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Steveston Branch
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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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: TAGUCHI, Katsutaro

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 214, Steveston, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 03973 SEX: Male AGE: 49

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: B.C. Packers, Steveston, B.C. (formerly)

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kuni

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Wakayama Ken, Japan.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Kiyo (F), Takashi (M).

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Wakayama Ken, Japan.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 15, 9.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

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

None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

None

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

None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

None

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

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 3 roomed house- Star Cannery, Steveston, B.C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: B.C. Packers, Steveston, B.C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: Arranged with the Star Cannery, Steveston, B.C.
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) None
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: None

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

5 gill nets approx. value \$600.00	1 row boat
11 nets twine " " 20.00	1 fishing boat in custody of
trolling equipment " 2.00	the R.C.M.P., New Westminster,
lead (100 lbs.) " 5.00	B.C. approx. value \$1,200 -
1 oil stove " 5.00	31' x 7' Boat #1909 - Engine
carpenter's equipment 35.00	No. Ben Syd 15.
kitchen utensils " 20.00	<i>BENCID</i>
1 stove " 20.00	<i>Sold see 2/1/44</i>

Nets etc. to be left in Star Cannery,
Net house. Kitchen utensils, etc. to be left at 72 Chatham St.,
Steveston, B.C.

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS None
3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY. None

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: Household Furniture - Amt. of Policy \$300.00 - Premium \$12.00 paid every three years paid to 1943. Policy in owner's possession.

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

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) 2 Victory Bonds #H425442 - 1st loan 1941.- \$50.00. #H018594 - 2nd loan 1942 - \$50.00. 1 \$5.00 certificate War Savings Stamps all in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: \$80.70 Royal Bank of Canada, Steveston, B.C. \$325.25 Royal Bank of Canada, Vancouver, B.C. Main and Hastings Branch

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life Assurance Co., for \$1,000, Policy No. 2289127 Premium \$58.60 yearly. Beneficiary - wife Kuni Taguchi. Policy in owner's possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

REMARKS: 72 Chatham St is owned by T. Tsuchiya, who will deliver Key to Custodian upon evacuation.

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 2nd day of April 1942.

(Signature) Katsuro Taguchi

[Handwritten Signature]

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

1449
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

RETURNED TO JAPAN DATE May 17/43

S.S. GENERAL MEIGS

17th JUNE, 1946

Our File No. 1449

Full Name TAGUCHI, Katsutaro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 03973

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Oct. 28/1892

Former Address P.O. Box 214, Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated April 29/43 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Brunkild, Manitoba 847 Stella Ave.
9 Winnipeg, Man.

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife ^{nee} (SHINDE) Kuni (Japan)

Name of Husband _____

Name of Father Deceased

Name of Mother Japan

Names of Children under 16 Hiroshi(M) 15
Kiyo(F) 14 } In Japan

Requested by E.C.T. Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman

File Nos. 685 and 1001A
Copy for file 5149 - reference only

November 18, 1944.

CHATEL SUMMARY

Re: Tomotaro TSUCHIYA
Registration No. 94243

Re: Toshitanga NISHI
Registration No. 12074

Before evacuation Tomotaro TSUCHIYA declared chattels left in the protected area (see schedule). On June 30, 1942, the Custodian's agent removed to storage, from his house known as 72 Gatham Street, all the goods therein under the name of Toshitanga NISHI with the exception of four boxes, one cabinet, and one table which were removed under the name of Tomotaro TSUCHIYA (see schedule). A copy of this list was then forwarded to NISHI on December 12, 1942, and returned to this office signed by NISHI as being goods belonging to him.

Toshitanga NISHI is a brother-in-law of Tomotaro TSUCHIYA and lived in the same house which was owned by Tomotaro. It appears this family acted as a unit not only in making their declarations but also in the handling of their chattels. The file reveals NISHI acted as spokesman for Tomotaro, owing to the latter's poor command of English. In a letter dated December 11, 1942, NISHI revealed certain chattels belonging to him were stored in the attic of his house. These articles were not formerly declared by NISHI but it appears Tomotaro took some of these articles into consideration when he made his declaration.

A shipment of a record player and records was made by the Steveston Office on April 9, 1943, to NISHI at his request and it is noted these were declared by Tomotaro. A radio owned by Tomotaro was stored with the J.V. Kelly Piano Co. Ltd. in the name of NISHI. On November 3, 1944, Tomotaro requested this radio to be shipped to Mrs. Kiri NISHI at Niato Mines, B.C.

Mr. Thomas G. King, Custodian's agent in Steveston, placed Mrs. Grace Sturgeon in possession of this house on July 2, 1942. It is noted on the list of goods removed June 30, 1942, certain chattels were left in the house (see schedule). It was not until May 1943 that a list of chattels was signed for by the tenant, and the only articles signed for by her comprised of one wardrobe, one folding couch and one box heater. There is no record on file of these being removed by the Custodian, but in the auctions the wardrobe and box heater appear sold. A number of articles are missing and no explanation can be given.

There are some personal photographs and a small suitcase of personal goods stored in the Buddhist Temple at Steveston, B.C., which will be given to Tomotaro before he leaves for Japan.

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


George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

March 7, 1946.

Re: Katsutaro TAGUCHI
Reg. No. 03973

The following table is an extract from the *ledgers record books* received from the British Columbia Packers Co., Ltd., covering their Star Cannery Net House. The *Fish Col-*lectors were instructed to have the *Japanese* Fishermen enter into these ledgers the nets which were left by them in the Company Net Houses.

The original ledgers are in the hands of Mr. F. G. Shears.

No.	Fly.	Inch.	Deen.	Fathom.	Value.
27	4/40	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	300	45.00
28	4/40	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	300	125.00
29	4/40	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	100	25.00
30	5	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	400	100.00
31	4/40	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	300	125.00
32	5/40 6/40	7	50	400	175.00

(signed K. TAGUCHI)

hbc

J. S. Carter

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1449

February 11th, 1946.

RE: Katsutaro TAGUCHI, Reg. No. 03973

This file reveals that the above owned no real property
in any protected area in British Columbia.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the
information on file.
February 11th, 1946.
RBM:LEM

H. B. Mackenzie
H. B. Mackenzie

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 1449

February 11th, 1946.

RE: Saburo TAGUCHI, Reg. No. 03973

This file reveals no claims against the above named person.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the
information on file.
February 11th, 1946.
RBM:LN

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1449

February 11th, 1946.

RE: Katsutaro TAGUCHI, Reg. No. 03973

CHATELS:

The above, who made his declaration to the Custodian on April 2nd, 1942, and was evacuated on April 29th, 1942, declared the following chattels:

5 Gill nets	11 nets twine
Trolling equipment	Lead
1 Oil stove	Carpenter's equipment
Kitchen utensils	1 Stove
1 Row boat	1 Fishing boat (in custody of R.C.N.P. at New Westminster)

Nets, etc. to be left in Star Cannery net house. Kitchen utensils to be left at 72 Chatham Street, Steveston.

The nets and fishing equipment, including the row boat, were inventoried by our Steveston representative, Mr. C.C. Robinson, and sold as per net statement of February 12th, 1944, on file, for the total sum of \$153.00, and this amount credited to the account of the above. The total amount from sale of his nets and fishing equipment has been remitted to him, the sum of \$50.00 being sent on May 17/43 and the balance of \$103.00 remitted to him on November 16th, 1944.

All the chattels from 72 Chatham Street were removed to our storage warehouse on June 3, 1942. The owner of this house was T. TSUCHIYA, File 685. Mr. T. NISHI, File 10014, a brother-in-law of TSUCHIYA, also lived in this house. TSUCHIYA did not speak English very well and NISHI therefore seemed to be left to manage his affairs. The goods from this house were all removed in the name of T. NISHI. It does not appear from the file that any goods were found in the name of Katsutaro TAGUCHI with the exception of a trunk. TAGUCHI asked us to ship this trunk and contents to him and on September 7th, 1945, we advised him that we had identified his trunk and would ship it. However it was inadvertently included in Steveston auctions 41 and 42, trunk and contents being sold for the net sum of \$13.56 and this amount was credited to his account.

SPECIFIED
ARTICLES:

The above was the registered owner of a fishing vessel, the "K.T.", New Westminster 1909, which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$393.50, which was paid to the above through his attorney, Mr. U. SAKAMOTO, on June 1, 1942. Full details are given on Specified Articles Summary on file.

VICTORY BONDS
& WAR SAVINGS
CERTIFICATES

The above declared two \$50.00 Victory bonds and one \$5.00 War Savings Certificate in his own possession. These did not come under the control of the Custodian.

BANK
ACCOUNTS:

The ~~was~~ above declared a savings account in the Royal Bank of Canada at Steveston in the sum of \$80.70, and one in the Royal Bank of

Canada, Main and Hastings St., Vancouver, in the sum of \$325.25. These accounts did not come under the control of the Custodian.

LIFE
INSURANCE:

The above declared a life insurance policy with the Sun Life Assurance Co., Policy No. 2289127, in the sum of \$1000.00, the beneficiary being his wife Kuni. This did not come under the control of the Custodian.

No property interests other than those mentioned above are found on this file.

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

February 12th, 1946.

RBM:LBM

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

Office of the Custodian
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. of CANADA
6th Floor, ROYAL BANK BLDG.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 21 1948
File No.	1449
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Beckwith</i>

1447
Mr. Saburo Taguchi,
847 Stella Avenue,
KIMIKO, Manitoba

Dear Mr. Taguchi:

Re: Policy No. 1,209,127

We are today sending our cheque in favour of yourself Yoshiyo Taguchi covering the Cash Surrender Value of this policy in the amount of \$204.69 to the Office of the Custodian here. This amount is in full settlement of all claims under this policy. You may expect to receive the cheque shortly.

Yours faithfully,

C. E. HAY
BRANCH SECRETARY

[Signature]

V.C. Busley
LS

NAME WADSWORTH, Estimators

REGISTRATION NO. 03973

FILE NO. 1449

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Worcester, S. C. on November 14, 1945.

Truck \$ 7.00

Total		<u>\$ 7.00</u>
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee \$.70	
	(Advertising .24	\$ 1.21
	(Moving .27	
Net Proceeds Credited:		<u>\$ 5.79</u>

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steverson 42

Remarks. Hold funds

NAME W. J. Hill, Auctioneer

REGISTRATION NO. 03972

FILE NO. 1443

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Steveston, B. C. on November 5, 1945.

Electric iron etc.
Cupboard

\$ 7.50
2.50

Total

Less Expenses: { Auctioneer's Fee \$ 1.00
 { Advertising .64
 { Moving .39

\$ 10.00

\$ 2.43

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 7.77

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Mills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 41

Remarks. Hold funds.

MEMORANDUM

File Nos. 685, 10014, 1449

October 12th, 1944

To: The File

From: R.B. Mackenzie

Re: Tomotaro TSUCHIYA
Toshitsuga NISHI
Katsutaro TAGUCHI

Mr. T. Tsuchiya owns the house at 72 Chatham Street which has now been sold. He left chattels there as per inventory made by J.D. Mather April 14/42.

Mr. Taguchi (1449) declared on his "JP" form on April 2/42 that he left chattels at this house. On June 5/43 he wrote that he had sold most of his furniture before leaving Steveston and only stored little things at 72 Chatham Street. On Nov 19/43 he requested shipment of a trunk and contents. This may be one of the trunks appearing on list #72 on T. Nishi's file #10014 - it has not as yet been shipped.

Mrs. Grace Sturgeon the tenant at 72 Chatham Street signed form #14 acknowledging care of 1 wardrobe, folding couch and boxes, in the name of D. Taguchi. These goods apparently did not belong to Taguchi and were later moved and sold at Steveston auction #7 in the name of T. Nishi.

On June 3/42 chattels were moved from this house to our warehouse #3 (list #72) in the name of T. Nishi (10014) and are being liquidated.

On Oct. 10/42 Mr. Mat Brown stated that Nishi took all his personal effects with him when evacuated.

On Nov 5/43 Nishi wrote for an RCA Victor Radio stored at the J.W. Kelly Piano Co. but this was not released to him.

Dec. 1/42 an inventory of goods removed from 72 Chatham St. was sent to Nishi who confirmed it (with the exception of 1 round iron stove) on Dec. 11/42, in a covering letter wrote he had stored in the attic a lot of other articles and asked us to leave them there for the present. He also stated that T. Tsuchiya is his Brother-in-law and he was acting as his agent.

March 26/43 Nishi requested shipment of some of the goods stored in the attic - these were shipped as indicated on Memo April 6/43 from C.C.B.

August 2/44 Nishi wrote that the Victor Radio at the J.W. Kelly Piano Co. really belonged to T. Tsuchiya.

August 23/44 a memo from Mr. Harris states that the only goods left in the attic are a pair of gum boots and Japanese idols. *These have now been brought to our warehouse #3.*

R.B.M.

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: April 26, 1944

Name: TAGUCHI, Katsutaro

Reg. No. 03973

File: 1449

Boat File No.: JFVDC 654

Name of Vessel: "K.T." 30'x7'1"x3'1" (1931) Bensid 12 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 1909

Naval No.: NW.050-C

Owner's Valuation: \$1,200.00

JFVDC Valuation: 345.00 - Survey #115

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: May 29, 1942

Purchaser: British Columbia Packers Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$400.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~custodian~~: 400.00

Supervision Costs: 6.50

Balance due Owner: 393.50

Paid to: K. Taguchi, per U. Sakamoto, June 1, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Inventory Claim #427- B. C. Packers Ltd.- \$41.25 (Paid)

Additional Information:

J. M. Wilson Reviewed
Dec 5/42
J.M.

Gibson
Agency of

The Liverpool-Manitoba Assurance Company



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WILSON INSURANCE AGENCIES LTD.
325 HOWE STREET
VANCOUVER, B. C.
TELEPHONE MARINE 5456

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
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December 7th, 1942.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. S.M. Gibson

Dear Sir:-

re KASTUTARO TAGUCHI - formerly of
Steveston, B.C.

We enclose herewith copy of Liverpool-Manitoba Policy #16174 covering for \$300.00 on Household Furniture on Bayview St., Steveston, and you will note we have endorsed same to cover in the name of "Secretary of State of Canada".

We would appreciate your advising us your File No. for this party and also his mailing address.

Thanking you, we remain

Yours very truly,

WILSON INSURANCE AGENCIES LIMITED.

John V. Wilson

~~MANAGER.~~

KM
Enc.

March 7th, 1946.REGISTERED

Mr. Katsutaro TAGUCHI,
Reg. No. 03973,
847 Stella Ave.,
WINNIPEG, Man.

Dear Sir:

We enclose herewith Custodian cheque in the sum of \$13.56, which is the total amount of your credit balance with this office.

Your file has been reviewed and the following is noted. When you made your declaration to the Custodian on April 2nd, 1942, you declared fishing equipment to be left in the Star Cannery net house; kitchen utensils to be left at 72 Chatham Street, Steveston, and a fishing vessel in the custody of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police at New Westminster.

You stated that fire insurance to the value of \$300.00 was carried on your household furniture at Bayview Street, Steveston. In your letter of June 5th, 1943, you stated that most of this furniture was sold by you prior to your evacuation and the balance stored at 72 Chatham Street. This policy was therefore cancelled as from June, 1943, in accordance with your request.

Your nets and fishing equipment, including a row boat, were sold for the sum of \$153.00, and this amount credited to your account. Of this sum \$50.00 was sent to you on May 17th, 1943, and the balance of \$103.00 was remitted to you on November 16th, 1944. From information we have received from the B. C. Packers Ltd., it is found that after making your declaration to the Custodian of your nets on April 2nd, 1942, their records reveal you sold and received from them the sum of \$200.00 for a net, this being without our knowledge or consent. The Canneries have always refused to take any responsibility for nets left in their care, and all nets found in the Star Net House, which were picked up by the Custodian in your name, were sold and credited to your account.

All the chattels from 72 Chatham Street were moved to storage and sold at auction. Nothing was found among these goods that could be identified as belonging to you, with the exception of a trunk. On September 7th, 1945, you asked us to ship this trunk to you, but it was inadvertently included in one of our Steveston auctions and the trunk and contents sold for the net sum of \$13.56, and this amount credited to your account. This is your entire credit balance with this office.

According to information supplied to this office you were the owner

Mr. Katsutaro TAGUCHI

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March 7th, 1946.

of a fishing vessel the "K.T.", which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$393.50. This sum was paid to you through your Attorney, Mr. U. Sakamoto, on June 1st, 1945.

You declared two \$50.00 Victory Bonds and one \$5.00 War Savings Certificate in your own possession. These did not come under the control of the Custodian.

You declared two savings accounts, one in the Royal Bank of Canada at Steveston, in the sum of \$80.70; and one in the Royal Bank of Canada, Main and Hastings Branch, Vancouver, in the sum of \$325.25. These accounts did not come under the control of the Custodian.

You declared an insurance policy with the Sun Life Assurance Company, policy number 2289127, in the sum of \$1000.00. A Sun Life Assurance Company cheque in the sum of \$204.69, being the cash surrender value of your policy, was remitted to you on January 24th, 1946.

On February 2nd and February 6th, 1946, you requested our assistance in obtaining a refund for your share in the B. C. Fisherman's Association. We replied to these letters on the 8th instant, to the effect that we would be unable to assist you in this matter unless we had more specific information. We now await your reply.

It would appear that we have accounted for all the property of every kind left by you in the protected area which vested in the Custodian, and in order that you may confirm this and acknowledge the cheque, we are enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for convenience in replying.

Yours truly,

H. B. Mackenzie
Protection Department

RHE:LSB

Encl. (2)

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NV 856

DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Issued at Vancouver, B.C.,
Nov 27th 1946

The Government of Canada acknowledges that WARREN, Robinson,
has immovable property situated in Canada as described herein and agrees to remit the yen equivalent of the net proceeds
of such property immediately, or upon liquidation if such action is required, to Japan under arrangements made with,
and approved by, the United States Government and the Military Authorities in Japan; Provided that from the proceeds
of such property there shall be retained such amounts as are required to repay advances made by the Government of Ca-
nada by way of Repatriation Grant.

NOT NEGOTIABLE
Sum ----- \$2,000.00

R. D. Dixon
for Comptroller of the Treasury

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B. C.,
Oct. 17/46

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

Dear Sir:

Re: TAGUCHI, Katsutaro ¹⁴⁴⁹ *Revised*
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Please note that the above Japanese has been repatriated to Japan. The following is the status of his account with this Department, covering the repatriation transactions:

Money turned in - - - - -	\$	2002.55
Draft Issued- - - - -	\$	2002.55

It will be noted, therefore, that this party is not indebted to this Department in this connection. However, should any further monies come into your hands on this account it should be turned over to this office for transmission to the Japanese in question.

Yours truly,

F. G. Coburn
F. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.