Hayato TAKATA,
Registration No. 10058,
437 Sunnyside Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant, requesting the remittance of the balance of your account.

This request has necessitated a review of your file and we give below a brief resume of our administration of your affairs.

As you know, the policies in regard to the management and subsequent liquidation of your property were decided upon by the Government of Canada, and while the problem was a difficult one for all concerned, we can assure you that it has been the aim of this office to carry out those policies in as careful and fair a manner as possible.

Real Property: The Real Property declared by you, consisting of 2 vacant lots in the Saanich district of Vancouver Island, (Cat. 879), was sold (Apr. 13/46) for \$150.00, as advised you at the time (Apr. 15/46), a complete statement of the transaction being mailed to you on August 28th, 1946.

Personal Property: You declared (March 28th, 1942) ownership, in partnership with your brother (Kensuke TAKATA, Reg. No. 10057, File 1422), of the buildings situated on the property known as the Japanese Tea Gardens in Gorge Park, Victoria, together with the "contents of the buildings".

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Specified Articles: A General Electric Radio turned in to the police was released by the latter for shipment to you through the Department of Labour, Japanese Division.

Bonds, Shares, etc.: Victory Bonds (\$200.00) declared by you remained in your possession and did not come under our administration.

Bank Accounts: You declared a balance of \$150.00 with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria, which was not disturbed and did not come under our administration.

Liabilities: The only claim registered against you, a B. C. Electric Railway account for \$5.35, was paid on December 10th, 1942.

Funds: There is a balance of \$120.26 standing at the credit of your account, and in compliance with your request, referred to at the beginning of this letter, we enclose our cheque in your favour for this amount. This will leave no balance in your account, which will therefore be closed.

This would appear to account for all property of every kind left by you in the protected area which vested in the Custodian, and in order that you may confirm this, we enclose a stamped addressed envelope for your convenience.

Yours truly,

R. G. Ball,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.
Encl. 2.

July 4th, 1949.

Mr. Hayato TAKATA,
Reg. No. 10058,
437 Sumach Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We wish to advise that on June 30th, 1949, we shipped to you prepaid, via Canadian Pacific Express, two parcels containing goods which were in our storage.

When said parcels are received by you, please acknowledge receipt of same for our records.

In the event that one or more items of any value do not belong to you, please communicate with this office by mail as the Custodian is closing out his storage warehouse in Vancouver. It may be that you will find some means of identification on examination of the contents and in that case we should be advised in your letter. You might also advise us at the same time whether unidentifiable items are of little or no value and would not justify further shipping charges.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Office of the Custodian.

WJJ/js

see letter dated July 9/49.

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUL 15 1949

File No. 1426

Ans. *[Signature]*

437 Sumach St.,
Toronto, Ont.
July 9th, 1949.

The Custodian's Office,
Department of the Secretary of State,
of Canada,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I am acknowledging receipt of two parcels sent by you,
via Canadian Pacific Express, which we have forwarded
to the rightful owner of the contents, Mrs. S. Kuwabara
of 77 Ferrie St. E., Hamilton.

Yours truly,

H. Takata

H. Takata