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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: MURAKAMI Aematsu

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 25, House #118 Moneton St., Steveston, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 04678 SEX: Male AGE: 62

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: A.B.C. Packers, Phoenix Cannery, Steveston, B.C.

MARRIED? Yes

EXHIBIT NO. 107-8

DATE Sept 23/48

FILED BY Graham

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: TSUNEKO

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Same address

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: KIYOSHI (M) ATSUSHI (M) HATSUE (F)
(Honey, B.C.)
MITSUE (F) TSUNEYUKI (M)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: P.O. Box 25, House #118 Moneton St., Steveston, B.C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 30, 26, 23, 20 and 17 yrs.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Lot "C" of Lots 7, 10 and 11 of Block 8 of part of Section 11, block 8, North Range 7, West Map 446, in the DISTRICT of NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. Certificate of title #82661E. Located at P.O. Box 25, House #118 Moneton St., Steveston, B.C.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: House is 8 room stucco siding, with shingle roof. There are two barns, one used for garage and other for storing machinery. Key to be given to STANLEY LESLIE, who will occupy house upon their evacuation

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) Acadia Fire Ins. Co., Vancouver, Branch, policy #159969. In possession of Barrister MacDougall & Morrison, Vancouver. North W. Fire, policy #205272, \$2,000 for dwelling and furniture, in own possession

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$58 per yr. paid for 1941, payable at Richmond Town Hall, Brighouse, B.C.

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

None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

Is leasing his house and property to STANLEY LESLIE for duration of 7 lines, water, telephone & light x 1/2

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In own possession

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: 1 1/2 acres of loganberry

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: None

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: None

None

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:

Mats and line, value \$800, in upstairs room of his house

Small farm implements \$50, to be left in barn--new tenant MR. STANLEY LESLIE,

at 118 Monoton St., Stevenson, B.C.

may also use them

Key to be given to STANLEY LESLIE, new tenant

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: None5. 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)
None

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

\$50 Victory Bond 1951 maturity, #H170216, in own possession3 shares \$75 with River Fish Co., Steveston Branch, in own possession8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Royal Bank, Steveston Branch, #M93, \$900,9. LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life, policy #894477, \$2,000, beneficiary wife TSUNEKO
in own possession10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: NoneREMARKS: Has given power of attorney to Barristers and SolicitorsMACDOUGALL & MORRISON, Vancouver, B.C.Wrong
in favour of Stanley Leslie

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 14th day of April 1942.A. McArthur
Witness

(Signature)

A. McArthur

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE June 17, 1943.

File No. 3917

Name MURAKAMI, Asamatsu

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04678

Male - Female
(Check)

Age March 28/1880

Former Address P. O. Box 25, Steveston, B. C.

Date Evacuated May 30th, 1942

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address

10 N I (Fenson) Jenden.
P. O. Box 122, Taber, Alberta. - Oct 30/46

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife Tsuneko - #05246

Name of Husband -----

Name of Mother -----

Name of Father -----

Names of Children under 16

Tsuneyuko (M) Aug. 20/25 - #15123

Requested by ECT

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Fisherman. Owner of house and land at Steveston.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

October 3, 1946. **RP 6**

JAPANESE NAME: Asamatsu MURAKAMI, Registration No. 04678, File No. 3917

CAVALOGUE NO: Part of Director, The Veterans' Land Act first offer

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 118 Moncton Street, Steveston, B.C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot "C" of Lots 7, 10 and 11 of Block 8 of part of Section 11, Block 3 North, Range 7 West Map 4466 Municipality of Richmond in the District of New Westminster.

CLASSIFICATION: Dwelling

ASSESSED VALUE: Land \$ 652.00 Annual Taxes \$55.45
Improvements \$3600.00

TITLE: Registered in the name of Asamatsu MURAKAMI.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered and no indication of any unregistered. Vesting Order "o. 25443 - February 15, 1943.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: The Custodian's agent reports on April 28, 1942, "The house on the property, is a well built stucco exterior, with shingle roof, 8 room house, 1½ storeys, with basement. It is in good condition. There are also on the property, two small frame, shingle buildings, one used as a garage and the other, for storing farm equipment. There are about 1½ acres of loganberries on the land."

Before evacuation MURAKAMI entered into a Lease arrangement with Stanley Leslie for the duration of the war with Japan for a consideration of the payment of taxes and water.

Power of Attorney was given to Mr. Leslie by MURAKAMI, this being drawn up by the solicitors, MacDougall & Morrison of Vancouver, B.C. This arrangement was not disturbed by the Custodian.

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$2892.00. Adjustments calculated as of January 1, 1943.

Funds released to the credit of MURAKAMI on January 12, 1944. Title No. 165794-E to the Director on January 13, 1944. A complete statement of the transaction was sent to MURAKAMI on April 18, 1944.

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

George Peters

George Peters,
Administration Department

GP/1c

EXHIBIT NO. 707-7
DATE Sept 23/48
FILED BY G. R. Rie

October 3, 1946

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Asamatsu MURAKAMI
Registration No. 04678

CHATELS: See Chattel Summary

SPECIFIED ARTICLES: There are no cameras, radios, fire arms or motor vehicles revealed in the registration or the file.

BANK ACCOUNTS: Royal Bank, Steveston Branch, #W93, \$900.00. As this did not come under the control of the Custodian, no action required.

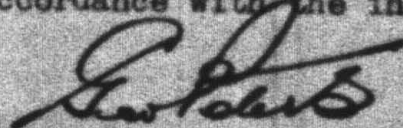
BONDS: \$50.00 Victory Bond 1951 maturity, #H170216, in owner's possession. As this did not come under the control of the Custodian, no action required.

STOCKS: 3 Shares \$75.00 with the River Fish Company, Steveston, B.C., in owner's possession.
The River Fish Company is being liquidated by P.S. Ross & Sons and if any funds are received after the liquidation, they will be credited to MURAKAMI's account with the Custodian.

LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life, policy #894477 -- \$2,000.00, in owner's possession. As this did not come under the control of the Custodian, no action required.

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

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


George Peters,
Administration Department

GP/ic

October 30, 1946.

CHattel SummaryRe: Asanatsu MURAKAMI
Registration No. 04678

In his declaration of April 14, 1942, MURAKAMI declared fish nets and lines to the value of \$800.00 left in the upstairs room of his house at 118 Monoton Street, Steveston, B.C. and small farm implements to the value of \$60.00 to be left in the barn.

MURAKAMI made arrangements with one Stan Leslie to take over the tenancy of his house and look after his chattels. Mr. Leslie supplied this office with an inventory signed by MURAKAMI as being left in Leslie's care. Mr. Leslie also supplied a list of nets (see his letter October 17, 1942 and Chattel Schedule). In an arrangement between Leslie and MURAKAMI, Leslie purchased certain items of chattels (See Chattel Schedule) and on March 28th, and August 31st, 1944, the Custodian removed to storage the balance of items with the exception of an electric light stand, vacuum cleaner and lawn mower which are still in the hands of Leslie but will be picked up at a later date and disposed of.

MURAKAMI's son, Kiyoshi, File #4698, declared nets left in his father's house. Certain articles were auctioned and credited to the joint account of the father and son. As it was impossible for this office to identify the individual items, we have credited all funds realized from the auction and sale of chattels to the father's account and he in turn can make whatever arrangements required with his son.

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


George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/ls

copy for file #4698 - Kiyoshi MURAKAMI, son.

KY file
file 3917
Registration Number 04678

MURAKAMI, Asanatsu

P. O. Box 25, House #118 Houston St., Stevenson, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

Lot "C" of Lots 7, 10 and 11,
Block 8, Sec. 11, Block 3 North,
Range 7 West, Map 446, Dist. of New
Westminster, C of T #26612.

OWNERSHIP

I have inspected the Certificate of Title,
which is in the name of the above Asanatsu Murakami.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

The house on the property, is a well built
stucco exterior, with shingle roof, 8 room house,
1 1/2 storeys, with basement. It is in good condition.
There are also on the property, two small frame,
shingle buildings, one used as a garage and the other,
for storing farm equipment. There are about 1/2 acres
of loganberries on the land, which are being looked
after by the lessee, Mr. Leslie.

INSURANCE

Policy #205272, North West Fire Insurance Co.
for \$2000 on building and contents, which is in his
possession.

Policy #159969, Acadia Fire Insurance Co.
for \$500, said to be in possession of MacDougall and
Morrisson, Vancouver.

TAXES

Taxes are paid up to December 31, 1941.

REMARKS

The property has been leased to one Leslie, a
friend of Murakami, for the sum of \$1.00 for the duration.
Leslie is to look after the loganberries and generally
attend to the place and also to store the furniture and
effects. Murakami has agreed to prepare an inventory,
which will be checked by Leslie and submitted to me at a
later date, before his evacuation.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that this arrangement be
allowed to stand.

April 28, 1942.

L. M. Maher

MEMORANDUM

June 22, 1943.

File No. 3917

To: Mrs. McArthur

From: Geo. Peters

Re: Asagatsu MURAKAMI

The following are the terms of a lease drawn between the above Japanese and Stanley Leslie.

"From the seventeenth day of March one thousand nine hundred and forty-two-----for the term of-----thence ensuing yielding during the said term therefor the rent of one (\$1.00) dollar of lawful money of Canada, payable on the following days and times, that is to say:

"The sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) payable on the 17th day of March, payment of which is hereby acknowledged."

Proviso for re-entry: "and on notice being given by the Lessor, viz., thirty days."

GP:NDZ

MEMORANDUM

July 20, 1943.

To: Mr. F. G. Shears

From: Geo. Peters

Re: Leases for inadequate consideration or uncertainty of
term.

File No. 3917

LEASE BETWEEN

ASAMATSU MURAKAMI, of the Townsite
of Steveston, in the Province of
British Columbia,

Fisherman.

AND

STANLEY LESLIE, of the Townsite of
Steveston and Province of British
Columbia aforesaid,

Cannery Employee.

DATE: Seventeenth day of March, 1942.

TERMS:

(No term mentioned)
Yielding the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00)
payable on the 17th day of March,
payment of which is hereby acknowledged.

PROVISO for re-entry on seizure or forfeiture of the
said term. The Lessor on notice being
given, viz. Thirty days.

GP:EB

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT and VETERANS' LAND ACT

File No. BC/682P
(JL-549)

Vancouver, B.C.

January 12th, 1944.

A.G. Duncan Crux, Esq.,
Randall Building,
535 West Georgia St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

MURAKAMI Akamoku 3917.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Lot "C" of Lots 7, 10 & 11 of Blk. 8
of pt. Sec. 11, Blk. 3, N., Rge. 7, W. Map 4466,
MUNICIPALITY OF RICHMOND

I beg to acknowledge receipt of Duplicate Certificate of Title No. 165794E of the New Westminster Land Registry Office for the above parcel of land in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Included in the Veterans' Land Act cheque for \$ 22,502.14, in favour of The Secretary of State, forwarded to you and dated January 12th, 1944, is the amount of the purchase price in full of the above land arrived at as follows:-

Purchase Price	- \$	2,892.00
Less arrears of taxes to January 1st, 1943,	- \$	-
Amount paid to Secretary of State	- \$	2,892.00 ✓

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt of the purchase price by signing the receipt on the duplicate hereof and return it to me.

Yours truly,

W.K. Chandler

W.K. Chandler,
LEGAL ADVISER.

WKC/W

RECEIVED Cheque covering the purchase price in full of the land above described.

JAN 19 1944

Date

[Signature]
Solicitor for
The Secretary of State

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S.S.

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-549

Land Description Lot "C" of Sub. Div. of Blks. 7-10-11 of Ptn. of Lot 8 of Sec. 11, Blk. 3, N., R. 7, W., Map 4466.

House No. 118 Monoton Road, Containing 2.50 more or less Acres

Owner's Name MURAKAMI, Asamatsu Post Office Address Steveston, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point Steveston - B.C. Electric Ry. Distance 1/2 mile

Market Town Vancouver - 10 miles; New Westminster - Distance 10 "

Church (give denomination) All denominations - Steveston Distance 1/2 "

Nearest School Steveston Distance 1/2 "

State how property was identified: Map location, corner post.

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

Direct access to Monoton Road. Paved road - good.

Is this district a good one? Reasonably good.

Employment opportunity Fairly good. Fishing and industries.

Predominating Nationality and religion: Orientals predominating.

Describe Fencing and its condition: Fence East & North - poor. Value \$

Water supply: Municipal System. Value \$

Electric power available - lights installed.

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	30 x 34	Stucco	2 st.	Shgl.	4	Cement	Good	3000.00
Garage	14 x 20	Frame	1 "	"	10	Wood	Fair	90.00
BARN	15 x 15	Frame	1 "	Pat.	10	"	Poor	-
BARN	X							
GRANARY	X							
	X							
	X							
	X							
	X							

Total present day value \$ 3090.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm \$ 2320.00

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? Yes. If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable?

Describe the basement and chimneys: Full basement; brick chimney to ground & furnace.

No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? 3 How finished Plastered downstairs. Wood finish upstairs.

Are buildings painted? Stucco Condition of stucco - Good

Distance from nearest bush No exposure.

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

Cultivated Land

BC/682-P
BC/1845-B

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ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
2.50	Level <i>250ae</i>	Clay loam 10" to 15"	Clay	Loganberries	250.00	625.00
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.						
Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.						
CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.			NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE		VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	

2.50 ae Total value of Land \$ 625.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 2320.00

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

Total value of farm \$ 2945.00

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:
Farm operated by tenant. Land in good state of cultivation and soil fertility good.

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

Noxious weeds:

None of consequence.

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

Corporation of Richmond - 1942 Taxes - \$55.45.

Assessed - Land - \$ 652.00
Imp. - \$3600.00

Date: July 17th, 1942.

Place: New Westminster, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination of the whole farm made on the 15 day of July 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"H.L. SINCLAIR"

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

JL-549 - A. MURAKAMI

Farm Appraisal ReportRemarks:

This is a good small holding situated close to Steveston. The soil is a good clay loam; land well cultivated and apparently in good state of fertility.

The dwelling is of frame stucco construction; basement starts from ground level and is on concrete base. This constitutes one storey with main living quarters on second floor. Dwelling is fully modern, excepting bath which is typical Japanese construction and in basement.

The property has been leased by S. Leslie, term - for duration of war. Mr. Leslie was interviewed but advised that he could not recollect the terms of lease and was unable to find document. The lease agreement was said to have been drawn by T. King, of Steveston.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

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

Low lying land in Richmond dyking and drainage area. Drainage is assisted by pumping system when necessary.

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

Dyking and drainage charges are included in the general tax. Pumping charges fluctuate from 15¢ per acre.

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC.

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

Present Value

Loganberries - 1.19 acres.

\$

Fallow - 1.31 "

\$

2.50 "

\$

\$

\$

\$

\$

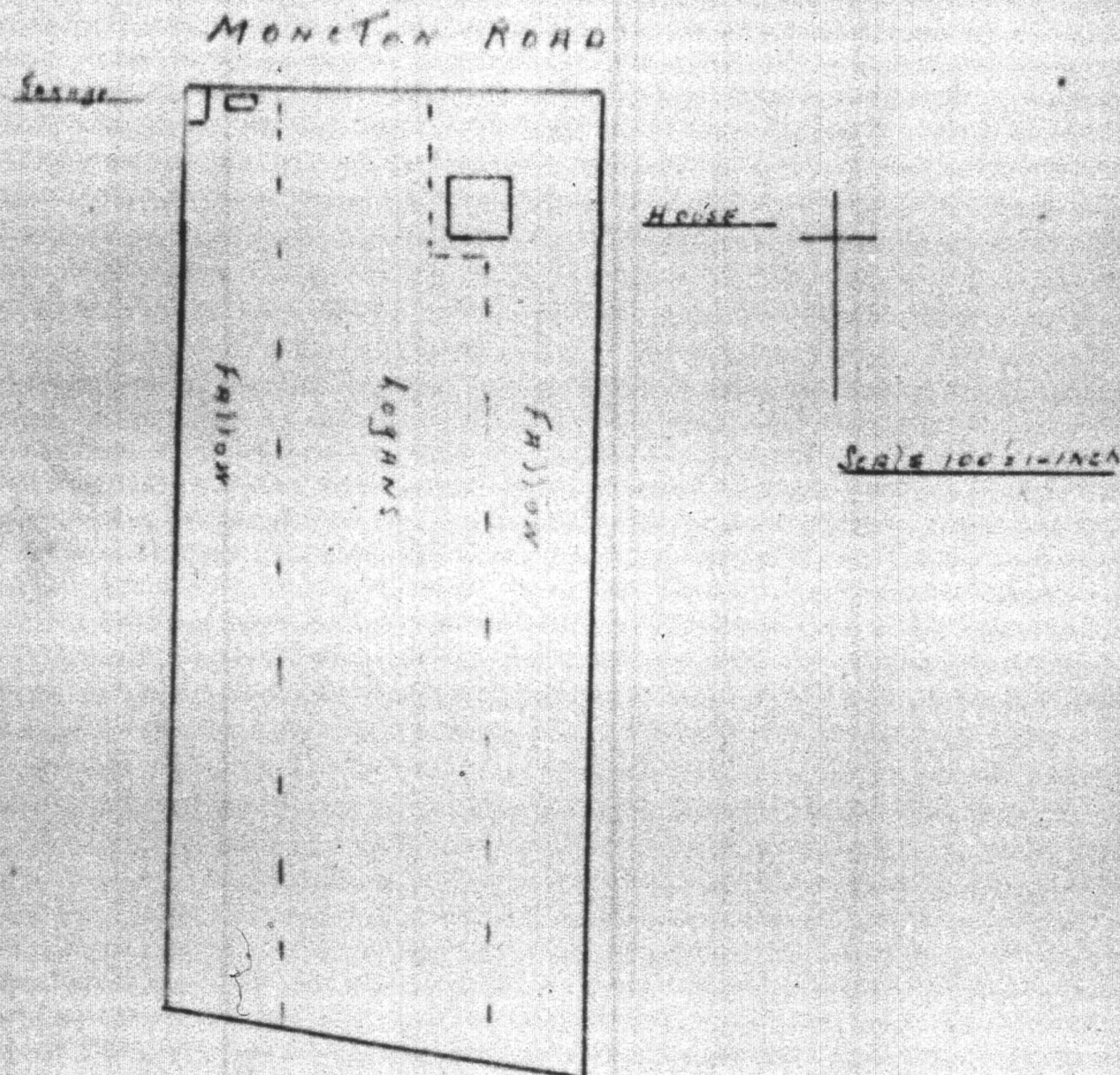
\$

\$

Total \$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$

Diagram of Property



Lot "C" of Sub-Div. of Bks. 7-10-11 of P.M. of Lot 8 of Sec. 11 - Bldg. 3 N. 7th. P. 4466

HASHIMATSU-MURAKAMI

2.50 Acs.

Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present
value is \$ 2900.00

Date 21st July 1942.

"I.T. BARNET"
District Superintendent.

File Nos. 3917 & 4698

February 23, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 23 1944
File No.	3917 & 4698
Ans.	14's 11's
Referred	Seaton

To: Miss Seaton
From: Mr. G. M. Harris

Re: MURAKAMI, Asamatsu & Kiyoshi

I have contacted Mr. Stan Leslie who says the first two nets on list were purchased by him and the third net he will pay for. There are still several pieces of nets at this house which I will go over with him.

He is in the process of arranging for the purchase of some of this man's furniture before we take it to storage for auction, so should be able to close this shortly.

"G. M. Harris"

GMH/ms

MEMORANDUM

File Nos.: 3917
4698

Nov. 16th, 1944.

To: FILES

From: Mr. Green

Re: Asamatsu MURAKAMI
Kiyoshi MURAKAMI

Nets of Asamatsu Murakami were left with Stan Leslie, tenant of his house and reported by him to the Custodian 17/10/42. Some of these nets probably belong to Asamatsu's son, Kiyoshi.

Mr. Leslie has power of attorney for Asamatsu Murakami. He reported 12/9/42 that he had sold two nets and one set of lines and sent the money to Asamatsu Murakami.

The present position now is: (sold by or to Mr. Leslie).

7" net	Sold for \$50.00	Credited to file 3917
6" net	Sold for \$100.00	

5" }	Pieces sold for \$65.00
5" }	
5" }	

5" }	No Value
5" }	
5" }	

Cork lines value only as loose	}
corks. Sold for \$8.00	

To be credited to the
Joint Account.

HFG:IF

SECTION
APR 22 1943
File No. 3917
Ans. G-165-4
Referred *gun*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.
CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address a/s O.D. Roberts
Nobleford

Date March 11, 1943

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

I, A. Murakami, Police Registration No. 04678
hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property
stored at 118 Moncton St., Steveston, B. C.
in possession of Mr. Stanley Leslie, Box 301, Steveston
and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to
such property.

Description of Property:

1 Sewing Machine, 3 springs, 1 crib & spring, 3 mattresses, bed comforters,
2 beds, cedar chest, Massage machine, kitchen ware, home-made bureau

Original Address 118 Moncton St., Steveston

Date Evacuated to Vancouver

Date Evacuated to Present Address May 30, 1942

Number in Family - 12 years and over 7

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old

Number in Family - under 5 1

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 8

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

APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per:

Asamatsu Murakami
Claimant Signs Here

(Circular Stamp: British Columbia Security Commission)
As advise cost of
delivery to Richmond Truck
and approximate weights

April 21-1943

SECTION
MAY 3 1943
File No.
Ans.
Referred
C-165-A

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address 100 D. Roberts
Nashford Alta.

Date March 22, 1943

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

I, A. Murakami, Police Registration No. 04678

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property

stored at 118 Monckton St. Steveston B.C.

in possession of Mr. Stanley Leslie Box 301 Steveston B.C.

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

Description of Property:

2 boxes of carpenter tools

Original Address 118 Monckton St. Steveston B.C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver _____

Date Evacuated to Present Address May 30, 1942

Number in Family - 12 years and over 7

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 1

Number in Family - under 5 _____

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 8

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

APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: Blondich Asamatsu Murakami
Dist. Sup. Claimant Signs Here

Mr. Kaichi Murakami

Greenwood B.C.

Bldg. No. 5

See May 1, 1943

It is acknowledged that a bill of lading has been issued and is not the Original Bill of Lading, but a copy or duplicate, covering the property named herein, and is intended solely for filing or record.

Agent's No.

1943

The Rate of Freight from Custodian File # 3917

is in Cents per 100 Lbs.

[illegible]

Destination Norfolk Province or State of IL County of _____

[illegible]

No. Charges	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES AND SPECIAL MARKS	WEIGHT (Subject to Correction)	CLASS OR RATE	CHECK COLUMN	Car No.
1	cat sew. machine				If charges are to be prepaid, write or stamp here, "To be Prepaid."
1	bed crib				
1	cat cedar chest				Prepaid Be sure to
2	beds Bed Ends				
1	rocks				Received \$ to apply in prepayment of the charges on the property described hereon.
1	cat mattress				
1	roll				Agent or Customs
1	Dress and cat				
1	carpet Effects				The signature here acknowledges only the amount prepaid.)
2	chest				
1	Bk massage machine				Charges Advanced :
2	bags Effects				
2	Bed springs				

B. C. Aguirre American Shipper.

Per 2/22/24

Per

Agent

C-165-A

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address Mr. G. D. Roberts,

Date Sept. 20/42

Nobleford, Alta.

EXHIBIT NO. 707-13

DATE Sept 23/42

FILED BY W. A. Rice

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

I, Asamatsu MURAKAMI, Police Registration No. 222-04878

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property

stored at 118 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

in possession of Stanley Leslie

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

Description of Property:

*Shipped
Nov 3/42*

- ✓ (1) Food chopper (2) Comforter (3) Wedding pictures
- ✓ (4) 2 bookcases with books inside ✓ (5) All aluminum pots and pans
- ✓ (6) kitchen utensils of all kinds, include dishes of all sorts
- ✓ (7) book cabinet with drawer at bottom (varnish finished)

Original Address 118 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver May 30/42

Date Evacuated to Present Address June 1, 1942

Number in Family - 12 years and over 7

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old -

Number in Family - under 5 1

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 8

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

APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: _____

Asamatsu Murakami
Claimant Signs Here

Received deposit \$5.00 on freight
for above goods - draft mailed
Oct. 7/42, receipt no. 1310.

CCR for SIB

A Murallami 04678 Notepad

✓ 1 Cabin 1 B2 Dishes

1 B2 Room Ctr photo Cans

2 Trunks dishes & ware + clothing

Agent's No. _____

3rd Nov

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The Rate of Freight from

is in Cents per 100 Lbs.

IF $\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$

[illegible]

(Mail Address) Not for purposes of delivery.

Destination Norfolk Province or State of Alta County of _____

[illegible]

No. Package	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES AND SPECIAL MARKS	WEIGHT (Subject to Correction)	CLASS OR RATE	CHECK COLUMN	If charges are to be pre- paid, write or stamp here "To be Prepaid."
1	Bedinet				<p>Prepaid</p> <p>595</p>
1	Box Books				
1	Box Books				
1	Box Books				
1	Box Books				
2	Trunks (white, Kable some red)				<p>Received \$</p> <p>to apply in prepayment of</p> <p>the charges on the property</p> <p>described hereon.</p>
<p>EXTRACT FROM RECORDS OF Department of Labor JAPANESE DIVISION</p>					
<p>JUL 11 1947</p>					Agent or Cashier
<p>Bedinet : 2.50</p> <p>Spencer Chge 75</p> <p>Lunch 30</p> <p>Catering 3.00</p> <p>Cash 14.00</p>					<p>(The signature here acknowledges only the amount prepaid.)</p>
					Charges Advanced :

If charges are to be prepaid, write or stamp here, "To be Prepaid."

Prepared by
Abell

EXTRACT FROM RECORDS
OF
Department of Labor
JAPANESE DIVISION

Received \$.....
to apply in prepayment of
the charges on the property
described hereon.

Agent or Cashier

(The signature here acknowledges only the amount prepaid.)

Charges Advanced :

Per M. J. [illegible] 2/9/91 Per [illegible]

File No. 3917

December 29th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

TO: File

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie

Re: Asamatsu MURAKAMI

This file is in order as to chattels as these were left in the care of Mr. Stanley Leslie and acknowledged by him in a letter dated September 12th, 1942. Mr. Leslie leased the property of the above at 118 Moncton Street and has made several shipments as requested on Custodian Release Forms dated March 11th 1943, and September 24th 1943.

RBM/HMS

R. S. M.

File 7927

April 6, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Harris

From: Mr. Macdonald

Re: HIRAKAWA, Isamu - Reg. 04678

Enclosed is our official receipt No. 8436 made out in the name of Mrs. Stan. Leslie for \$50.00 being purchase price for Cook Stove, Heater and Tank belonging to the above. Enclosed also is letter from HIRAKAWA as requested.

RBM

RM/pla

Stan Leslie
Harv

Stan Leslie



MEMORANDUM

File 3917

April 27, 1941

To: Mr. Harris

From: Mr. Mackenzie

Re: MURKIN, Assassination - Reg. 04678

Enclosed is our official receipt No. 8642 for \$120.00
made out to Mr. Stan Leslie in payment of the Bedroom Suite
and Chesterfield Set which the above agreed to sell to him
for this amount.

WMA/pls
Encl.

RSM

October 3, 1946.

MEMORANDUM - Miss Girard

Re: Asamatsu MURAKAMI and Kiyoshi MURAKAMI
Reg. # 04678 and Reg. # 03919

We note the following chattels were auctioned and credited to the joint account of the above named Japanese. As these chattels came out of the house owned by Asamatsu MURAKAMI, would you kindly have these transferred back into the single account of Asamatsu as it is our intention to send the monies to Asamatsu to make his own arrangements with his family.

STEVESTON AUCTION 38, September 21, 1945

Fish Tank	\$.50
Gas tank	.50
2 lengths rope	.25

STEVESTON AUCTION 21, September 30, 1944

Miscellaneous kitchenware	1.00
Large iron kettle	1.50
Chinaware	.25
Chinaware	2.35
Gramophone records	.75
Chinaware	.50

STEVESTON AUCTION 20, September 15, 1944

2 Peavies and sledge	.60
Boat pump and lamp standard	.75
Wood vice	1.00
Fish picks	.25
Fish picks and garden tool	.50
5 Lanterns	1.00
10 Gal. stone crock	3.25
Copper boiler	1.00
6 Kitchen chairs	1.50
Platform scale	24.00


George Peters,
Administration Department

GP/1a

Accounting Department:

Charge to Files 3917 - 4698 - Joint Account and credit to File 3917 - MURAKAMI, Asamatsu

Steveston 20: Realized: \$33.85 -- Less Expenses: \$7.76 -- Credited: \$26.09

Steveston 21: " \$6.35 -- " " \$1.81 -- " \$4.54

Steveston 38: " \$1.25 -- " " \$0.36 -- " \$0.89

\$31.52

Transferred, October 4, 1946.



NAME: MURAKAMI, Asamatsu

REGISTRATION NO. 04566

FILE NO. 3917

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B.C.

Rocking chair	
End table	\$ 5.00
End table	1.60
Dresser & mirror	0.50
Dresser & mirror	19.00
Dining table, 6 chairs, Buffet & china cabinet	18.00
China Cabinet	91.00
Dresser & mirror	9.00
Kitchen table & 6 chairs	1.00
Kitchen cabinet - 2 sections	10.50
Bedstead - no spring	1.75
Table	2.50
Table	2.75
	0.50

*This statement of chattels is correct to best
of my knowledge*

Signed Asamatsu Murakami

Total:		\$163.10
Less Expenses:		
	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$16.31	
	(Advertising: 6.80	
	(Moving: 14.43	
		<u>37.54</u>
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$125.56
		<u><u> </u></u>

NAME MURAKAMI, Asamatsu
MURAKAMI, Kiyoshi

REGISTRATION NO. 04578
05727

FILE NO. 3917
4678

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The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B.C. on September 21, 1945.

Fish tank
Gas tank
2 lengths rope

*transferred to single
account on 4/10/46.
C.G.*

\$ 0.50
0.50
0.25

Total (Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.12
Less Expenses: (Advertising: 0.08
(Moving: 0.16

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.25
\$ 0.36
\$ 0.89

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 38.

Remarks.

NAME MURAKAMI, Asanuma

REGISTRATION NO. 04678

FILE NO. 3917

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steverson, B. C. on July 20, 1945.

Chinaware
Chinaware etc.

\$ 1.00 -
0.50 -

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee \$ 0.15
(Advertising 0.12
(Moving 0.14

1.50

0.43

Net Proceeds Credited:

1.07

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steverson 37.

Remarks.

NAME MURAKAMI, Asahito
MURAKAMI, Shunji

REGISTRATION NO. 04678
0792

FILE NO. 3917
1022

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B. C. on September 30, 1944

Miscellaneous Kitchenware	\$ 1.00 K
Large Iron kettle	1.50 /
China ware	0.25 /
China ware	2.35 /
Gramophone records	0.75 /
China ware	0.50 /

*Transferred to right account
4/10/46. C.G.*

Total		\$ 6.35
Less Expenses:		\$ 1.82
(Auctioneer's Fee)	\$0.63	
(Advertising)	0.33	
(Moving)	0.85	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 4.54

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 21

Remarks.

NAME MURAKAMI, Kiyoshi
MURAKAMI, Adamasa

REGISTRATION NO. 4498
3317

FILE NO. 4498
04478

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B. C. on September 13, 1944.

2 Sawies and sledge	0.40
Best pump and lamp standard	0.75
Wood vice	1.00
Fish plate	0.25
Fish plate and garden tool	0.30
5 lanterns	1.00
10 Gal. stove creek	3.45
Copper boiler	1.00
6 Kitchen chairs	1.30
Platform scale	24.00

Transferred to single Account.

4/10/46. C.G.

Total	(Auctioneer's Fee \$ 3.39	\$ 33.85
Less Expenses:	(Advertising 1.40	
	(Moving 2.72	\$ 7.76
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 26.09

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 20.

Remarks.

NAME MURAKAWI, Asanuma

REGISTRATION NO. 0454

FILE NO. 1317

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Stevenson, N.C. on March 31, 1944

Hooking chair	\$ 5.00 -
Bed table	1.60 -
Bed table	0.50 -
Dresser & mirror	19.00 -
Dresser & mirror	18.00 -
Dining table, 6 chairs, Buffet & china cabinet	91.00 -
China cabinet	9.00 -
Dresser & mirror	1.00 -
Kitchen table & 6 chairs	10.50 -
Kitchen cabinet - 2 sections	1.75 -
Bedstead - no spring	2.50 -
Table	2.75 -
Table	0.50 -

*Transferred from file 13720
30/11/45 by Mr. Peters*

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$16.31
(Advertising: 6.80
(Moving: 14.43

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$	163.10
\$	37.54
\$	125.56

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 10.

Remarks.

Re: Asanatsu MURAKAMI

Registration No. 04678

Evacuated May 30, 1942MURAKAMI'S AND LESLIE'S INVENTORY SUPPLIED BY LESLIE OCTOBER 17, 1942

3 pce. living room suite
10 pce. dining room suite
1 living room stove
3 small table
1 end table
7 pce. kitchen set
3 pantry
1 stove
2 card tables
2 clothes hangers
1 bureau
1 vacuum cleaner
5 beds
4 pce. bedroom suite
2 trunks (full)
lawn mower

October 1, 1946.

GOODS REMOVED MARCH 28, 1944 AND AUGUST 31, 1944

1 kitchen table)	Auctioned
6 kitchen chairs) set	Auctioned
2 end tables	Auctioned
2 kitchen cabinets	Auctioned
1 dining room table	Auctioned
6 dining room chairs	Auctioned
1 buffet	Auctioned
1 china cabinet	Auctioned
2 small tables	Auctioned
1 rocking chair	Auctioned
1 dresser and mirror	Auctioned
1 book case	Missing
1 iron bed (no spring)	Auctioned
2 dressers and mirrors	Auctioned
1 bed and spring (I. KATAI file #4696)	Auctioned
1 rice bowl	Missing
1 auxiliary gas tank	Auctioned
3 boxes misc. china	Auctioned
2 lengths anchor rope	Auctioned
1 platform scale and fish box	Auctioned
5 lanterns	Auctioned
1 water tank	Missing
1 boat stove	Missing
2 peavies and sledge	Auctioned
misc. picks	Auctioned
1 pump	Auctioned
1 light standard	Auctioned
1 box trolling gear	Auctioned
6 kitchen chairs	Auctioned
1 crock	Auctioned
1 vice screw	Auctioned
2 part kags nails	Missing
1 box records and china	Auctioned
3 boxes leads	Missing
1 box misc. corks	Sold
2 oil cans	Missing
1 copper boiler	Auctioned
2 piscoweb 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " - 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " - left	No value
1 " " 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " green)	Sold, see memo Nov. 16, 1944.
" " 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") office	No value " " " "
" " 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " spring)	No value " " " "
About 50 lbs. lead	See memo Nov. 16, 1944.
Approx. 400 corks	See memo Nov. 16, 1944.
misc. kitchen ware	Auctioned
1 large iron kettle	Auctioned
1 fish tank	Auctioned

GOODS SOLD DIRECT TO LESLIE

Bedroom suite
 Chesterfield suite
 Kitchen stove
 Heater and tank

GOODS STILL IN HANDS OF LESLIE

Electric light stand
 Vacuum cleaner
 Lawn mower

October 1, 1946.

SHIPMENTS MADE AGAINST CUSTODIAN RELEASES

March 22, 1943.

May 11, 1943

September 24, 1943.

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



George Peters,
Administration Department

GP/1c

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OF THE INNER TEMPLE
BARRISTER-AT-LAW

CABLE ADDRESS "ALLON"
VANCOUVER, CANADA
TELEPHONES PACIFIC (5388)
IN 308

MARINE BUILDING
355 BURNARD STREET
VANCOUVER, B. C.

May 6, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
MAY 7 1942

C. L. Drewry, Esq.,
Manager, Japanese Evacuation Section,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: MURAKAMI, Asamatsu, -
Your File No. 3917 - Our
File No. 36

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, which we only received this afternoon.

Apparently you are labouring under some misapprehension, as we do not hold any power of attorney from Mr. Murakami in favour of Mr. Leslie. Upon instructions, we prepared a power of attorney from Mr. Murakami in favour of Mr. Leslie whereby Mr. Leslie was authorized to take possession of the property mentioned by you and to manage the same. Amongst other powers, Mr. Leslie is authorized to keep the premises insured. No doubt you have a copy of this power of attorney on your files.

Our understanding is that Messrs. Ceperley Rounsefell & Company of this city have the insurance on the buildings and that it is their intention to keep the same insured so long as

C. L. Drewry, Esq.

-2-

May 6, 1942.

Mr. Leslie is authorized to manage the property as afore-
said. Mr. Leslie is, of course, obligated to keep such
insurance in effect.

We regret that we have not got a copy of the
lease, and we must refer you to Mr. Leslie for the same.
We believe you will be able to contact Mr. Leslie through
Messrs. Ceperley Rounsefell & Company.

We are,

Yours very truly,
MacDOUGALL & MORRISON,
Per: C.L.

CM:H

3917

September 9, 1942

Mr. Stanley Leslie,
118 Moncton Street,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Asamatsu MURAKAMI

In connection with A. Murakami's property at Steveston, which we understand you have leased for the sum of \$1.00 per year, you paying the taxes, insurance and up-keep; will you kindly forward to this office receipted tax bill for the year 1942 and the insurance policies covering the premises.

We would also like a copy of the inventory of the furniture which is rented with the premises, together with your acknowledgment that they are in your custody.

Murakami declared to us that he had fishing nets and lines to the value of \$800.00 in the house, please let us know if they are still there. As fishing nets deteriorate, it will be necessary for us to make arrangements for their disposal.

Yours truly,

G. D. Milson
Administration Department

GDM/GH

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OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY
JAPAN
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SEP 23 1948

Milson
For identification

EXHIBIT NO. 707-A

DATE Sept 23/48

FILED BY Gracie

Sept 14 1948

Box 205

Sturton B.C.

C. D. Milson
Dear Sir

I received a letter from you regarding a Murchisoni property. I am sending you tax and water notice which I have paid.

These insurance policies are in a Murchison's hands, I sent them to him some time ago.

Regarding the nets and lines I have sold two nets and one set line. The money has been forward to him. I think that I will be able to sell balance of full nets for him. This is the arrangement I have with with him.

Hoping this will be in order. There is anything you want me to do just let me know.

Yours Truly
J. Leslie.

3917

September 23rd, 1942

Mr. S. Leslie,
Box 301,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Rei MURAKAMI, Ananatsu

Further to our Administration Department's letter of September 19th, we should be much obliged if at your convenience you would let us have a list of the remaining nets held by you and the prices required by the owner. We are quite agreeable to your selling the nets at these prices, but as already requested, would ask you to send the money to us.

Finally, we notice from our copy of the Lease, that there should be an inventory of furniture attached. We assume that this was signed by the Japanese and by you at the time the agreement was reached, and should be much obliged if you would send us a copy for our records. You will understand that in this way we shall have a complete picture of this man's affairs.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
OCT 30 1942

Oct 17-42
Enc 10,
Sturton B.C.

H. G. Green Esq
Dear Sir

Enclosed find list
of furniture also list of
into some of these into
the Canadian Dist Co at
Sturton are going to
buy, it will have the
cheque made out to
you and forwarded same
to you. Hoping this
will be satisfactory.

Yours Truly
L. L. Lister

A. Murahami Nets

1 - 7" net	\$100.00	— Bought by Jackson
1 - 6 1/2" net	\$100.00	— Bought by Jackson
1 - 5 1/8" net	\$75.00	
1 - 5 3/8" net	\$45.00	
4 cut lines @ \$35 each		
day fish lines		
1 - 5 1/4" net	\$75.00	
1 - 5 7/8" "	\$35.00	
1 - 9 1/2" "	\$20.00	
8 - 5 1/2" "	\$75.00	

I think Murahami
sold some nets just before
he went away.

J. L. L. W.

October 20, 1943.

Mr. David D. Munro,
846 W. Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lot "G" of 7, 10 & 11, Block 8,
Section 11, Steveston, Municipality
of Richmond - Assnateu MURAKAMI

We are in receipt of your letter of October 18th.

The above property has been sold to the Director
of the Veterans' Land Act. The balance of any properties
vested with the Custodian in Steveston will be sold by tender.
Advertisements will appear in the local papers when, and if,
these properties are offered for sale.

Hoping this is the information you require.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB

DAVID D. MUNRO

VANCOUVER, CANADA

846 West Hastings Street,
October 18, 1943.

Mr. F. G. Shears,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	OCT 19 1943
File to	<i>[Signature]</i>
Ans.	<i>[Signature]</i>
Referred	<i>[Signature]</i>

Dear Sir:

Re: Lot "C" of 7, 10, & 11, Block 8,
Section 11, Steveston, Municipality
of Richmond,
Asamatsu Murakami.

Mr. Stanley Leslie, the tenant of
this property, asked me to ascertain from you if
this property is for sale and, if so, at what price
and terms.

I might mention that I acted for
both Mr. Leslie and Mr. Murakami when the property
was leased in March 1942.

Any information you can give me
will be appreciated.

Thanking you, I remain.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

DDM/w

*Sold to
D.S.A.*

PP 8
Hableford, Aber.
Feb. 28. 1943.

Dear Mr. Leslie:

Thanks for your letter which we have received quite awhile ago, have been intending to write to you sooner but we got delayed.

The weather here is getting mild. It is snowing again to day but it is not as cold as that cold spell.

I am sorry to hear that our property is going up for sale, if that is a fact I should like you to send our stuffs.

All the comforters and cushions, old coats that are hanging in closets, old pieces of cloth, some in my drawers of (bedroom suite) and wedding dress etc in hope chest and some in boxes in closet.

Clean out and put in "cloth bag" we are sending. Old bed sheets etc

I mean in a bag of pieces of cloth.

New Sewing Machine, I think it's all packed to be shipped.

Massage Machine, wrapped up in cloth (up at all hall closet) And two tins to warm up feet to go with it.

② About ft. long, five in. wide, and five in. depth. (pair in box)
And several things in leather case with long belt about tobacco can size that goes with it too.

We don't know where we put them so please hunt them up.

2 Beds -

- 1 double bed and spring
- 1 three quarter bed and spring (both brown)

I think they are both in front bedroom on west side (Mistress's room).

- 1 Baby Crib with spring
(In big bedroom on east side)

3 Mattresses -

- ① One of three quarter bed
- ② " " bed room suite (purple colored)
(Both could be rolled up and lay around)
- ③ One of ~~single~~ double bed with spring inside
(This has to be packed as it is in box)

We still have more we want to be sent but I can't write everything down so I'll write again soon.

③ You have been asking about the house but we still haven't made up our mind so we'll let you know later and also about furnitures. we still don't know whether to sell them or not. ~~We would~~ like to have them but there's no room here to put them.

If you have some spare time, I wonder if you could pack up all the pots, and pans, wooden bowls, kettles, ^{knives} etc. I mean all the kitchen uses, ~~put~~ ^{pack} them to be shipped and leave them there, so that you could send them over if you had to move, as there's no place here for them yet.

We left some valuable books in small suitcases, and some photos, ^{in a box} also our wedding picture in frame hanging in our bedroom want to be kept.

We feel very sorry to give you all this trouble, but we have been figuring of going home after the war, so we didn't pack them up before we came.

We could hardly make enough to eat on beets so we want some of the stuff kept.

(4) My sister (Miss P. Nishimura of Bay Farm,
Staten) left a box of world books.
she may write to you to be sent so if
she does please do that.

And two brown bed in big bedroom
on east side and old style drawers are
my sister (Mrs. J. Kater of Lethbridge, Alta)
she may write for them too (more & edited)

Mr. Ishibashi, Mr. Yodagawa and
Mrs. Sasaki have some their things.
they may ask for them, if they do please
send them.

Sorry for giving you all this trouble
but we can't go and help you.

Will write more later. Hoping to hear
from you.

Yours truly
(Mrs.) K. Murakami

I am writing this letter for dad.

Noblyford, Alta
Sept. 24, 1943

Dear Mr. Leslie:

We are dropping a line to let you know, so you may have time to pack the things, and to let you know what we want exactly. We have reported to the custodian to get some things stored at our house. so he may come in a short time.

All things we want are as follows:

- (1). 1 Food chopper (we don't know where it is, you have to look around).
- (2). 2 Book case with record books inside (In front bedroom upstairs closet)
- (3). Wedding pictures of all kind & group pictures (In front upstairs bedroom closet).
- (4). 1 big comforter, covered with white gauze and also cushions & sheets if you can find any.
- (5). 1 electric clock. if you can find at any place.
- (6). Kitchen utensils of all kinds. includes.
 - (a). Japanese bowls with cover - 1 doz.
 - (b). " wooden bowls with cover - 20 sets. (in two wooden boxes.

- (c). One complete set of dinner dishes (In front
upstairs bedroom closet.)
- (d). All silverwares, glasswares, pyrexwares, aluminum
kettles & pots of all kinds
- (e). One dark brown, earthenware mortar or bowl.
(not smooth inside). in upstairs
- (f). 30 x Japanese tray (in basement trunk.)
- 25. ~~Don't~~ Please leave these big plates in the trunk.

Please ^{tuck in} ~~stack~~ any socks or anything in
between dishes, so they won't break. ~~in~~ pack them
in a wooden boxes please. & tie up with rope or
strings.

Yours Truly
A. Murakami.

Nobleford, Alta

Oct. 5, 1943.

Dear Mr. Stanley Leslie:

Well ~~as~~ how are you and
rest of your family. For us we
are all well. Since logging of
bets has commenced from last
week we are all working every day
in the bet field.

Well how's the fishing now?
and how's everything at Steneston.

We forgot to write down
some few things which we
missed in our last letter to you.
So we thought of dropping down
to day.

Well its the book cabinet, (with drawers at bottom, varnish finished) in front upstairs bedroom. Also pack in all Japanese books which are in same bedroom. There are few in a old desk-drawer too. If you can find net twine in upstairs bedroom by the net. Please also send them with others.

We have reported to the Custodian some items, but not in such a detail, so we decided to write to you in full particulars so you can identify each one.

Yours truly

A. Murakami

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 31 1944
File No.	3717
Ans.	
Referred	Mackenzie

Wolfeboro N.H.
Jan 26/44

Office of Custodian
506 Granville St.
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir

I had word from Mr S. Leslie
who is now residing at our former home
at 118 Moncton St. St. John's N.B.
In his letter he stated that he had
sent a electric alarm clock & a toaster in
your care for us, this letter was dated
December 27th 1943, but I haven't received
anything of the above mentioned article as
yet. I gather that you are still holding
these article in your custody for our
claimant

I would appreciate very much
if you can please send these articles
by collect to us in your next

convenient possible time, thank you

respectfully yours

A. M. M. M.
T. M.

3917

February 2nd, 1944.

Mr. Asamatsu MURAKAMI,
Registration No. 04678,
C/O O. D. Roberts,
R. R. #1,
Nobleford, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of January 26th 1944, we may say that your request for shipment of an electric alarm clock and toaster did not come to this office and this is the first we have heard of it.

On reviewing your file we note that you leased your property to Mr. Stan Leslie including all your effects that were left in the house, so the Custodian is in no way responsible for what is there. We will write to Mr. Leslie, however, and ask him to let you know how and when he shipped the articles you asked for.

Yours truly,

R. B. Mackedi-
Protection Department.

RBM/HMS

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To O. D. Roberts
 Nabblyford, Alta
 Feb. 8, 1944

Out to you.

Office of the Custodian
 506 Royal Bank Bldg
 Hastings and Granville,
 Vancouver B.C.

EXHIBIT No. 707-10
 DATE Sept 23/48
 FILED BY Grace

Dear Sirs

I would like you to sell all my furnitures including all the effects that were left in the house with best prices as possible as I do not make much money on working bees with my old age. And I would hate to get relief so please try and send the money.

We let Mr. B. Rhodes (I don't know if I have spelt his name right or not) (He was the manager of Phones Company of Stenaston Bldg.) have my radio before we came here. I wonder if you could get it from him and sell it.

Please send me the price lists of all the things after being sold.

Yours truly,
 A. Murakami

P.S.

Please send all the stuff to
Lithbridge instead of Rockland
as we may move out of this place.

Screen
out to Libson

Property of A Murakami

3 Piece living room suite
10 Piece Dining room suite
1 Living room stove
3 small tables: one end table
7 piece Kitchen suite
3 Pantry
1 stove
2 Card table
2 Cloak hanger
1 Mirror
1 Vacuum Cleaner
~~1 Sewing Machine~~
5 Bed
4 piece Bed room suite
2 Trunk full
Lawn Mower

A. Murakami

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DATE Sept. 23/48
FILED BY G. R. O. Rice

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O. D. Roberts?
Nobleford Alta.
Feb. 17, 1944.

The Office of Custodian
Alexander T.B.

Dear Sirs:

We have received your letter
which has been written on Feb. 12,
1944.

On the last letter I said "Please
send the stuffs to Littlebridge instead
of Nobleford as we may move out
of this place." I meant some
of the effects that were left in
the house. I wrote what they
~~were~~ to Mr. Stanley Leslie so he is
suppose to send the stuffs. They are
the things that is not dictated on
"J.P." Registration Form.

My new address will be:

% M. J. Jensen,
P.O. Box 122,
Tabor, Alta.

Please write there next.

Yours truly,
G. Murakami

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March 13, 1944.

Mr. Asamatsu MURAKAMI,
Registration No. 04678,
c/o N. J. Jensen,
P. O. Box 122,
TABER, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of February 8th, in which you state that you left your radio with Mr. Lord, Manager of the Phoenix Cannery at Steveston, we contacted Mr. Lord who says he has not got your radio and knows nothing about it.

If you care to write direct to Mr. Lord you might be able to get this matter straightened out between you.

Yours truly,

R. B. Mackenzie,
Protection Department

REM:JS

Usamatsu Murakami
Registration No 04678.
To O. D. Roberts,
R R #1.,
Nobleford. Alta.

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% N. J. Jensen
Box 122
Tabor, Alta. B.C.
April 22, 1944

The office of the Custodian
504 Royal Bank Bldg
Hastings and Grenville
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

We have sold a heater and
Kitchen Range and Boiler for \$80.00
(eighty dollars) to Mr. Stanley
Leslie who is taking care of our
house. He has said he paid
the Custodian so please send
the money immediately as we
need the money badly.
Thanking you.

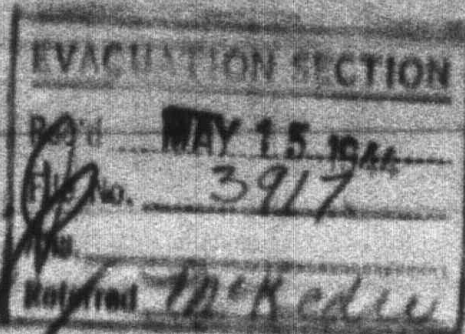
Yours Truly
A. Murakami

A. Murakami
Reg. No. 04678
% N. J. Jensen
P.O. Box 122
Tabor, Alta.

EXHIBIT NO. 707-11
DATE Sept 23/48
FILED BY Drake

EXHIBIT No. 707-12 % N J Jensen B
DATE Sept. 23/48
FILED BY W. A. Rice
P O Box 122,
Tahoe, Alta.

The Office of Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg
Hastings and Granville
Vancouver, B.C.



Dear Sirs.

I have asked you to send
me \$80 (eighty dollars) for the Heater
and Kitchen Range and tank we
have sold to Mr Stanley Leslie but
I don't hear anything from you.
Please send it soon as possible and
also \$120 (Hundred twenty dollars)
for the Bedroom Suite and Chesterfield
sets. I have also sold them to Mr
Stanley Leslie. I will be waiting
to have them sent as I have not
made any money during winter
and need them badly.

W. A. Rice
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Yours truly,
A Murakami
See over

P.S.

I have heard from Mr Stanley
Leslie that you have taken our
stuffs but what did you take
and sold them please send me
the list.

Thank you.

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Rec'd	JUL 4 1944
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Ans.	5/2/44 ABM
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N. J. Jensen
P.O. Box 122,
Taher, Alta
June 30, 1944

The Office of Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings and Granville,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We have sold our Kitchen Range
Heater etc. and Bedroom suite and
Chestfield Set to Mr. Stanley Leslie
and have received the money for
them. But we still had many
furnitures like Dining Room suite,
Kitchen sets, Cabinets, Scale, Vacuum
Cleaner tables and many other things.
I would like to know if you have
sold them and how much you have
sold them for. I would like to have
the money for them as soon as
possible.

Thank you.

Yours truly
A. Murakami

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July 6th, 1944.

Mr. Asamatsu MURAKAMI,
Registration No. Q4678,
P.O. Box 122,
Taber, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

RE: Chattels

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 30th. You will perhaps remember that on the 17th March, 1942, you leased your house at 118 Moncton Street, to Mr. Stan Leslie. One clause of the lease reads: "All furniture and fixtures contained therein". Since that date, you have requested and have had shipped to you, many of your effects, other goods you have sold to Mr. Leslie and been paid for them. All the rest of your effects are in the care of Mr. Leslie, and as long as he is your tenant, we will not sell them. All properties are sold subject to existing lease, which in your case, is for the duration.

Yours truly,

R.B. Mackenzie
Protection Department

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JAPANESE DIVISION
1102-5th Ave. S.
Lethbridge, Alberta,
November 23, 1945.

Dept. of Labour, Japanese Division,
VANCOUVER B.C.

Re: Asamatsu MURAKAMI #04578

The above person was in today enquiring about
their chattels left in British Columbia upon their evacuation.

Apparently these chattels were left in their home
with a Mr. Leslie, who rented their house when they left.

In a letter to them dated July 6, 1944, written
by Mr. Mackenzie, he stated that these chattels are in the care
of this Mr. Leslie, and as long as he is the tenant the custodian
would not sell them. In the letter received by Mr. MURAKAMI in
August from Mr. Leslie, he states that he has no chattels belonging
to these people, as the Custodian took them all.

As these two letters are very conflicting, they ask
that we secure a statement from the Custodian as to the actual
disposition of these chattels. Would you kindly secure this infor-
mation from the Custodian, and forward it to this office at your
earliest convenience. A list of chattels in question is enclosed.

A Wright.

- ✓ 10 PIECE DINING ROOM SUITE ✓
 - ✓ 3 SMALL TABLES ✓
 - ✓ 1 END TABLE ✓
 - ✓ 7 PIECE KITCHEN SUITE ✓
 - ✓ 1 PANTRY ✓
 - ✓ 2 CARD TABLES ✓
 - ✓ 1 BUREAU ✓
 - ✓ 1 VACUUM CLEANER ✓
 - ✓ 2 BEDS
 - ✓ 1 LAWN MOWER ✓
 - ✓ 1 SCALE ✓
- solid steel, anemeter 10*

Custodian
Please advise direct -
Copy this office

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION
W. J. Fisher

Nov 26/45

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November 30, 1945.

Mr. Isamatsu MURAKAMI,
Reg. No. 04978,
P.O. Box 122,
Taber, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your request through the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, with reference to chattels situated at 118 Houston Street, Steveston.

As you are no doubt aware, you omitted to declare chattels on your declaration of April 14, 1942, but later informed us of certain chattels that were left in care of Mr. Stan Leslie. From a copy of a letter which you forwarded to Mr. Leslie some time ago, we notice that other Japanese left household goods with him also. We are enclosing herewith a list of chattels which have been sold by auction and would you kindly check these items and let us know if they are your household goods.

We might call to your attention that when these goods were removed to our warehouse, one bed and spring was tagged with the name "I. KATAI". At the present time this has been credited to his account. Would you kindly let us know if the above Japanese left this bed and spring at your former house?

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

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c.c. Department of Labour, Japanese Division

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 12 1945
File No.	3917
Age	
Religion	Peters

G. N. J. Jensen
P. O. Box 122,
Tabor, Alta

The Office of Custodian
500 Royal Bank Bldg,
Hastings and Grenville,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

We have received your letter and
list of chattels were sold by public
auction at Sturston B.C.

I have checked the list and they
are all my household goods.

Mr. J. Katar had left one bed and
spring at my former house. Have
you credited to his account?

Could you please send me a sum
of one hundred ~~and~~ twenty-five
dollars and fifty-six cents (\$125.56)

which you have sold at auction
as I am old and cannot work
hard enough to make my living
and I would not like to ask

for my relief as long as I ~~have~~ still
have my own money that I could
have.

Could you please check and see
if you have sold the following items
you have omitted:

Heavy Scale *Being out - sold by auction*

Electric Light Stand *OK*

Vacuum Cleaner *✓ OK*

2 Search Lights which has been used on boat

Lawn Mower *✓ OK*

Thank you.

Yours truly
A Murakami

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December 15, 1945.

Mr. Asamatsu MURAKAMI,
Reg. No. 04678,
P.O. Box 122,
Taber, Alta.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of recent date with reference to the list of chattels sent to you recently.

The bed and spring have been credited to Mr. I. Katai's account. Regarding the heavy scale you mentioned, this was sold by auction and credited to your account on September 15, 1944. Mr. Leslie still has in his possession the electric light stand, vacuum cleaner and lawn mower. These items will be picked up and sold at auction in the very near future. No trace can be found of the two search lights you mention in your letter. If you could give us more information as to where these were left in the house it would be helpful.

Very shortly a complete review of your file will be made and when this has been completed the balance of your funds will be forwarded to you.

Yours truly,

GP/dmc

George Peters,
Administration Department

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October 30, 1945.

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Mr. Asanobu MURAKAMI,
Registration No. 04678,
c/o H.J. Jensen,
P.O. Box 122,
Taber, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith our cheque in the amount of \$194.15 which represents your entire balance with the Custodian, also an up to date statement of your account.

The only outstanding items which are still to be sold are an electric light stand, a vacuum cleaner and a lawn mower which are still in the hands of Mr. Stan Leslie.

Upon evacuation, your son Kiyoshi declared a few nets left in your house at 115 Moncton Street, Stoveston, B.C. As it was impossible for this office to identify individual nets, all nets found and sold have been credited to your account. Would you kindly make any arrangements you deem necessary with your son.

Please acknowledge receipt of this cheque.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/lc

Encls (2) - cheque \$194.15
statement of account

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December 12, 1946.

Mr. Asamatsu MURAKAMI,
Registration No. 04673,
c/o H. J. Jensen,
P. O. Box 122,
Taber, Alberta.

Dear Sir

As requested by you through the Department of
Labour, we are enclosing herewith a list of your personal goods which
were sold by auction in the net amount of \$158.15 and credited to your
account with the Custodian.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/ic

Encl. - List of chattels.

File No. 3927

December 12, 1946.

Re: Asanatsu MURAKAMI
Registration No. 04678

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ALL CHATTELS SOLD AT AUCTION AND CREDITED TO
MURAKAMI'S ACCOUNT

Fish tank
Gas tank
2 Lengths rope
China ware
China ware etc.
Miscellaneous kitchenware
Large iron kettle
China ware
China ware
Gramophone records
China ware
2 Peavies and sledge
Boat pump and lamp standard
Wood vice
Fish picks
Fish picks and garden tool
5 Lanterns
10 gal. stone crock
Copper boiler
6 Kitchen chairs
Platform scale
Rocking chair
End table
End table
Dresser and mirror
Dresser and mirror
Dining table, 6 chairs, buffet & china cabinet
China cabinet
Dresser and mirror
Kitchen table and 6 chairs
Kitchen cabinet - 2 sections
Bedstead - no spring
Table
Table

The above chattels sold for a Net amount of \$ 158.15

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March 17th, 1951

Mr. Asamatsu MURAKAMI,
P. O. Box 2,
Stevenson, B. C.

Dear Sir:

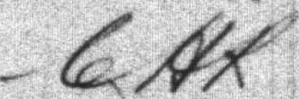
Distribution is now being made from the
assets of the River Fish Company at the rate of \$33.98
per share. You were the holder of 20 shares and payment
to you is as follows:

20 shares	\$ 679.57
Less previously advanced	<u>70.00</u>
	\$ 609.57

Gustodian cheque for this amount is attached
hereto.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,


G. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

CHR:BK
Encl.

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Proof of Claim

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

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

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

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1. Name of Claimant in full: **Asanatsu Murakami**
- Registration No. **04678**
2. Claimant's address at the time of his evacuation from the protected area:
118 Monoton St.
3. Claimant's present address: **Steveston B.C.**
4. Claim relating to real property: **Box 122 c/o N.J. Jensen Taber Alta.**
 - (a) Street address of real property: **Monoton Road**
 - (b) Legal description of property:
Lot "e" of Lots Seven(7) Ten (10) and Eleven (11) of Block Eight (8) of part of Section Eleven (11) Block (1) Three (3) North Range Seven (7) West Map 4466 in the District of New Westminster.
 - (11) Residence. **28' x 38' stucco, full basement and two storey**
Fully insured by the Acadia Fire Insurance Co. and North West Fire Insurance Co.

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

Mixed farming Land

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

Certificate of Indefeasible Title.

Title No. 82861X.

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

(I) Land— \$ **11,500.00**

(II) Buildings— \$ **18,000.00**

**Received from the Custodian
for the land and the building \$2,917.57**

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

\$ 3,582.13

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

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

Claimant's residence

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

Claimant's residence

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

Office of the Custodian

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

Fishing Boat	\$2,000.00
Gill Nets	500.00
Household goods and Furniture	120.00
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	\$2,620.00

Received from Custodian :-	
Gill nets	\$150.00
Furniture	120.00
Cook Stove	80.00
Auction on Chattels	100.15
Fishing Equipment	88.00
Fishing boat	1,300.00
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	\$1,838.15

ref. to Fishing boat - sold through Navy

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

\$1,838.15

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

7. An Interpreter will ☒ be required.

DATED this

20th

November
day of October, A.D. 1947.

November

Samuel Sanderson
Witness to Signature of Claimant.

Shamster Murakami
Signature of Claimant.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

Alamatar Muralani

(Full Name of Claimant)

of **Box 122 c/o H.J. Jensen Taber, Alta**
(Present Address) (Occupation)
Farm Labour

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.
2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.
3. The above Claim is true and correct.
4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:

fishing boat	\$1,300.00	for land and
Bill Pate	150.00	building
Furniture	120.00	\$2,917.87
Cook Stove	80.00	
Auction on Chattels	150.15	
Fishing Equipment	80.00	

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

DECLARED at **Taber**

in the Province of Alberta,

this **20th** day of **November**

A.D. 1947.

Alamatar Muralani

Samson Sanderson

A Commissioner for Oaths in and for
the Province of Alberta.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Claim No. **69**

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM

The Following are Particulars of the Claim:

1. Claimant's Name In Full: **Asanatsu MURAKAMI**

2. Registration Number: **04678**

EXHIBIT No. 707-1
DATE Sept. 23/48
FILED BY W. A. Russell

3. Present Address: **Box 122, c/o H.J. Jensen, Taber, Alberta.**

4. Address Prior To Evacuation: **118 Moncton St., STEVESTON, B.C.**

J.F. form values auto & line 800⁰⁰
claim form do 500⁰⁰

J.F. form declares farm implements 60⁰⁰
In other chattels declared. - Chattels left with bank
who had power of atty to sell.

Fishing Boat claim 2000⁰⁰ dropped.

5. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Parcel 1.

(If more than one parcel, list each separately, beginning as Parcel 1, Parcel 2, etc. with following particulars covering each parcel separately on individual sheets)

Lot "e" of Lots Seven (7), Ten (10), and Eleven (11), of Block Eight (8), of Part of Section Eleven (11), Block Three (3) North Range Seven (7), West Map 4486 in the District of New Westminster.

- (a) Nearest Post Office adjacent to land. **Steveston, B.C.**
 (b) Number of acres: **2.5**
 (c) When purchased: **March 1929.**
 (d) Condition when purchased: (Give improvements and values in detail as of date of purchase)
All cleared and one half acre planted in Strawberries. One barn which was in fairly good condition.

(e) Purchase Price **\$1,500.00**

6. IMPROVEMENTS:

(a)	Clearing.....acres at \$.....per acre	\$	nil
(b)	Fencing wire fence, 500' approx.	\$	50.00
(c)	Tillage	\$	50.00
(d)	Drainage	\$	
(e)	Weed Eradication	\$	50.00
(f)	Planting 1 ac. of Loganberries	\$	100.00
	30 fruit trees.....		60.00
(g)	TOTAL		160.00
(h)		\$	
	Total	\$	310.00
	Carried Forward	\$	1,810.00

Brought forward

\$1,810.00

(i) Buildings:

ITEM	SIZE	YEAR BUILT	MATERIAL COST	LABOR COST	COST (TOTAL)
Dwelling house, 1 1/2 Storeys, stucco finish	30 x 34	1937	\$4,500.00	\$1,800.00	\$6,300.00
Garage	14 x 20	1937	500.00	200.00	500.00

Total Cost of Buildings

\$6,800.00

\$6,800.00

Total Cost of Land and All Improvements

\$ 2,610.00

Fair Market Value

\$ 6,500.00

Sold by Custodian for

\$ 2,892.00

Loss Claimed on Parcel 1

\$ 3,608.00

8. Assessment for 1942:

Land \$ 652.00

Improvements \$3,600.00

Total \$4,252.00

9. Appraisal or Valuation (by Custodian):

Lands	\$ 625.00
Improvements	\$3090.00 (Total present day value of Buildings)
Total	<u>\$ 3,715.00</u>

10. Rental Value per Year: \$ 600.00

11. Fire Insurance on Buildings:

(List amount on each building):

Dwelling house	\$1,500.00 (with North West Fire Insurance Company)
"	\$1,500.00 (with Acadia Insurance Co.)
TOTAL	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>
	\$

12. Documents in Support:

- (a) Photographs: of dwelling house (2) pictures, one showing front view, the other the back view of house.
- (b) Deeds Certificate of Title to Property.
- (c) Agreements to Purchase
- (d) Leases
- (e) Insurance Policies (1) North West Fire Insurance Company
- (f) Correspondence Statement of Sale of Property from Custodian dated April 18, 1944.
- (g)
- (h)

Parcel 2:- (Add additional sheets if necessary)

(Give exactly the same information as in paragraphs 5 to 12 above)

13. SUMMARY OF LOSSES ON REAL PROPERTY:

Parcel 1 \$,608.00

Parcel 2 \$

Parcel 3 \$

Parcel 4 \$

TOTAL:

\$3,608.00

NETS, CORK LINES & LEAD LINES

TYPE	PLY	SIZE	MESH	FATHOMS	SEASONS USED	PRICE NEW	ESTIMATED VALUE	REMARKS
Nets								
1.	4	5 1/2	50	75	2	\$75.00	\$40.00	<i>Little values</i> <i>100 2nd 2 1/2"</i> <i>25"</i> <i>75"</i> <i>45"</i> <i>100 2nd 50"</i> <i>8 nets on list but</i>
2.	5/8	6 1/2	50	200	2	200.00	85.00	
3.	4	5 1/2	55	150	1	100.00	45.00	
4.	4	5 7/8	50	75	2	75.00	25.00	
5.	4	5 3/8	50	100	2	100.00	40.00	
6.	5/8	7	50	150	2	120.00	40.00	
7.	4	5 7/8	50	50	2	50.00	20.00	
8.	4	5 3/4	50	50	2	50.00	25.00	
9.	9/10	9 1/2	35	50	2	50.00	30.00	
10.	9/10	9	40	140	1	140.00	80.00	
11.	5	5 3/8	50	75	2	75.00	25.00	
						TOTAL	\$445.00	
<u>ALL THE ABOVE NETS WERE BARBOUR NETS</u>								
Cork Lines								
1. (with corks)				1200	2 or 3	\$150.00	\$70.00	<i>+ Set lines</i>
Lead Lines								
1. (with lead)				1200	2 or 3	\$150.00	\$60.00	

Total Value (of nets and lines)..... \$575.00

Sold by Custodian for..... \$238.00

Claim \$337.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

ITEM	YEAR PURCHASED	PRICE PAID	VALUE	REMARKS
Fish Tank	1940	\$ 15.00	\$ 12.00	
14 Gas tanks	1940	14.00	10.00	
3 lengths of rope 500' 1 1/2" in diameter	1941	30.00	30.00	
china ware	1940	25.00	25.00	
misc. kitchen ware	1937	15.00	10.00	
large iron kettle	1937	15.00	10.00	
china ware	1937	8.00	10.00	should be 4.00 ^{add} 6.50
gramophone records	1937	30.00	15.00	
2 peevies and sledge hammer	1935	5.00	2.50	
boat pump	1941	5.00	5.00	
lamp standard	1941	7.00	5.00	
wood vice	1935	2.00	1.00	
fish picks	1937	5.00	3.00	
garden tools	1937	25.00	15.00	
5 lanterns	1940	5.00	2.50	
10 gallon crock	1941	3.00	3.00	
copper boiler	1940	5.00	2.50	
6 kitchen chairs	1937	7.50	6.00	
platform scale	1938	65.00	45.00	
end table	1937	1.00	50.50	
end table	1940	1.00	.50	
rocking chair	1940	5.00	5.00	
dresser and mirror	1937	25.00	15.00	
dresser and mirror	1935	5.00	3.00	
dining table, 6 chairs, buffet and china cabinet	1940	140.00	120.00	
dresser and mirror	1940	10.00	8.00	
china cabinet	1937	35.00	20.00	
kitchen table and 6 chairs	1938	40.00	30.00	
kitchen cabinet (two sections)	1941	15.00	10.00	
X bedstead (no springs)	1940	20.00	10.00	
table	1940	2.50	1.50	
table	1940	2.50	1.50	
X chesterfield suite	1940	120.00	100.00	
X heater stove	1941	40.00	30.00	
two search lights	1941	26.00	18.00	
1 compass	1941	12.00	12.00	
fishing line	1940	35.00	20.00	
vacuum cleaner	1941	65.00	55.00	
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$654.00</u> ✓	
		<u>error</u>	<u>6.00</u> X	
			<u>648.00</u>	

(ADD ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY)

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

PAYMENTS RECEIVED FROM CUSTODIAN ON
PERSONAL PROPERTY

<u>Item:</u>	<u>Year:</u>	<u>Month:</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
SEE LIST OF GOODS SOLD, DATE, PRICE ETC., ON AUCTION STATEMENTS ATTACHED.			\$158.15

Total: \$ 158.15

Total Claim for Personal Property \$ 654.00

Deduct Payments from Custodian \$ 158.15

Net Loss on Personal Property \$ 495.85

I Certify the above to be True and Correct.

Chas. H. Smith
Witness

A. Murakami
Signature of Claimant.

File No. 3917

Name: MURAKAMI, Asamatsu

Date: 17th of March, 1942.

Lessor: MURAKAMI, Asamatsu

Lessee: Stanley Leslie

Property Land: "C" of Lot 7, 10 & 11, Block 3 North, Range 7 West,
Map 4466.

Consideration: One Dollar (\$1.00)

Terms: None

Buildings: Yes, house.

Chattels: All furniture and fixtures contained therein. Inventory
is attached. Inventory which is hereby made part of this
agreement. Note: no inventory attached.

GP:EB

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Name of Claimant **MURAKAMI, ANNALISA**Case **707**Custodian File **3927**

<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										Total		
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village					
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices		Sale Price			Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices	
						% of Total	Amount				% of Total	Amount
					2892.		1613.34				1613.34	
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>												
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear										
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column					
<u>NETS</u>												
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price							
			287.50 135.00	905.00	225.00	72.75						
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS</u>												
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price					
998.00	286.05	61.81	51.77	150.00	77.65			139.46				
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										1625.55		

Defence Brief

ARAKATSU MURAKAMI

File No. 3917

Case No. 707 ✓

LETHBRIDGE
23 Sept. 48
V.L.A. Deal

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Real Property Claim

\$6500.00

Appraised at

\$2945.00

Sold for

\$2892.00

Witness: H. L. Sinclair, Appraiser.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

2. Chattel Claim

\$654.00

Less error 6.00

\$648.00 as per Ex. 707-1 page 7

A new Analysis of P.P. Claim has been drawn up to conform with Ex. 707-12.

(a) Goods valued by
claimant at 398.00 Sold at auction for 206.05.

Witnesses: Thompson & B., Auctioneers.
Harris, attended sales.

(b) Goods valued at 30.00[†] Lost, destroyed or stolen.

Claimant claims "Heating stove" 30.00
Records indicate that a "boiler stove"
was removed from claimant's house to
#3 warehouse, Steveston and was missing
when goods were auctioned. It is
suggested that 10. to 15.00 would
more than cover the loss.

Witness: C.C. Robinson. ✓

(c) Goods valued at 70.00[†] Declared and not found.

Garden tools 15.00)
Vacuum Cleaner 55.00)

Small farm implements \$60.00 were
declared in J.P. form. The vacuum
cleaner was only brought to Cust.
attention later, but none of these
goods were handed over to Custodian
by claimant's tenant.

Witness: C.C. Robinson.

(d) Goods valued at 50.00 Undeclared and not found.
(Searchlights, compass, fishing line)

Witness: C.C. Robinson.

- (e) Goods valued at 100.00 Sold to tenant -- included with bedroom suite. Ex.707-12 and Trans. 20 lines 25-27.

3. Fishing Nets Claim

\$575.00

- (a) Goods valued at 287.50 Sold by tender for 223.00

No record of an independent appraisal.

Witnesses: C.C. Robinson
Harris.

- (b) Goods valued at 25.00 Declared but not found.

8 nets only reported by claimant's tenant plus two sold & remitted for direct Ex.1 claims 11

- (c) Goods valued at 45.00 Lost, destroyed or stolen.

Witnesses: C.C. Robinson
Harris.

Harris reported that cork and lead lines were rotten and of no value except as loose corks & leads. Leads were put into #3 warehouse but were missing when goods were auctioned. \$45.00 is definitely excessive for lead only.

- (d) Goods valued at 65.00 Abandoned.

Witness: Harris.

- (e) Goods valued at 152.50 Sold by claimant's tenant who remitted proceeds direct to claimant. See Leslie's letter 12 Sept.42. 2 nets and 1 set lines - 1 cork and 1 lead. With the exception of 2 (b) and 3 (c) which are for goods which came into custody of the Custodian, any other missing articles were left under the Custody, control or management of someone other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property.

This defence was not submitted by Government Counsel therefore probably a letter should be sent to claimant's counsel advising him of the additional defence, Agency. Claimant turned over all property to one, S. Leslie and gave him a power of Attorney to manage everything for him.

Submission: That the real property was sold for its fair market value. That the chattels were sold for their fair market value. That the chattels claimed for in the original claim had no details to what their values were so that a proper valuation could not be made of the same. That the fishing nets were sold for their fair market value. It is on the record that the fishing vessel has been abandoned.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
PART I. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 92.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION.

BEFORE

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE L. H. STACK, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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Lothbridge, Alberta,
September 23rd, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
ASAMATSU MURAKAMI.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

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APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government.

W.S. RUSSELL, Esq.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,

Secretary.

MRS. LUCIE HANFORD,

Official Interpreter.

S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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A. Murakami,
Discussion.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 707, Asanetsuy Murakami.

MR. RUSSELL: Your Honour, it appears that an amendment is necessary in this file. He is now claiming for real property in the sum of \$3608.00 and for personal property \$495.85.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: How does it happen, Mr. Russell, that all these amendments appear to be necessary in these claims? In November, 1947, he makes a claim setting out in detail all the assets and effects and now he files a new claim.

MR. RUSSELL: Well, in some cases payments have been received from the Custodian which amends the amounts that are claimed. In other cases they have taken articles which are wrongly claimed as real property and moved them into the personal property claim, and in other cases it is a straight revision of the claim; but there are several factors which contribute, your Honour.

MR. RICE: The original claim for the land is, I take it, the same. They valued the land at \$1500.00 and the buildings \$5000.00, and that stands according to the summary of evidence my learned friend is now producing.

MR. RUSSELL: There is quite a small amendment, as there was a mathematical error made.

MR. RICE: In the chattels there is quite a difference. They were claimed at \$950.00 and it is being amended to \$654.00. The nets were being claimed for at \$500.00, and the claim to the same now, that is, with the nets and lines, amounts to

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A. Murakami,
In Chief.

\$575.00. So long as it is clear for the purpose of the record that the statement of evidence that my learned friend now intends to file is his correct claim, it will be all right.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. RUSSELL: I think in this particular case the large change is a fishing boat.

MR. RICE: That has been dropped?

10 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: The claim for the fishing boat has been dropped?

MR. RICE: Yes, the claim for the fishing boat has been dropped; \$2000.00 was the claim for that.

MR. RUSSELL: Often it has come about, sir, through the fact that there was this agency set up to sell fishing boats, and at the time the claimants made these claims they were not exactly aware of what the legal effect was with respect to the boats.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: All right.

20 ASAMATSU MURAKAMI, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

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

A Yes.

Q You no doubt are familiar with the contents of this document?

A: Yes.

Q It was prepared from material and facts which you yourself supplied?

A: Yes.

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A. Murakami,
In Chief.

Q This is your signature at the end?

A Yes.

Q This document contains a summary of the evidence upon which your claim is based?

A Yes.

Q It is true and correct to the best of your knowledge, information and belief? A: Yes.

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

(SUMMARY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

10 MR. RUSSELL: I would ask my learned friend to let me have a picture which he has in his file, the 1943 tax notice, and the appraisal by Mr. Mather dated the 28th of April, 1942.

(DOCUMENTS in question to Mr. Russell)

Q Do you recognize this first photograph which appears to be the back entrance?

A That is my house.

Q Is this the house for which you are claiming?

A Yes.

20 Q Who are these people at the back door there?

A My daughter and my wife.

Q I am showing you another picture (indicating); is this of the same house?

A Yes, that is the front view.

Q Are these the same people in front, those two?

Those are your daughters? A: Yes.

Q And this is the house for which you are claiming?

A Yes.

MR. RUSSELL: I put those two in as one exhibit.

30 (PHOTOGRAPHS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

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A. Murahani,
In Chief.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: I am showing you another picture
(indicating); is that of the same house?

A Yes.

Q You recognize that as your own house?

A Yes.

MR. RUSSELL: I will put that in.

MR. RICE: That is a photo from the Custodian's file
that is going in as Exhibit Three?

MR. RUSSELL: Yes.

10 (PHOTOGRAPH MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. RUSSELL: I have here a tax notice from the Corporation
of the Township of Richmond for the year 1943
showing the land at \$4252.00. I will put that in;
it is from the Custodian's file.

(NOTICE MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. RUSSELL: And I have here an appraisal taken from
the Custodian's file...

MR. RICE: ...That isn't an appraisal, it is a report.

MR. RUSSELL: Or a report, rather, from the Custodian's
20 file, made the 28th of April, 1942, and signed by
one J. B. Mather, which I will likewise put in.

(REPORT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

MR. RUSSELL: Q: Mr. Murahani, do you remember a representa-
tive of the Custodian's office coming to your house
in Moncton and speaking to you about your nets?

A Yes, they came to talk about the nets.

Q And will you tell His Honour just the substance of
the conversation you had with the Custodian?

A After I had reported what nets I had, this man
30 came from the Custodian's office to take an inventory

A. Marakani,
In Chief.

and make a list. He came to check to see whether the nets were all as I had reported them.

Q Did he find that they were? A: Yes, they checked them and found them as reported.

Q What was the name of this man who checked the nets?

A Tom King, a returned soldier.

Q And the nets which you showed him and which you had declared are the nets for which you are now claiming, is that correct? A: Yes.

10 Q I believe you have added to your summary of evidence two lines totalling \$130.00, which were not mentioned in your proof of claim, is that correct?

A I overlooked those and forgot to put them in my original claim.

Q Were those lines shown to Mr. King?

A Yes.

Q Thank you.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the real property was sold for its fair market value.

20 I am submitting that the chattels were sold for their fair market value. I am submitting that the chattels claimed for in the original claim had no detail as to what their values were so that a proper valuation could not be made of the same.

I am submitting that the fishing nets were sold for their fair market value.

It is on the record that the fishing vessel has been abandoned.

30 I submit as an exhibit a farm appraisal report respecting the land.

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A. Marchant,
Cross Exam.

(APPRAISAL REPORT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. RICH: I wish to submit as one exhibit summaries
respecting the real and personal property.

(SUMMARIES MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. RICH:

Q I show you a J.P. form dated the 14th day of
April, 1942 (indicating); is that your signature
to that document?

A: Yes.

10 Q That is your J.P. form?

A: Yes.

MR. RICH: I tender the claimant's J.P. form as an
exhibit.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. RICH: Q: Before you were evacuated you leased
your property to Stanley Lealie? A: Yes.

Q And you went to your lawyer and had a Power of
Attorney prepared giving Stanley Lealie authority
to sell your goods and chattels?

A The Power of Attorney gave him permission to move
into the house but not to sell the goods.

20 Q Why would he need a Power of Attorney to move into
the house?

A: I was

afraid that in case during my absence the place
were broken into by burglars that it would cause
a good deal of trouble if there were no Power of
Attorney.

30 MR. RUSSELL: Excuse me, your Honour. I have the Power
of Attorney here, if my learned friend wants to
put it in. There is certainly no power to sell
in this Power of Attorney.

A. Marakani,
Cross Exam.

MR. RICE: I am just quoting from a letter.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Oh, you had better use the Power of Attorney.

MR. RICE: Yes. My learned friend is correct, your Honour. I was just referring to a letter written by the same law firm that prepared this Power of Attorney in which they stated,

10 "Upon instructions we prepared a Power of Attorney from Mr. Marakani in favour of Mr. Leslie whereby Mr. Leslie was authorized to take possession of the property mentioned by you and to manage the same."

It only covers that part.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Are you filing the Power of Attorney?

MR. RICE: No, I don't think it is necessary to file it.

It was just to manage the property and to take possession of the same.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

20 MR. RICE: Q: You turned over possession of the property to Mr. Leslie before you were evacuated?

A Yes.

Q Did you authorize Mr. Leslie to sell your notes?

A I had reported them to the Custodian and the Custodian stopped the arrangement.

Q Stopped the arrangement. You had made arrangements to sell, had you?

A: Yes, there was some talk of it being sold, but Stanley told me that the Custodian now had charge of them and that he couldn't sell them.

30 Q Why didn't Stanley sell the notes and turn the money

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in to the Custodian? I mean Mr. Leslie.

A I received a letter from Mr. Leslie saying that the Custodians now had charge of the notes and, therefore, he couldn't sell them.

Q Have you got that letter? A: It is quite likely at home, but unless I search for it I don't know whether I have it or not.

Q Didn't Mr. Leslie sell some of your property and you wrote and asked the Custodian to send the money that Mr. Leslie had paid into the Custodian for the sale of that property, or chattels?

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A Yes, that is correct. There were certain articles of furniture which Mr. Leslie wanted to buy, and he paid the money in to the Custodian.

Q And the Custodian paid you? A: Yes, and I received payment from the Custodian.

Q Did you not sell some notes before you went away, before you were evacuated? A: Not after registering with the Custodian.

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Q No, but before registering with the Custodian did you sell some notes? A: Yes, I sold one before registering with the Custodian.

Q One? A: Yes.

Q Only one? A: Yes.

Q I show you a list of chattels with your name on it; is that your signature?

A Yes.

Q Did you send that list of chattels to Mr. Leslie?

A No, I believe this is a list that I supplied to the Custodian; it is not a complete list, there

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A. Murakami,
Cross Exam.

are some things left out.

Q Why didn't you supply a complete list then?

A It would have been too complicated.

Q When you supplied that to the Custodian, did you write a letter with it?

A The details were all reported at the time of registration at evacuation, so that I didn't send a very detailed letter with it.

Q Well, did you write a letter with it at all, or do you know?

A I can't be certain. I didn't write it myself. I had somebody write it for me, and I can't be sure whether there was a covering letter or not.

Q Why didn't you put on there that the list was not a complete list, or were you trying to fool the Custodian?

A: These were all the big, expensive items, and these were the most important, so that I didn't put the other small things in.

Q Well, when you sent that list to the Custodian, it was your intention that the Custodian would be responsible in looking after the same, is that it, and only those things on that list?

A Not necessarily, but these were the big, important and expensive items.

MR. RICE: All right. I tender the list or inventory to which the claimant's name is signed, and which he says that he sent to the Custodian.

MR. RUSSELL: Is that inventory dated?

MR. RICE: I don't believe it is. It bears no date.

A. Murakami,
Cross Exam.

(INVENTORY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 9).

MR. RICE: Q: I think you stated a few minutes ago that Mr. Leslie sold me nets for you?

A: Mr. Leslie did sell some nets and paid the money to the Custodian, which I afterwards received from the Custodian.

Q: Well, Mr. Leslie in a letter to C. B. Wilson, I think it is, said,

"Regarding the nets and lines, I have sold two nets and one set lines, the money has been forward to him. I think that I will be able to sell balance of fall nets for him. This is the arrangement I had with him."

That is a letter that Stanley Leslie wrote regarding the nets and lines.

A: He doesn't understand that.

Q: He said that he sold two nets and one set of lines and he sent the money to you, is that right?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Perhaps you had better have it interpreted.

A: I can't be sure of that.

MR. RICE: Q: It is this paragraph here (indicating) I am reading.

MR. RUSSELL: You might explain what that is to the claimant so that he knows what you are talking about.

A: This may be something in connection with my son's nets. I had two or three fishermen come who all had nets, but as far as I am concerned I only sold one that was registered and all the rest were upstairs.

MR. RICE: Q: Yes, but this is a case where Leslie writes

A. Murakami,
Cross Exam.

that he had sold two nets and one set of lines
belonging to you and sent the money to you direct;
is that correct or not? A: I think

my boy must have received the money.

Q Your boy must have received the money for your
nets; you didn't receive it? A: It may have
been his own nets because some of his were left
with mine.

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Q He isn't writing about his own nets, he is writing
about your nets, and I am asking whether that
statement is correct or not?

A No, I didn't receive anything direct. My son may
have, and I have received other money from the
Custodian for certain nets and which nets the money
applied to I don't know.

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MR. RICE: I would like that letter marked for identifica-
tion. I realize that the contents do not bind
the claimant here. It is a letter dated September
12th, 1942, written by S. Leslie or signed "S.
Leslie" and addressed to C.D. or O.D., I believe it
is, Wilson.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Someone in the Custodian's
department?

MR. RICE: I think he is an officer employed in the
Custodian's department. It is written from
Stevenson, B. C.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT "A" FOR IDENTIFICATION)

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MR. RICE: Qs I show you a letter dated February 6th,
1944 (indicating); is that your signature? It
is addressed to the Custodian.

A. Murakami,
Cross Exam.

A Yes, that is my signature.

MR. RICE: I produce this letter as an exhibit,
your Honour, a letter written by the claimant
to the Custodian under date of February 8th, 1944,
in which he says,

"I would like you to sell all my furnitures,
including all the effects that were left in
the house with best prices as possible as I do
not make much money on working boats with my old
age. And I would hate to get relief so please
try and send the money.

"We let Mr. B. Rhodes (I don't know if I have
spelt his name right or not) (He was the manager
of Phoenix Cannery of Steveston, B.C.) have my
radio before we came here, I wonder if you could
get it from him and sell it.

"Please send me the price lists of all the
things after being sold."

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 10).

MR. RICE: Q: You sold your heater and kitchen range and
boiler to Mr. Leslie?

A: Yes.

Q For \$40.00?

A: Yes.

Q And you also sold Mr. Leslie a bed-room suite and
chesterfield suite?

A: Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is he claiming for those?

MR. RICE: He is claiming for part of these. There is
a bedstead that is in the list of personal property,
and there is a chesterfield suite and a heater stove.

MR. RUSSELL: I think we can probably clarify that by
asking if these are the same articles filed in

A. Murahani,
Cross Exam.

that he had sold two notes and one set of lines belonging to you and sent the money to you direct; is that correct or not? A: I think my boy must have received the money.

Q Your boy must have received the money for your notes; you didn't receive it? A: It may have been his own note because some of his were left with mine.

10 Q He isn't writing about his own note, he is writing about your note, and I am asking whether that statement is correct or not?

A No, I didn't receive anything direct. My son may have, and I have received other money from the Custodian for certain notes and which note the money applied to I don't know.

MR. RICE: I would like that letter marked for identification. I realize that the contents do not bind the claimant here. It is a letter dated September 12th, 1942, written by S. Leslie or signed "S. Leslie" and addressed to C.D. or G.D., I believe it is, Wilson.

20 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Someone in the Custodian's department?

MR. RICE: I think he is an officer employed in the Custodian's department. It is written from Steveston, B. C.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT "A" FOR IDENTIFICATION)

30 MR. RICE: Qs I show you a letter dated February 6th, 1944 (indicating); is that your signature? It is addressed to the Custodian.

A. Murakami,
Cross Exam.

his claim.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: All right, do that.

MR. RICE: Q: Is the chesterfield suite that you sold Mr. Lealie the same one that you are now claiming \$100.00 for?

A: No, these are different.

Q These are different?

A: Yes.

Q How many chesterfield suites did you have?

A I am afraid the witness misunderstood the question.

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He didn't understand what a chesterfield suite was.

MR. RUSSELL: Does he know it by the name of parlour suite?

MR. RICE: It is listed as chesterfield suite?

Q How many chesterfield suites did he have? Apparently he understands what the chesterfield suite was.

MR. RUSSELL: This was translated, of course, and the translation might have been different.

MR. RICE: Oh, we will get it.

MR. RUSSELL: Pardon me, your honour...

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MR. RICE: ...I don't know why the interpreter can't get the answer out of him first.

MR. RUSSELL: I was going to say, your honour, that the word "sofa" and the word "chesterfield" are used synonymously. I think if the word "sofa" were used he would understand.

MR. RICE: My learned friend has prepared a summary of evidence and he has taken an oath to God that it is correct, and if he doesn't know what it means, why does he put such things as chesterfield suites in it, if the claimant doesn't know what he is talking about.

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A No, I sold the bed set.

A. Murahani,
Cross Exam.

Q I show you a letter addressed to the Custodian dated April 22nd, 1944 (indicating); did you write that letter, or have it written for you?

A No, I didn't write this; if it were mine I would have signed it.

Q All right, did you have it written for you?

MR. RUSSELL: I suggest that the letter should be read to him before you suggest if it was written by him or had it written for him.

10 MR. RICE: Yes, he is hedging on this a bit because it is tied up with the Chesterfield suite. Read the letter to him.

A Yes, I remember the sale of these articles at \$80.00.

Q And you had that letter written, you say now, to the Custodian for you? A: Yes, this is written by a relative.

Q Written by a relative? A: Yes.

Q Under your instructions? A: Yes, I believe so. It is a long time ago so that I do not remember clearly, but I believe it must be so.

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MR. RICE: I will ask that that letter be marked, your Honour. It is dated at Taber, Alberta, April 22nd, 1944, written on instructions of the claimant to the office of the Custodian he said by a relative of his.

"We have sold a heater and kitchen range and boiler for \$80.00 to Mr. Stanley Leslie who is taking care of our house. He has said he paid the Custodian so please send the money immediately as we need the money badly."

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A. Marchand,
Gross Exam.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 11).

MR. RICE: Q: I show you another letter apparently written in the same handwriting, purporting to have been written by you to the Custodian. It is undated but, apparently, was received in the Custodian's office in May. Perhaps you had better interpret that document and ask him if it was written for him.

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A: Yes, I remember this being sent, but I was under the impression that this was only for the bed-room suite and that it didn't include the chesterfield suite.

MR. RICE: I tender it, your honour, as an exhibit. I think the letter speaks for itself.

Q: You had this letter sent for you? A: Yes.

Q: And it was written by the same relative that wrote Exhibit 117

A: Yes.

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MR. RICE: It is dated Taber, Alberta, written apparently for the claimant by a relative, addressed to the Custodian in Vancouver.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: What date?

MR. RICE: It is undated, but it was received in the Custodian's office May 15th, '44, according to the stamp on the letter.

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"I have asked you to send me \$50.00 for the heater and kitchen range and tank we have sold to Mr. Stanley Leslie but I don't hear anything from you. Please send it soon as possible and also \$120.00 for the bed-room

A. Murakami,
Cross Exam.

suite and chesterfield sets, I have also sold them to Mr. Stanley Leslie. I will be waiting to have them sent as I have not made any money during winter so I need them badly.

"Yours truly,

"A. Murakami"

Then there is a P.S., sir,

"I have heard from Mr. Stanley Leslie that you have taken our stuffs but what did you take and sold them please send me the list. Thank you."

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 12)

MR. RICE: Q: So your evidence now is that you sold the chesterfield suite to Mr. Leslie but you didn't remember that you did?

A: No, I didn't remember the fact that the chesterfield suite was included in the letter that I just saw.

Q: You didn't remember the fact that you had committed yourself in the letter, isn't that it?

A: I remember the letter quite clearly, but I didn't remember that the chesterfield suite was included with the bed-room suite or not.

Q: Well, that letter ought to revive your memory. It is clear now that you did sell the chesterfield suite to Stanley Leslie?

A: There must have been some misunderstanding at the time I had that letter written for me. It was my impression that the chesterfield suite was not included in with the bed-room suite.

Q: But, as a matter of fact, you sold the chesterfield suite to Stanley Leslie and were paid for it along

A. Marakani,
Cross Exam.

with the bed-room suite?

A: I remember receiving the \$120.00, but I was under the impression that that was for the bed-room suite.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I wonder if Mr. Leslie gave a statement or a list to the Custodian of the things that he purchased or not.

MR. RICE: I don't know, but there is a letter from the claimant to the Custodian which makes it very plain that Mr. Leslie bought the chesterfield suite and paid the money.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: It wouldn't take long to clear it up from Mr. Leslie to show what he did buy.

MR. RICE: The claimant here is the one that should clear it up. He mentioned it from memory that he forgot about it, but it is clear from the letter that he sold the bed-room suite and the chesterfield suite for \$120.00. This is about six years ago and his memory has lapsed a bit on it.

Q I show you three release forms, one dated September 24th, 1943, another March 23rd, 1943, and another March 11th, 1943. Will you look at these and tell me whether your signatures are on these three releases? Is that your signature (indicating)? He can say "Yes" or "No" to that, surely. He is getting very fey.

A Yes, that is my signature.

Q That is your signature to all three releases?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: I wish to tender these releases, your honour, as one exhibit, to which are attached the Canadian

A. Murakami,
Re Direct.

Pacific Railway company waybills. The release of September 24th, 1943, releases a food chopper, comforter, wedding pictures, two bookcases with books inside, all aluminum pots and pans, kitchen utensils of all kinds, include dishes of all sorts, book cabinet with drawer at bottom (varnish finished).

10 The release of March 22nd or 23rd, 1943, releases two boxes of carpenter tools; and the release of March 11th, 1943, releases one sewing machine, three springs, one crib and spring, three mattresses, bed comforters, two beds, cedar chest, massage machine, kitchen-ware, home-made bureau."

(RELEASES MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 13).

MR. RICE: That is all, thanks.

RE DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

Q Mr. Murakami, how old are you now?
A 67.
Q 67?
A: Yes.
20 Q How many sons have you? A: Three.
Q What are their names? A: Kiyoshi,
Atsushi and Tsunoyuki.
Q Were your sons all fishermen? A: Yes.
Q Do you read or speak or write English?
A No.
Q You had Exhibit 12 written on your behalf to the
Custodian, and that was the letter which says
that the \$120.00 which you are asking was for
the bed-room suite and chesterfield suite?
30 A What was the question?

A. Murahani,
Re Direct.

BY THE REPORTER: "You had Exhibit 12 written on your behalf to the Custodian, and that was the letter which says that the \$120.00 which you are asking was for the bed-room suite and chesterfield suite?"

A Yes, it was written for me by a relative.

Q Now, at the time this letter was written, did you know you were accepting \$120.00 for the bed-room suite and the chesterfield suite, or did you think that it was for one or the other of those articles?

10 A At the time that letter was written it was my understanding that the bed-room suite was to be sold for \$120.00.

Q The bed-room suite alone? A: The bed-room suite alone.

Q So that you didn't forget; it was a straight misunderstanding, is that correct?

A At the time it was written for me it was intended that the bed-room suite would be \$120.00.

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Q Well, now, unfortunately, it appears that you have sold that chesterfield suite and you have also claimed for a chesterfield suite in your summary of evidence. Do you still want to claim for the chesterfield suite in view of your letter of this date in spite of your misunderstanding?

A Well, as it appears to have been a misunderstanding I suppose I had better withdraw the claim at this time.

Q You received money, I think you have told us that you received money from Mr. Lealie for one set?

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A Yes.

A. Murakami,
Re-Cross-Exam.

Q What is all the money that you received for fishing
nets from Mr. Leslie? A: Yes, that
is all.

Q That is all the questions I have.

RE-CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q Just one or two items that I overlooked. How much
are you claiming for chinaware?

10 A There is several different items there; are you
referring to the nets?

Q Well, there is one item of chinaware, I was just
wondering how much you are claiming for that.
Hold on, there is another chinaware item, or is
it doubled up here? You have chinaware that you
paid \$6.00 for in 1940 and you now say it is worth
\$16.50, is that right?

A No, there is a mistake there somewhere.

Q There is a mistake somewhere?

A Yes, that shouldn't be.

20 Q Well, what should it be?

MR. RUSSELL: Your honour, I think that figure is \$6.50.

MR. RICE: It is \$16.50 on the copy I have.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: It is a typographical error.

MR. RICE: Just a minute. What do you say it is worth?

My that seems to be a hard question to answer.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He does not seem to understand
Japanese either.

A About half.

MR. RICE: Q: About half. That would be \$4.00 then,

30 is that right?

A: If it cost

A. Murakami,
Re-Cross-Exam.

\$6.00 it should be worth that.

Q I don't know what it cost, but that is what you said you paid for it. You have taken an oath that you paid \$6.00 for this chinaware in 1940, so that you say now \$4.00 would be the right value on it?

A It shouldn't be anything down there as cheap as that.

Q There is a whole lot of things cheaper than that. You have got a lot of things down on the list down to \$1.00, which you say that you paid for; but \$4.00 would be the right amount on the chinaware that you bought in 1940, is that right?

A Yes.

Q All right. Well, then, in 1937 you bought more chinaware that cost you \$6.00 and you say today's value of it is \$10.00 after using it for five years, or the value at the time that you were evacuated, at least?

A: What is the

question? I told him that he is charging \$10.00.

Q That chinaware that he bought in 1937, he said that he paid \$6.00 for it?

A What is the question?

BY THE REPORTER: "Well, then, in 1937 you bought more chinaware that cost you \$6.00 and you say today's value of it is \$10.00 after using it for five years, or the value at the time that you were evacuated, at least?"

MR. RICE: I am sorry, I want to correct that.

Q In 1937 you bought chinaware according to this personal property inventory for \$6.00 and today

A. Murakami,
Re-Cross-Exam.

you swear that the value of that chinaware at the time that you were evacuated is worth \$10.00; is that correct, or is it another mistake?

A There must be some mistake somewhere. I didn't estimate that the things had increased in value over and above what I paid for them.

Q Is the mistake that the item is in there at all?

Is it doubled up?

A: I think it

is probably a typing mistake.

10 Q Well, did you buy any chinaware in 1937?

A Yes.

Q And how much did it cost you?

A There were several kinds.

Q I am asking you, How much it cost you?

A I don't think it is something I can remember. I don't remember; it is so long ago.

Q You don't remember how much it cost you?

A No.

Q How many gramophone records did you buy in 1937?

20 A In '37?

Q Yes? He says gramophone records purchased in 1937; how many did you buy?

A There were about seventy or eighty at the time I was evacuated, but when they were bought, I don't know. They were bought a little bit at a time over a long period.

Q Well, then, you didn't buy them in 1937? They might have been bought years before that, some of them?

A: Yes, there

30 were some purchased before 1937 and some purchased

A. Murakami,
Re-Cross-Exam.

in 1937.

Q And you don't know what you paid for them?

A Yes, about \$1.00 each.

Q About \$1.00 each?

A: Yes.

Q What were they, Japanese records?

A Mostly Japanese records.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is that all?

MR. RUSSELL: I was just going to mention that this land was assessed at \$4252.00 and was sold for \$2892.00. I just draw your Honour's attention to that fact.

There is one other thing, sir. There is a letter here from the Custodian that may be of some assistance to the Commissioner in solving this net problem. It was written October 30th, 1946, to Mr. Murakami, and the third paragraph states,

"Upon evacuation, your son Kiyoshi declared a few nets left in your house at 118 Moncton Street, Steveston, B.C. As it was impossible for this office to identify individual nets, all nets found and sold have been credited to your account. Would you kindly make any arrangements you deem necessary with your son."

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: All right, file it.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 14).

MR. RICE: Your Honour, I overlooked filing the analysis of personal property claim which I will file now.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 15).

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE) (Witness aside)

I hereby the foregoing transcript true and accurate.

"S.R. HOWARD" Official Reporter.

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

SUB-COMMISSIONER