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Steveston  
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: YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

HOME ADDRESS: House No. 31, Chatham St., Steveston, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 04904 SEX: Male AGE: 59

OCCUPATION: Farmer

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

EMPLOYER: Self

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Yone

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 31, Chatham St., Steveston, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Masae (F) Yoshio (M) Masao (M)

Teruko (F) Shigeko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Masae, Star Cannery, Steveston, B. C. Others  
at House No. 31, Chatham St., Steveston, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 29, 27, 26, 24, 18.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Lot 3, Block 17 of Section 3. Block 3,  
North Range 7, West Map 249 in the District of New Westminster, B.C.  
Title No. 48081-F.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 5 room frame house.

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$16.50 per year payable to Municipal of  
Richmond, B. C. 1941 taxes paid.

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

none

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Owner is occupant.

When declarant is evacuated he is going to lock up house  
and hand the key over to the Custodian.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: none in owner's possession.

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN none

**STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED**

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: none

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: none

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

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: none

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

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

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

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: none
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF  
OTHERS: none
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) \_\_\_\_\_  
none
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) \_\_\_\_\_  
none
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none
9. LIFE INSURANCE: none
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: none
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: none

**LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: none
2. TRADE DEBTS: none

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

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

Dated this 20th day of April 1942.

*Armenius*

Witness

(Signature)

*J. Yamamoto*

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date June 24/43

Our File No. 4947

Full Name YAMAMOTO, Jukichi  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04904

<sup>V</sup>  
Male - Female  
(check)

Age Apr. 9, 1883

Former Address P. O. Box 259, Steveston, B. C.

Date Evacuated May 17/42

<sup>V</sup>  
Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address

c/o Mr. O. P. Olson  
c/o Joe Petro, Cranford, Alta.

<sup>V</sup>  
Married - Single  
(check)

Name of Wife Yone - #04906

Name of Husband - - - -

Name of Mother - - - -

Name of Father - - - -

Names of Children under 16

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian Yes  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer. Owner of house & lot at 31 Chatham St.,  
Steveston.

October 23rd, 1946.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

**JAPANESE NAME:** Jukichi YAMAMOTO, Registration No. 04904, File No. 4947.

**CATALOGUE NO:** 760

**ADDRESS:** 31 Chatham Street, Steveston, B.C.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Lot 3, Block 17 of Section 3, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, Municipality of Richmond, District of New Westminster.

**CLASSIFICATION:** Dwelling

**ASSESSED VALUE:**

Land	\$ 270.00	Annual Taxes	\$ 20.33
Improvements	\$ 850.00	Appraisal	\$ 540.00

**TITLE:** Registered in the name of Jukichi YAMAMOTO.

**ENCUMBRANCES:** None registered and no indication of any unregistered. Vesting Order No. 25656 - April 2, 1943.

**HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION:** The Custodian's representative reports on May 11, 1942, "The house is a five room frame, shingle roof bungalow, with outside toilet. It is in very bad condition and is partly boarded up. I would consider the house not rentable. He is intending to board up the house entirely on evacuation."

The house was rented to one F.M. Dearden by the Custodian's agent in the amount of \$9.00 per month including water. This tenancy was not disturbed up to the sale of the property. An allowance was paid for papering and painting in the amount of \$5.11. This was deducted from the rent paid in June 1943.

Owing to the condition of the building, no insurance was carried.

**SOLD:** To Mrs. Violet Sias, in the amount of \$650.00. Adjustments calculated as of October 13, 1944. Funds released to the credit of Jukichi YAMAMOTO on January 24, 1945. A complete statement of the transaction was sent to Jukichi YAMAMOTO on February 20, 1945. Certificate of Title #180299-E was delivered to the purchaser on January 30, 1945.

**PROTEST:** See letter dated October 23, 1944.

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



George Peters, Office of the Custodian.

25th May, 1948.

# GENERAL SUMMARY

Jukichi YAMAMOTO	Regn No	04904	File No	4947	Father
Yoshio "		15051		4964	Son
Masao "		04865		6095	Son

The above father and sons were evacuated 17 May 42 after completing Forms JP on 20 Apr 42. When registering with the Custodian, all three declared their personal property to be "None".

The above resided at 31 Chatham St., Steveston, B.C. and operated a farm situate at a different location to their place of residence, namely, #1 Rd. Steveston, BC. The farm property was leased by the Yamamoto's prior to evacuation, and the barn (only structure) was included in a lease granted to a Mr. Herbert.

On 7 Aug 42 the Custodian removed certain chattels from the residence at 31 Chatham St. and these were subsequently auctioned as per Claim Analysis on file of Jukichi YAMAMOTO No. 4947.

On 24 Apr 43 the Custodian received a letter from Masao YAMAMOTO listing chattels which were stated to have been left in the barn on their farm at No.1 Rd., Steveston. Two further lists were received. A letter received from Yoshio YAMAMOTO dated 28 Nov 45 notes father and sons operating in partnership, quotes:

"The chattels which declared by brother Masao in April 24, 1943, was also included my chattels and dad too (WE ARE COMPANIES)."

THE OBJECT OF THIS GENERAL SUMMARY IS TO PROVE THAT THE ABOVE FATHER AND SONS' CLAIMS ARE IN NUMEROUS CASES IDENTICAL AS TO CLAIMING FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIC ITEMS, ALSO TO SUBSTANTIATE THE FACT THAT THE CUSTODIAN DID NOT HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROPERLY ADMINISTER THE PERSONAL PROPERTY DUE TO THE VARIANCE IN INFORMATION PROVIDED AS TO THE PLACE OF STORAGE OF VARIOUS ITEMS, AND THIRDLY TO PROVE THAT Yoshio AND Masao Yamamoto PERJURED THEMSELVES WHEN CLAIMING FOR THE "SEWING MACHINE".

Review of Analysis of Claim Forms for Jukichi and his sons suggests that many articles previously claimed for by the sons are also claimed for by the father.

Bunso SAKAMOTO (file 6431) stored chattels in Yamamoto's barn at No.1 Rd., Steveston. On advising the Custodian of articles stored there, these were removed and sold at auction with proceeds derived therefrom being credited to SAKAMOTO. Sometime later the Yamamotos admitted that their chattels were stored also in this barn. From the auction lists of Sakamoto, articles which were claimed by the Yamamotos were difficult to separate. An honest declaration at the time of registering would have eliminated the confusion. Cstdn letter to Jukichi YAMAMOTO d/21 Nov 45 covers. (The disc and plow claimed on by Jukichi YAMAMOTO were originally credited to Sakamoto, but on his instructions the proceeds were transferred to Yamamoto).

SEWING MACHINE This machine is not claimed on by Jukichi but was the subject of a claim entered by Masao and Yoshio. The transcript of evidence taken at the joint hearing of Masao & Yoshio YAMAMOTO divulges that Yoshio stated on oath in that evidence that the sewing machine was left in their barn at No.1 Rd. Attached to this General Summary is correspondence which proves that the machine was actually left with a Mr. Urquhart for safekeeping and WAS SHIPPED BY URQUHART TO THEM ON 25 JUL 46, together with other articles never declared to the Custodian. It should be noted here that Claim File testimony as supplied by Yoshio and Masao note that this machine was purchased by their mother. As both Masao and Yoshio were unmarried at date of evacuation, it is reasonable to assume that this machine is the identical one for which a claim was made by them. Also, all members of the family are residing at Cranford, Alta., so the attempt at fraud is deliberate.

October 24, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO  
Registration No. 04904

**CHATELS:**

See Chattel Summary.

**SPECIFIED  
ARTICLES:**

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

No property interest 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,  
Office of the Custodian.

GP/1c

File No. 4947

October 24, 1946.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO  
Registration No. 04904

There are no claims against the above Evacuee  
revealed on this file.

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

  
George Peters,  
Office of the Custodian.

GP/10

October 24, 1946.

CHattel SUMMARY

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO  
Reg. No. 04904

Re: Yoshio YAMAMOTO  
Reg. No. 15051

Re: Masao YAMAMOTO  
Reg. No. 04864

The chattels of the above Japanese must be dealt with as a family group as the three files refer, in many cases, to the same chattels.

In a letter received from Yoshio dated November 28, 1945, he states:  
"The chattels which declared by brother Masao in April 24, 1943, was also included my chattels and dad too (We are companies)."

Upon evacuation Jukichi and his two sons, Yoshio and Masao declared no chattels left in the protected area.

At Jukichi's home, 31 Chatham Street, J.D.Mather, Custodian's agent, inventoried on May 11, 1942 a few chattels (see Chattel Schedule). These goods were removed by the Custodian on August 7, 1942, with the exception of a few items which were left and we must assume they were of no value.

Four (4) nets, however, were not removed until May 27, 1943, and the file does not reveal these as being sold. We must assume they were of no value as Jukichi does mention them in a letter as being old. The disposition of the chattels found in this house are dealt with on Jukichi's Chattel Schedule.

In a letter dated May 12, 1943, Jukichi claims \$60.00 worth of wood left in the shed. On investigation, the tenant, Mrs. Dearden, claims only 3/4 cord was found on the property. Also, the file reveals that Mr. Robinson had arranged for the payment of \$5.00 for this wood but the tenant declares no knowledge of this arrangement and refuses to pay the amount mentioned.

On March 1, 1945, Jukichi informed the Custodian he had left a horse and harness with Mr. David Gilmore of Steveston, B.C. On investigation, the Custodian found this horse had contracted some disease and was destroyed on the order of Mr. G.G.McDonald, Veterinary Surgeon of Brighouse, B.C. As both the sons refer to this horse on their files, the letter from G.G.McDonald confirming the death of the horse appears on Yoshio's file dated March 14, 1945. The harness was removed by the Custodian and sold at auction, credit being given to the joint account of the two sons. The file reveals a plough and MacGormack Deering Disc were stored by the YAMAMOTOS on property owned by Bunso SAKAMOTO, File No. 6431. These had been removed, sold and credited to SAKAMOTO's account but on his authorization the credit derived was transferred to Jukichi's account with the Custodian.

A Mr. W. A. Urquhart from Richmond sent in a list of chattels which were left in his safe-keeping by the YAMAMOTOS. These articles were shipped direct to the YAMAMOTOS by Urquhart and the Bill of Lading covering the shipment appears on Jukichi's file under date of July 25, 1946.

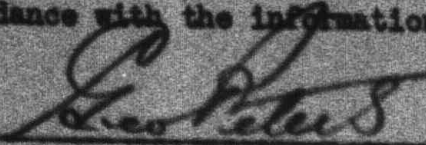
File Nos. 4947, 4964, & 6095

October 24, 1946.

Chattel Schedule

The bean poles found on the property owned jointly by Yoshio and Masao situated at No. 1 Road, Steveston, B.C., were sold in the amount of \$12.00 and credited to the joint account of the two sons. A letter was received on April 28, 1943 with a list apparently written by Masao. This list of articles were supposed to have been left on their property. The only articles found and sold according to this list would be the harness. The bean poles were mentioned in Yoshio's letter of September 27, 1945, in which he attaches another small list of chattels.

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



George Peters  
Office of the Custodian.

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File No. 4947

CHATTEL SCHEDULE

October 17, 1946.

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO  
Registration No. 04904

JAPANESE DECLARATION APRIL 20, 1942

Declared no chattels left in the protected area.

CUSTODIAN'S AGENT, J.D. MATHER REPORTS MAY 11, 1942.

"Following effects being left in house:

- 1 kitchen stove
- 1 bookcase
- 8 kitchen chairs
- 1 chest drawers

Other personal effects including beds are being taken with above on evacuation."

GOODS REMOVED FROM 31 Chatham Street August 7, 1942 to #3 Warehouse Upstairs.

- 8 chairs
- 1 iron bed
- 2 springs
- 3 baskets clothing
- 1 cook stove & pipes
- 4 cartons dishes and pans
- 3 boxes china
- 2 boxes tools
- 2 paper parcels
- 3 bundles tools
- 2 cross-cut saws
- 3 lanterns
- 2 pails
- 1 dresser with mirror

Auctioned  
Auctioned  
1 Auctioned, 1 missing  
See Memo October 17, 1946.  
Missing  
Auctioned  
Auctioned  
1 Auctioned, 1 missing  
Missing  
Auctioned  
1 Auctioned, 1 missing  
Missing  
Auctioned  
Auctioned

Left in House:

- 1 wooden bed
- 4 nets in loft which were inaccessible
- 1 chest drawers
- 2 tables
- 1 step ladder

Missing, see memo November 16, 1944.  
Removed May 27, 1943, see memo from C.C. Robinson.  
Missing, see memo November 16, 1944.  
Missing, see memo November 16, 1944.  
Missing, see memo November 16, 1944.

GOODS TRANSFERRED FROM BUNZO SAKAMOTO, FILE NO. 6431 TO JUKICHI YAMAMOTO

- 1 Plough
- 1 MacCormack disc

Auctioned  
Auctioned

...2/

Chattel Schedule

GOODS STORED WITH E.A. DRUGHART. SEE MEMO MAY 1, 1946 AND BILL OF LADING July 25, 1946.

1 Sewing machine	Shipped
2 Trunks	Shipped
1 Chair	Shipped
1 Lawn chair	No record of being shipped.
1 Gramophone	Shipped

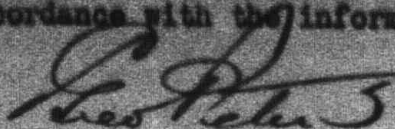
Goods shipped in addition to above list:

1 lounge	Shipped
1 box cultivator parts	Shipped

GOODS DESTROYED AS OF NO VALUE. SEE MEMO SEPTEMBER 21, 1945.

1 sack kapoc  
clothing and pillows  
1 old ironing board

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



George Peters,  
Office of the Custodian.

GP/10

October 17, 1946.

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO  
Registration No. 04904

All trunks and personal belongings in storage at Steveston were opened and inspected in October, 1945. Goods of no value were discarded; clothing of no saleable value were turned over to U.N.R.R.A.; saleable articles were auctioned and any personal photographs or goods of a personal nature are stored ready for shipment at the request of the Japanese.

J. YAMAMOTO  
31 Chatham St.  
Lot #368

Description: 1 bag

Discarded: Rags and cotton batting

Description: 1 carton - opened

For Auction: 1 floor mattress (Auctioned)

*26 screws*

Registration Number 04904

YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

31 Chatham Street, Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

Description of property in Form "JP" is correct.

OWNERSHIP

The property is owned by the above Jukichi Yamamoto. I was unable however, to inspect the Title, which is said to be in the possession of his son.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

The house is a 5 room frame, shingle roof bungalow, with outside toilet. It is in very bad condition and is partly boarded up. I would consider the house not rentable. He is intending to board up the house entirely on evacuation.

TAXES

Taxes paid to December 31, 1941.

INSURANCE

There is no insurance. Would not consider it insurable.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Claims to have no liabilities. The following effects are being left in the house:

- 1 Kitchen stove
- 1 Book Case
- 8 Kitchen Chairs
- 1 Chest of Drawers

Other personal effects, including beds, are being taken with the above, on evacuation.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that this house be left boarded up.

May 11th, 1942.

A. Mather

Name: YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

File: 4947

Reg. No. 04904

LIST OF CHATTELS.

8 Chairs  
1 Iron bed  
2 Springs  
3 Baskets clothing  
1 Cook stove and pipes  
4 Cartons dishes and pans  
3 Boxes china  
2 Boxes tools  
2 Paper parcels  
3 Bundles tools  
2 Crosscut saws  
3 Lanterns  
2 Pails  
1 Dresser with mirror

Left in house:

1 Wooden bed  
4 Nets in loft which were *Inventory # 2412-4*  
inaccessible  
1 Chest drawers  
2 Tables  
1 Step ladder

This represents all my chattels remaining in any  
protected area of British Columbia.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign and return one copy to this office.

*Thomas C. King*  
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE  
COMMISSIONER  
FOR TAKING AFFIDAVITS

*King*  
PHONE STEVESTON 138

78 GEORGIA STREET

*Steveston, B.C.*

Sept. 5th, 1942.

4947  
Mr. F. G. Shears,  
Assistant Manager,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO, Reg. No. 04904.  
No File Number in this office.

The water rates account is attached for  
the above property amounting to \$6.00.

The tenant who occupied this house on  
August 24th, pays the water together with the  
rent which amounts to \$7.00 plus the \$2.00 for  
water. The name is Mrs. F. M. Dearden.

Yours very truly,

*Thomas C. King*

*Pay  
See own letter  
Sept 9<sup>th</sup>*

4947.

September 9th, 1942.

Mr. T. C. King,  
78 Georgia Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. King:

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO

We beg to acknowledge your letter of the 5th instant enclosing bill for water rates on the property of the above.

You state that a Mrs. F. M. Dearden has rented this property from August 24th last at the rate of \$9.00 monthly including water rates but we do not appear to have your remittance for this amount.

Please remit these funds so that we may pay the water rates prior to the expiration of the discount on September 30th next.

Yours truly,



G. H. Peers,  
Administration Department.

GHP/P.

MEMORANDUM

File #4947

May 25, 1943.

TO: Mr. C. C. Robinson

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO

With reference to your list #39, August 7th 1942, it might now be worth your while to get the inaccessible nets left at 31 Chatham Street rented to Mrs. F. M. Dearden, and sell them.

Please let us know if this is possible as I have a letter from the Japanese for reply as soon as I get your information.

*R. B. Mackenzie*

REM/WFP

4947

Steveston, B. C.  
May 28, 1943.

TO: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie  
FROM: Mr. C. C. Robinson

YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

We have obtained today from 31 Chatham  
Street the following:

1	Bundle	8	Web	Custodian No.	3402
1	"	8	"	"	3403
1	"	5	"	"	3404

These have been placed in our Net  
House for sale

C. C. R.

*Unaccounted for  
in book of  
out of - production*

To Cliff Whitt,  
P. O. Box 171,  
Magrath, Alta.,  
August 13, 1943

Office of the Custodian,  
Japanese Evacuation Section,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Recd	AUG 18 1943
File No.	4947
Ans.	Mackenzie
Referred	

Dear Sir:

*sent to Peter*  
At the time of my evacuation  
from the coast, I had stored in my  
house at 31 Chatham St., Steveston, B.C.  
approximately fifty dollars (\$50.) worth  
of firewood.

Recently, I have sent a letter to you  
inquiring about the above firewood, but  
have not, as yet, received a reply.

I am again inquiring as to whether  
the wood has been sold or used since  
my evacuation or not. If it has been  
used, I should appreciate a remittance

of fifty dollars (\$50.) to cover the  
cost of the wood.

I shall appreciate your prompt  
attention.

Yours truly,

JUKICHI YAMAMOTO

J Yamamoto  
Reg. no. 04904.

% Cliff Whitt,

P.O. Box 171,

Magrath, Alta.

Aug. 14, 1943.

Officer of the Constabulary,  
Japanese Evacuation Section,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg,  
Hastings & Granville,  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
AUG 13 1943	
Rec'd	
File No.	04907
Ans.	See
Refered	Peters

Dear Sir:

I have been informed by you that  
you will be selling an old net which  
has been stored at 31 Chatham Street,  
Steveston.

I suppose by now you have done  
so. If you have done so, would please  
remit the amount to me as soon as  
possible.

Yours sincerely,

J. Yamamoto

(J. Yamamoto)

Reg no. 04904

Rec'd 2719  
1659  
J. Yamamoto  
net not sold

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8131

PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 4947

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

August 30th, 1943

COPY FOR C. C. ROBINSON

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Registration No. 04904,  
c/o Cliff Whitt,  
P. O. Box 171,  
Magrath, Alta.

Dear Sir:-

Thank you for your letter of August 13th enquiring about your fire wood. On going through our file, we notice that you asked us about this on May 12th and on May 19th we promised to look into it for you. It appears, however, that this was overlooked and we are immediately making enquiries. We draw your attention to the fact that this wood was not declared to us on April 20th, 1942, when you registered your belongings with the Custodian and your failure to do this may mean that the wood has been removed and sold without our knowledge. We will, however, see what we can do for you.

Yours truly,



H. F. Green  
Protection Department

HFG:IF  
c/c sent to C. C. Robinson:- Please investigate. This refers to the house at 31 Chatham Street where there was supposed to be \$50.00 worth of fire wood. Mather reported that it was in bad condition, not rentable, and to be boarded up by the owner. Contents were subsequently moved to warehouse No. 3, on August

P.T.O.

Mr. Robinson:

7th, 1942, but no reference made to wood of which we  
had then no knowledge. The house was rented to Mr.  
Dearden by ~~him~~ on August 24th.

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*A*

NAME YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04904

FILE NO. 4947

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B.C. on November 26th, 1943

Cross cut saw blade	\$	2.75 ✓
Cash box		1.50 M
4 kitchen chairs		1.75 ✓
Dresser with mirror (no drawers)		.50 ✓
Iron Bed & spring		.25 ✓

Total:		\$	6.75
Less Expenses:		\$	1.43
(Auctioneer's fee	.67		
(Advertising	.27		
(Moving	.49		
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$	5.32

Members of Custodian Staff Present. W.C. Robinson

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Steveston No. 1.

Remarks.

NAME YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04904

FILE NO. 4947

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B.C. on December 10th, 1943

4 Kitchen chairs

\$ 2.00 ✓

Total:

\$ 2.00

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's fee .20  
(Advertising .10  
(Moving .23

\$ .53

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.47

Members of Custodian Staff Present. C.C. Robinson

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Steveston No. 2.

Remarks.

NAME YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04904

FILE NO. 4947

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B. C. on January 14, 1944.

Cake dish	\$ 1.00 ✓
Pails & 2 pieces lead	1.50 ✓
Box Tools	3.00 ✓
Carton Sealers	.75 ✓

Total:		\$ 6.25
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fees \$ .62	
	(Advertising: .27	\$ 1.57
	(Movings: .68	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 4.68

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. C.C. Robinson

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Steveston 3

Remarks.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 9 1944
File No.	4747
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Mr. J. J. Peters  
Cranford N.J.  
March 6, 1944

Dear Sir:

I received your letter of Nov. 31, 43 & also the  
cheques. of \$5.60.

As for the woods. We haven't heard anything from  
you yet. Did you collect the money for me. She said  
of \$3.00. As I have written before we had \$5.00 or more  
worth of woods in the shed. But if she claims that she  
only found 3/4 of a cord wood left. We wouldn't ask for  
more. So kindly send it to us. as soon as you received this  
letter.

Yours Truly,  
J. J. Gammon.

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MEMORANDUM

File No. 4947

March 13, 1944.

To: Mr. G. M. Harris

From: George Peters

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO

The above Japanese made a claim that he left over \$50.00 worth, or more, wood in the shed and Mr. Robinson states that Mrs. Dearden claims that when she took over the house she only found 3/4 of the cord left. Mr. Robinson intimated he was going to collect \$5.00 from Mrs. Dearden. Would you kindly do this so we may have this matter settled.

GP:EB

*See Mrs Dearden  
did not agree to pay \$5.00 to CCB  
she would speak to her husband  
who is in hospital  
15/3/44  
Chatham*

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31 Chatham  
Steveston B.C.

File No: 4947

Mr George Peters  
Office of Custodian  
Vancouver

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 17 1944
File No.	4947
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Dear Sir.

Your agent Mr. Harris came to see me yesterday concerning wood said to have been in wood shed of above address.

When other people had helped themselves to the wood there was very little left for whoever rented the house.

Considering the filthy & terrible condition this property was in when I rented, & all the work my husband & myself have put into it to make it livable I think there should be no charge asked for

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the small amount of fuel left.  
The property was so untenable when  
Mr King rented to us that he  
was loath to let us have it,  
but as my husband was a  
soldier & we needed a place, he  
considered it.

I hope you will give this matter  
your consideration and thanks  
for past favours.

Yours Truly  
Mrs. Elora M. Bearden

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March 20, 1944.

Mrs. Flora M. Dearden,  
31 Chatham Street,  
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Jikichi YAMAMOTO

We are in receipt of your letter of March 16th with reference to the discussion of cord wood which was left at the house you now occupy.

A few months ago, it appears, Mr. Robinson had a discussion with you regarding this wood and some arrangement was made or discussed to remit \$5.00 for what was left. We notified the Japanese of this and he is now calling for this money. We, of course, note your remarks with reference to the condition of the house when you rented it. The house in question was rented to you "as is" and we cannot make any allowance for the cleaning. We would appreciate it very much if you would forward us a money order of \$5.00 for the wood which was left on the premises.

Yours truly,

George Peters  
Administration Department

GP/ms

COULTHARD, SUTHERLAND & CO., LTD.  
ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS  
CAR FINANCING

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609 COLUMBIA STREET.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

Catalogue #760.  
File: 4947.

April 25, 1944.

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

APPRAISAL

Re: Lot 3, Block 17, Section 3, B3N/7W, Map 249.  
Steveston Townsite.

Dear Sir:

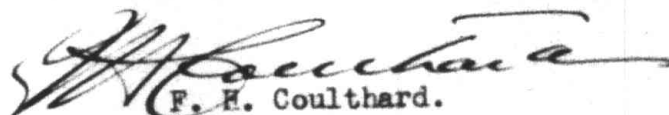
This property is located at 31 Chatham Street and is rented to Mr. Dearden for \$7.00 per month. The house is a four roomed house 24' X 30' heated by stoves and equiped with a sink, city light and water, and an outside toilet. It is cheaply and poorly constructed. The interior is "v" joint and the kitchen is papered. The balance of the house is varnished and is old and dark. The floors are uneven due to the exposed foundation which is on posts. The exterior of the house is of 1" X 10" nailed on vertically at the back and drop siding in front. There is an old garage attached to one side and an old woodshed at the rear. It has been painted in front but this is mostly off. The entire house has a weather beaten and poor appearance. The lot is 33' X 120' and has seven fruit trees at the rear. There is an open ditch into which sewerage is discharging causing an offensive odour.

VALUATION:

House,.....	\$440.00
Lot.....	<u>100.00</u>
	\$540.00 ✓

Yours very truly,

COULTHARD, SUTHERLAND & CO. LTD.,

  
F. H. Coulthard.

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July 14th, 1944

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Reg. No. 04904,  
c/o Joe Peters,  
Cranford, Alta.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 8th in regard to the wood left at 31 Chatham Street, we wrote Mrs. Dearden requesting her to pay \$5.00 for this wood and received the following reply on March 30th, 1944:

"As regards the wood, the statement made to you by Mr. Robinson that I agreed to pay \$5.00 is an absolute falsehood, I am not making any payment such as you demand."

Yours truly,

G. D. Milson  
Administration Department

Per

GDM/GH

NAME YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04904

FILE NO. 4947

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

Plough  
MacGermack-Deering Disc.

18.00  
50.00

Total

(Auctioneer's Fee: \$6.20  
Less Expenses: (Advertising: 2.18  
(Moving: 4.34

62.00

12.72

Net Proceeds Credited:

49.28

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 22.

Remarks.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Date	OCT 28 1947
File No.	4947
Referred	Peters

Mr. J. W. Peters  
 Edward Allen  
 Oct. 23/47

your file

Dear Sir:

I received your letter & say  
 according to it. I would not sell  
 my land. I am not going  
 to hand the title.

I am paying my tax ever  
 since I left there. I am paying  
 the rent of the house. So I would  
 say I have a right to take my  
 title.

The rent is 7. A month. It  
 cost up to \$84.00 a year. Tax is  
 \$16.00 & little more. I couldn't  
 remember how much it was  
 but the Co. & dia send a few  
 bucks. What do you think we are?  
 Well the answer is no. It  
 there's anything you want to know

write & me.

Yours Truly  
J. J. J. J.  
Reg. 4. 54914.

J. J. J. J.

File No. 4947.  
Catalogue No. 760.

October 31st, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. K. W. Wright

FROM: Mr. D. A. Cramer

Jinkichi YAMAMOTO - Reg. No. 04904  
Mun. of Richmond  
Lot 3, Blk. 17 of Sec. 3, Blk. 3  
N., Range 7 W., Map 249, D.N.W.  
Certificate of Vesting No. 25656.

We enclose herewith the following documents in connection with the sale of the above described property.

1. Original Certificate of Encumbrance.
2. Transmission in duplicate.
3. Deed in duplicate.....VIOLET SIAS.
4. Copy of letter showing to whom sold and price paid for the property.
5. Memorandum from the Administration Department confirming valuation, and approval of Advisory Committee.
6. Real Property Memorandum from Administration Department.

Certificate of Indefeasible Title No. 48081-F, is in the Owner's possession.

*D. A. Cramer*

DAC:JS  
Encls.

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November 8th, 1944.

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Registration No. 04904,  
c/o Mr. Joe Petro,  
Cranford, Alberta.

Re: Catalogue No. 760  
31 Chatham St., Steveston  
3/17/1/B3W/R7W/249

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of October 23rd. This has been carefully read and we can appreciate that the disposal of your property is a matter of great personal concern to you. However, the sale of all Japanese owned properties is being carried out as a part of a policy of liquidation outlined by the Canadian Government, on the basis independent, appraised valuations and we can only advise that we are unable to consider any alternative.

While we regret that you are not in accord with the Custodian's action, completion of this sale is being made, irrespective of the production of the Certificate of Title. The Custodian, however, finds its production helpful in making distribution of the proceeds of the sale to the rightful persons.

If you now feel that you care to co-operate in this matter, we would be glad to receive the Certificate of Title as previously requested.

In any event, your letter is being placed on our files so that your comments in regard to this sale will remain on record.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department.

GP/MHG

Catalogue No. 760  
File No. 4947  
31 Chatham Street, Steveston  
3/17/L/B3N/K7H/249

January 17, 1945.

VIOLET SIAS  
(purchaser)

In account with The Custodian of Enemy Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

(As at October 13, 1944)

	DEBIT	CREDIT
Purchase price	\$650.00	
Cheques received		\$650.00
<u>Amount of rent collected</u>		
October 13th to October 25th - 12/31 x \$9.00		3.49
October 26th to November 25th )		
November 26th to December 25th ) 2x \$9.00		18.00
Registration fees on deed - \$650.00	5.30	
Water paid to Dec. 31/44 - 79/184 x \$12.00	5.15	
Purchaser's proportion of 1944 taxes -		
79/365 x \$20.33	4.40	
Balance owing to purchaser	6.64	
	<u>\$671.49</u>	<u>\$671.49</u>

BALANCE OWING TO PURCHASER

\$6.64

Catalogue No. 760  
File No. 4947  
31 Chatham Street  
Steveston, B. C.  
Certificate of Title No. 180299-E

Receipt of Certificate of Title No. 180299-E is by me hereby acknowledged and I agree that all adjustments and incidents connected with the sale to me of property covered by the said certificate have been settled.

Receipt is also acknowledged of cheque for \$6.64 representing closing adjustments on sale of this property.

Dated at Vancouver, B. C., this 30 day of January 1945.

Mrs Violet Elias

Catalogue No. 760  
File No. 4947  
31 Chatham Street  
Steveston, B. C.

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

Dear Sirs:-

Re: 31 Chatham St. Steveston

I understand that any Japanese effects and furniture on the premises are not included in the sale. These will be removed by the Custodian as soon as possible but in cases where the furniture is included in the lease to the present tenant it cannot, of course, be removed until he is ready to vacate the premises. I undertake to give the Custodian at least two weeks notice of the date on which the tenant is vacating the premises and to allow the Custodian access to the premises in order to remove the furniture at a reasonable and convenient time following the termination of the lease.

Yours faithfully,

*Mr. Violet Sias*...Signed

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February 20, 1945

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Reg. No. 04904,  
c/o Mr. Joe Petro,  
Cranford, Alta.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 760 -  
31 Chatham Street  
3/17/3/B3E/R7H/Sp. 249.

Please be informed that the above property has been sold as of October 13, 1944 for the sum of \$450.00. An independent appraisal of this property has been obtained and the sale approved by the Advisory Committee.

Rents, less expenses, up to the mentioned date, have been credited to your account and adjustments of unearned taxes and any insurance premiums have also been credited to you.

The net result of this sale appears on an attached statement, and the proceeds have been credited to your account. We are also enclosing a general statement of your account up to date which includes the net figure to which reference has already been made.

We also enclose statements of the chattels which were removed from your house and sold at auction. There were a few articles of no value which were abandoned and did not warrant the cost of moving to auction. Will you kindly confirm that this takes care of all your real and personal property in the Protected Area.

Yours truly,

G. D. Nilson  
Administration Department

GDM/GH  
Enc.

c.c. B.C. Security Commission.

STATEMENT RE SALE OF:

Catalogue No: 760

Street Address: 31 Chatham

Legal Description: Steveston, B.C.  
3/17/3/834/RTM

Name: YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

File No: 4947

Reg. 04904

Date of Sale and Adjustments Oct. 13/44

Sale Price

\$ 650.00

~~Real Estate Agents Commission~~

Charge for Valuation

7.50

Charge for Advertising

4.00

Land Registry Office Transmission Fee

2.50

~~Encumbrances:~~

~~Unpaid Vendor~~

~~Mortgages~~

~~Arrears of Taxes~~

~~Other charges~~

Adjustments:

~~Fire Insurance~~

Taxes

4.00

Water

5.15

14.00

\$ 659.55

Net Proceeds credited to your account

645.55

Date: February 19th, 1945.

Compiled by: Mr. George Peters

My dear father  
Lenford  
Md.

March 1st  
1855

Dear Sir:-

We have been since we part. But I  
hope my little friends you & your family are the  
best of health & happiness.

We are all fine out here in the prairie.

I am also inquiring about the horse  
I sent to David Gilmore of Stanton. I had  
it in the name of Crookston when I left there.

I wish to sell it by the hand of Crookston  
or by personally. Do you think you can sell it at once, without  
waiting to take it. I imagine Gilmore will buy it.

The price listed below when it was purchased

Horse 6 yrs old. 150.00

Harness trace 30.00

Horse collar &c 22 7.25

Single line & 4.50

Bit 2.00

Bridle 2.60

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\$116.35

I hope it won't be too much of a bother  
that may I hear from you soon.

Yours truly  
J. Gammon

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April 18th, 1945.

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Registration No. 04904,  
c/o Mr. Joe Petre,  
GRANFORD, Alta.

Dear Sir:

We have been handed for reply your letter of March 1st written to Mr. George Fentimore regarding a horse you leased to Mr. David Gilmore of Steveston.

On reviewing your file we note you did not declare a horse, neither did either of your sons Yoshio or Masao.

We regret to inform you however that your horse having contracted some disease, was destroyed by order of Mr. G. G. McDonald, B.V.S.C., veterinary surgeon of Brighthouse, as you will see from a copy of his letter enclosed herewith.

Regarding the harness, Mr. Gilmore would like to buy this equipment and we will offer it to him at your prices. If he is unwilling to pay so much, we will instruct our representative to sell it at auction and the proceeds will be credited to your account.

Yours truly,

R. B. Mackenzie  
Protection Department

REM:LEB

NAME YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04904

FILE NO. 4947

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B. C. on July 20, 1949.

- Coathangers and trays etc.  
- China, glass and kitchenware

\$ 0.80  
1.50

Total

(Auctioneer's Fee \$ 0.23  
Less Expenses: (Advertising 0.18  
(Movings 0.25

\$ 2.30  
0.66  
1.64

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 37.

Remarks.

MEMORANDUM

File No. 4947

Sept. 21/45

TO: The File

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie

RE: Jukichi YAMAMOTO

The following articles were destroyed or abandoned  
as being of no value:

1 Sack kapoc  
Clothing and pillows  
1 Old ironing board

REM:LEM

NAME YAMAMOTO, Fumichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04704 FILE NO. 4947

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

Sledge Hammer \$ 0.75 —

Total		\$	
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.07	\$	0.75
	(Advertising: 0.04	\$	0.19
	(Moving: 0.08		
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$	0.56

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Remarks.

Mr. Harris,  
Steveston 38.

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Cranford, Alta.  
Nov 8th 1945

Dear Sir.

We wrote to David Gilmore of R. R. 1 and his witness Mr George Trentimore, but no sign of hearing from them. We know that they have received our letter for it never returned. To-day am writing to you whether you could be any help to us.

We heard from Brighthouse B. C. that our horse got an eye trouble or something like it and had to be destroyed (Believe it or not) and within that letter they wrote that Mr Gilmore inquired whether he could buy off our horse equipment as Sturdy metal buckle Name straps, belly bands, trace, Breast straps and martingales total \$30.00, besides it a Horse collar \$7.50, single line 4.50 Halter \$2.00 and bridle \$2.50 total up to \$46.50.

We thought we might be able to go into B. C. and settle it ourselves, but, as it is we don't know where, so we decide to sell it as the price listed within the other side. We believe this writing to you is the safest than doing thing among ourselves. Would you please enquire about this letter to the Custodian for they had given us the answer to our previous letter. I appreciate very much.

Yours truly

J. Yamamoto  
Reg No. 04904.

NAME YAMAMOTO, Jukichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04904

FILE NO. 4947

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

Japanese comforter

\$ 2.25

Total

(Auctioneer's Fee \$ .22

\$ 2.25

Less Expenses:

(Advertising .07

(Moving .05

\$ .37

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.88

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 42

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November 21, 1945

Mr. Junichi YAMAMOTO,  
Registration No. 04904,  
c/o Mr. Joe Petre,  
Cranford, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 14th and also a copy of a letter dated November 19th through the Department of Labor, Japanese Division, with reference to certain chattels left in the Richmond District. It is regrettable that you did not declare any chattels in the protected areas on your declaration of April 20, 1942. Your son, Masao, did not declare any chattels on his original declaration of April 20, 1942 but at our request he signed a declaration on April 24, 1942 to which he attached a list of certain goods left in the area. Your other son, Yoshio, did not declare any chattels in the area. Let us know if the list sent by Masao was a complete list which included not only your chattels but your son, Yoshio's chattels, or were the chattels declared by Masao his own personal property?

On March 1, 1945, we received a letter which you sent to Mr. George Fentimore and handed to us in which you mentioned a horse and harness which you left with Mr. David Gilmore at Stevenson. On April 18th you received a letter from the Custodian in which you were told that your horse loaned to Mr. Gilmore had to be destroyed by order of the Veterinary Surgeon of Brighouse. The harness was removed by the Custodian and sold and credited to the account of Masao. Would you kindly advise us the color of the horse, the approximate age when left with Mr. Gilmore and whether it was a mare, gelding or stallion? Also, let us know if you have another horse in this district, and if so, give us the same information as above.

With reference to a McCormick deering disk and plow, there is no record of you declaring this to the Custodian. But it seems you have received information from Mr. Sumao SAKAMOTO that this was sold and credited to his account. It appears that Mr. SAKAMOTO's chattels were stored in a barn on your property and in the care of Mrs. Herrick. Mr. SAKAMOTO also omitted to declare any chattels in this area and the first notice the Custodian had of these chattels was when Mrs. Herrick came to the Custodian Office in September, 1944 advising us that she was caring for the personal effects of Mr. SAKAMOTO. The Custodian removed all the goods that were in the barn and had them auctioned and credited to Mr. SAKAMOTO's account. It was later admitted by Mr. SAKAMOTO that goods belonging to Mr. Kaiei NITTA were amongst Mr. SAKAMOTO's goods and they have agreed to make an arrangement between themselves as to the money. We will now have to write to Mr. SAKAMOTO

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with reference to the disk and plow which you claim belong to you. This will further hold up any funds to be released until ownership of these two items can be clarified.

We would like you to reply to everyone of our questions so that we may be able to deal with your request intelligently. We are requesting Mr. Bunzo SAKAMOTO to check the chattel list we have sent him and to then forward the list to you so that you may identify your own possessions and make some satisfactory arrangement between yourself and Mr. SAKAMOTO.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department

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cc: Dept. of Labour,  
Japanese Division

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December 5th, 1946.

Mr. Yoshio YAMAMOTO,  
Reg. No. 15051,  
c/o Mr. D.P. Olson,  
Granford, Alta.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 28th.

Thank you for supplying us with the information with reference to the brown gelding which you left in care of Mr. David Gilmore. This horse was destroyed on the orders of Mr. G.C. McDonald, Veterinary Surgeon of Brighouse. We are enclosing herewith a copy of the order for your information. As previously stated the harness was sold by auction and credited to your account on June 29th of this year. The McCormick Deering disk and plough have been sold and credited to the account of Mr. Sakamoto and this is being held until we receive word from Mr. Sakamoto that he has no claim to these two items. Also, in our letter of November 21st we have asked Mr. Sakamoto to check over the chattel list which had been forwarded to him and to get in touch with you so that you can both make a satisfactory arrangement between yourselves as to ownership, as it is impossible for us to identify your goods from Mr. Sakamoto's left in the barn at Steveston. Until you both agree we are sorry but we cannot release any further funds.

You have omitted to answer one question in our last letter. Did you leave another horse, besides Prince, in Steveston? If so, supply us with the colour, whether gelding, stallion or mare and the approximate age.

Yours truly,

George Peters  
Administration Department

GP/dmc

c.c. File No. 1964  
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January 22nd, 1946.

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Registration No. 04904,  
c/o Mr. O. P. Olson,  
Cranford, Alta.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 17th with reference to your chattels left in the Steveston area.

We have received a letter from Mr. Bunzo SAKAMOTO in which he states that he has been in touch with you and you had requested him to receive all the moneys for the chattels and he in turn would reimburse you for the amount owing you. In this letter he also states that on examining the statement sent to him of the chattels that the only property belonging to you in this list is the disc and the plow.

We are, today, transferring the funds received for the disc and plow to your account but would suggest that you get in touch again with Mr. SAKAMOTO and have him send a copy of the chattel list to you, as we requested him to do formerly, and check over this list and both agree as to their identity.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department

GP:DMcI.

File No. 4947

January 22nd, 1946.

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MEMORANDUM - Mr. MACKEDIE

We have again received a letter from Jukichi YAMAMOTO, file No. 4947, with reference to a plow and a disc belonging to him which Mr. Bunzo SAKAMOTO, file No. 6431, admits belonging to Jukichi YAMAMOTO in his letter of December 4th, 1945.

Would you kindly arrange to have Charlotte make the necessary transfers with the proportionate charges and hold the balance of funds belonging to Bunzo SAKAMOTO until such time as he answers our request of recent date regarding the sending of his list to Mr. YAMAMOTO so that they may come to some agreement with regard to their settlements.

GP:DMcI.

109 Stereaton Highway  
Stereaton - B.C.

The Custodian  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 23 1946
File No.	536u
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Referred	Prohibited

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Dear Sir:

The following is a list of Japanese  
goods stored in my premises:-

G. Kojima

Small Dresser

Carpet

2 boxes pots + pans

1 old trunk containing pans

1 Hand Cultivator + a few garden tools

Child's toys

old clock

small gasoline heater  
mattress

J. Yamamoto 11447

Sewing machine

2 trunks

1 chair

1 Long chair

Gramophone

Place on file

Sakamoto

3 piece Bedroom Suite

Bed -

2 springs

1 mattress

Placed on file  
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Yours truly -

W. A. Auguland.

Mamoru  
Sakamoto

FILE NO. 4947

May 3rd, 1946.

MEMORANDUM - To the File.

Re: Jukichi YAMAMOTO

Reg. No. 04904

In a list supplied by Mr. W.A. Urquhart of 109 Steveston Highway,  
Steveston, B.C., Jukichi YAMAMOTO stored with Mr. Urquhart, the following.

1 sewing machine  
2 trunks  
1 chair  
1 lawn chair  
1 gramophone



George Peters  
Administration Department

GP/ic

Steveston - B.C.

April 3 - 46

Mr. Geo. Peters  
Office of the Custodian  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
APR 5 1946	
File No.	
File	
Referred	Peters

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of  
the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. in connection with  
Japanese goods stored with me.

I have written to the Japanese  
asking them to send me their  
first names in full. As soon  
as I hear from them will  
forward it to you.

Yours truly,  
W. A. Verghat.

Steveston - B.C.

April 29 1946  
EVACUATION SECTION  
Rec'd APR 30 1946  
File No. 2947  
Ans.  
Referred Peters

Mr. Esq. Peters,  
Office of The Custodian,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

In a previous letter you asked me to try and find out the first names of Japanese who had goods stored with me.

I have received a letter from Mr. Yamamoto and his name is Jukichi Yamamoto

In his letter he said he would like to have his goods shipped to him if I could get consent from the Custodian. He would pay all charges. Will you please let me know if I am allowed to do this.

Re G. Kojima: I have written Mr. Kojima asking him to send me his first name in full, but so far I have not had a reply from him. When I do, will forward it to you.

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Re. Mamoru Sakamoto:

I have not yet sent the Bedroom  
Suite that you gave me permission  
to send to Mr. Sakamoto, as I have  
been too busy to get it crated  
as soon as I ship it, will forward  
you copies of Bill of Lading

Yours truly

W. A. Burghart

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"  
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99.

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JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E  
(HIS HONOUR JUDGE L.H. STACK, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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Lethbridge, Alberta,  
August 23rd, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF  
JUKICHI YAMAMOTO.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

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

appearing for the  
Dominion Government.

L.S. TURCOTTE, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Claimant.

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MRS LILLIE THOMAS,

Secretary.

D.J. HANDFORD, Esq.,

Official Interpreter.

S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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J. Yamamoto,  
In Chief.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 596, Jukichi Yamamoto.

JUKICHI YAMAMOTO, the claimant herein,  
being first duly sworn, testified  
through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TURCOTTE:

Q Mr. Yamamoto, you are claiming for loss resulting  
from the sale of your house?

A Yes.

Q Is that your signature to the facts surrounding your  
claim (indicating)? A: Yes.

10 Q And is the information in that form true to the  
best of your knowledge and memory?

A Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: I will file that, your Honour, as an  
exhibit.

MR. RICE: That is the real estate, is it?

MR. TURCOTTE: Yes, it is marked "farm land" as I had  
run out of forms. It is actually just a house.  
(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

20 MR. TURCOTTE: Q; Now you bought this lot, to start  
with, in 1914? A: Yes.

Q Do you remember how much you paid for it?

A \$450.00.

Q \$450.00? A: Yes.

Q And was there anything on the lot when you bought  
it? A: No.

Q And then you built a house on it?

A Yes.

Q I understand you to say that you cannot remember  
what it cost to build due to the fact that it was  
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J. Yamamoto,  
In Chief.

built in 1914?  
don't remember.

A: No, I

Q But you think it was worth \$1200.00?

A Yes.

Q Now there was the main house on the property?

A Yes.

Q And then was there anything attached to the main house?

A There was an addition, size 14 feet by 20 feet, built onto one end.

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Q That is at the back?

A: Yes.

Q And then what was on the side of the house?

A A garage.

Q A garage attached to the side of the house?

A Yes.

Q Was there anything at the back of the house?

A Yes, there was a woodshed at the back.

Q A woodshed?

A: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: I would ask my learned friend to file

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the assessment which I think will be admitted, and the assessment is land \$270.00, and improvements \$850.00, a total of \$1120.00.

MR. RICE: These are my figures.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Will you file the assessment?

MR. RICE: I don't think I have it.

MR. TURCOTTE: Well, if we agree on it, your Honour, if

Mr. Rice will admit that the figures are correct, that will be all right.

MR. RICE: I have an assessment here, your Honour, that

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I will file, of the Corporation of the Township of

J. Yamamoto,  
In Chief.

Richmond. Is that the one?

MR. TURCOTTE: Yes, we can put it in as Exhibit 2.

(TAX NOTES MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. TURCOTTE: Your Honour, in reference to the personal property claim, my client tells me that he hid them in the attic and never declared them to the Custodian, so that I do not think he can have a claim for them, in reference to the house tools, kitchen tools, and so forth. Now in reference to the horse and harness, the information we have is that a claim was made for those two items by his son, so that in the result the whole personal property claim of this claimant is abandoned.

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Q Is that correct, Mr. Yamamoto?

A Yes, that is abandoned.

MR. TURCOTTE: That is all.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the real estate sold at its fair market value. The chattel claim being abandoned, I have nothing to say about it.

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I wish to submit as an exhibit, your Honour, the real property summary, the value placed on the property by Goulthard, Sutherland & Company, Limited, valuing the house at \$440.00 and the lot at \$100.00, total \$540.00, and the bid made for the property by M.L. Sias of \$650.00. Perhaps they can all go in as one exhibit with the summary.

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

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CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q I show you a photograph of a dwelling (indicating).  
Do you recognize it?

A That is my house.

Q That is your house?

A Yes.

Q It is a picture of your dwelling, the subject  
matter of these proceedings?

A Yes.

10 MR. RICE: I wish to tender this photograph as an  
exhibit, your Honour.

(PHOTOGRAPH MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. RICE: That is all.

MR. TURCOTTE: Thank you, Mr. Yamamoto.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

*S.R. Howard*  
"S.R. HOWARD"  
Official Reporter.

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

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

Defence Brief

LETHBRIDGE  
23 Aug. 48

Jukichi YAMAMOTO

File No. 42471

Case No. 528

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Real Property Claim

\$1200.00

Appraised at

\$540.00

Sold for

\$650.00

Witness: Coulthard Sutherland & Co., Appraiser.

- Ex. 1 - Real Estate Statement
- Ex. 2 - Tax Notice
- Ex. 3 - Appraisal
- Ex. 4 - Photo of house.

Submission: Sold for fair market value.

Chattel claim abandoned.

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Name of Claimant  
Custodian File

YAMAMOTO, Sukichi  
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Case 598

REAL PROPERTY									
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village		Total
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Amount Total	
		650	65.00	00 12.50					77.50

PERSONAL PROPERTY							
Motor Vehicles				Boats and Boat Gear			
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column

NETS					
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS							
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION							77.50

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December 20th, 1950.

Mr. Jukichi YAMAMOTO,  
Granford, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 598

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been executed by yourself covering the award recommended under the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$77.50.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$77.50  
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. Nil  
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears  
Director

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