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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: MORITA, Hirokichi.HOME ADDRESS: Atlas Cannery House No. none, P.O.Box 401, Steveston, B.C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 04869 SEX: Male AGE: 48OCCUPATION: 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: Atlas Cannery,MARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Fugino. 5012ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Same Address.NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Hirokazu (M) Fugio (M) Saburo (M) Ukio (M)Kleko (F)ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Same Address.AGE OF CHILDREN: 17; 15; 14; 12; 9;

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Municipality of Richmond. Lots (12) (13) and (14) BLOCK EIGHTEEN (18) of Section Three (3) Block (3) North Range Seven (7) West Map (249) in the District of New Westminster. CERTIFICATE NO.- 135555E, Fol No. 135784E.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: Farmland.3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) none4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) 1941 has not been paid.

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

none6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) none

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In owner's possession.
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: none
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: Rasberries.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Atlas Cannery House No. none, P.O.Box 401, Steveston, B.C. 2-storey 11 room wooden frame.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Atlas Cannery, Steveston, B.C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: By agreement with the Cannery.
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:
- 3 beds, 4 tables, 8 chairs, 10 yds. of flooring, 2 stoves, 1 cabinet, 1 boiler, 1 sofa, 1 water tank, tank, 1 dressing table, stored at the Atlas Cannery House No. none, P.O.Box 401, Steveston, B.C.
- 10 fishing nets & 600 F. of fishing line, 800 F. of Cork line, ~~REMOVED~~ stored at the Atlas Cannery Net House No. none, Steveston, B.C.
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS 1 cat which will be left ~~with~~ by request to the S.P.C.A.
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)
(1) \$5.00 War Saving Certificate, in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: \$1300.00 Saving Account No. M-203 deposited in the R.B. in
Steveston, B.C.

9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1,500.00 Life Insurance Policy No. 699343, carried by the
Sun Life Assurance Co., Vancouver Branch, policy in owner's possession, Beneficiary
Wife.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS:

none

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX:

none

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: none

2. TRADE DEBTS: none

REMARKS: The keys of the house will be handed over to the Atlas Cannery, Steveston,
B.C.

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 16th day of April, 1942.

A. S. McArthur
Witness

(Signature)

H. K. M. M. M.

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE June 24/43

Our File No. 4985

Full Name MORITA, Hirokichi
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04869 Male - Female
(Check) Age Jan. 21, 1893

Former Address P. O. Box 401, Steveston, B. C.

Date Evacuated Apr. 26, 1942. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address 1821 McDermot Ave
Winnipeg 28/11/47
~~C/o Mr. J. H. [unclear], [unclear], Manitoba.~~

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife (Nee MORITA) Fujino - #04868

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Yo - in Japan

Name of Father Kamejiro - in Japan

Names of Children under 16 Fujio (M) - 17/2/27; Saburo (M) - 9/4/28; Yukio (M) - 8/2/30;
Kujeko (F) - 17/11/32.

Requested by VCD

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman. Owns a Gasboat, reg'd in father's name. N.W. 1559

Naval Control #N.W. 061E

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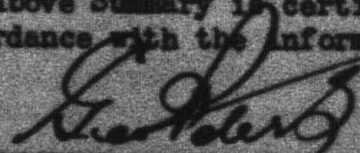
CHATTAL SUMMARY

Re: Hirokichi MORITA
Registration No. 04869
Examined April 26, 1942.

In his declaration of April 16, 1942, MORITA declared certain chattels left at the Atlas Cannery house and nets stored at the Atlas Cannery Net House.

On February 24, 1943, Custodian's Release Form was received, through the B.C. Security Commission in which MORITA asked for the shipment of certain goods located at 6th Avenue and Chatham Street in the home of J. TANAKA. This is practically the same inventory as in his original declaration and it appears that MORITA, after making his declaration, removed these goods to TANAKA's house. A list of these chattels was sent to Mr. Tanaka to confirm that the goods were stored in his house. There is no record revealed on file or in C.C. Robinson's files removed from Steveston giving any indication that these goods were shipped, but on November 16, 1944, the Custodian removed goods in MORITA's name (see schedule) and left as no value 3 bedsteads and 1 home-made table. Articles of any value were auctioned and a copy was sent to MORITA on May 31, 1945. 1 Dining Room table was wrongfully credited to TANAKA's file and this is being transferred to MORITA's account. With reference to the nets, in MORITA's original declaration he states he left 10 Fishing nets, 600 fathoms of fishing line and 800 fathoms cork line stored at the Atlas Cannery Net House. Mr. Mather, Custodian's agent, sent in an inventory on July 10, 1942, giving the description of the nets. In a telephone conversation with Mr. Mather, it was admitted he did not attend to nets but left this work to Thomas C. King. On questioning, Mr. King admits he did not take a physical inventory of any nets in the Cannery but this information was taken from a ledger which the Cannery Company supplied to this head Japanese fish collector, in which the Japanese listed nets left in the Cannery. At a later date, the Custodian's agent took possession of these books and it was found that this inventory is exactly as entered in the ledger. No nets were found or inventoried by the Custodian in the name of MORITA. However, lead line, cork line, lead roller and corks were sold and credited to his account.

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



George Peters
Administration Department

August 27, 1946.

*Copy for reference*CHattel SUMMARY

Re: Jiroichi TANAKA

Registration No. 09392

Jiroichi TANAKA declared no chattels in the protected area on April 15, 1942. Mr. Mather, Custodian's agent, in his report of July 31, 1942, inventories chattels. Later, it was discovered from declarations that Hitoshi TANAKA, a son (file #9027), Mrs. Yasu MATSURI (file #14828) and Hirokichi MORITA (file #4985) had ~~declared~~ stored chattels at TANAKA's home - 33 Chatham Street, Stevenson, D.C. Mr. Tanaka confirms on October 30, 1944, a list of chattels submitted by MORITA which was claimed to be stored at TANAKA's house.

On August 14, 1942, Mr. King, Custodian's agent, sent in a signed list from the tenant, Arthur Hubert, which was identical to the list submitted by Mr. Mather.

On November 4, 1944, Mr. Harris, Custodian's agent, was requested to remove the chattels from this house and on November 16, 1944, under the name of MORITA he removed six items to #3 warehouse at Stevenson. This list was placed on MORITA's file. In a follow-up memorandum of November 22, 1944, from Mr. Harris, he states the tenant Mrs. Hubert claims she went out of town sometime ago and had arranged with C.C. Robinson to pick up certain chattels and that he had made another list. Mr. Harris checked this with Mr. Robinson and this could not be remembered by him. Mrs. Hubert also claimed certain chattels were sold by Mr. Robinson. However, appearing on the file is a new inventory with no date, signed by Mrs. Hubert which shows a considerable shrinkage of articles from the list of goods she originally signed for in August 1942. Also on the file appears in Mr. Green's (of the Custodian office) hand-writing, the remarks that one davenport and one dining room table was held by the neighbors. These items appear in the inventory signed by Hubert and it must be assumed that Robinson did go in and remove certain articles and loaned these two items to the neighbors. On the removal of goods by Harris in November 1944, he abandoned as valueless 3 bed springs and one home-made table.

On December 24, 1944, this house was completely destroyed by fire. There was insurance coverage in the amount of \$300.00 on the contents. No direct investigation appears to be made by the Custodian's Insurance Department but the firm of J.M. Robinson Company, adjusters, received a statement from Mrs. Hubert dated January 18, 1945, in which she claims she had placed chattels in the shed at the rear for Mr. Robinson of the Custodian to pick up, and then she was absent from the premises from Easter until August, and on her return, found only a few old bedsteads and a box that had been broken into by her children during her absence. She also states that before Christmas another man came with a list (this we think means Mr. Harris when he removed the goods in November under MORITA's name). He took the stove that was in the shed and a few other things, chairs, and the only thing they left was a home-made kitchen table and a long bench. The bureau was out in the shed but the children had broken the mirror. Owing to the above statement by the tenant, no insurance could be collected on the policy which covered the furniture. The dining room table held by the neighbor whose name appears to be Reid was sold by Mr. Harris in the amount of \$3.00. This was credited to TANAKA's account but later transferred to MORITA. The davenport was never recovered, as it appears this party has left the locality. As formerly stated, no chattels were declared and no chattels credited to TANAKA's account. The chattels of the individual Japanese, left in TANAKA's home, will be dealt with on their respective files.

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MEMORANDUM

File No.
4985

September 21st, 1944

TO: FILE

FROM: R. B. Mackenzie

Re: Hirokichi MORITA

There is nothing to add to the memo of 22/11/43 from Mr. Green except that the chattels in the house of Mr. J. TANAKA at 33 Chatham Street (file 4120) and acknowledged by the tenant, Mr. A. Herbert on 15/8/42 agree, in the main, with those declared by the above. Mr. J. TANAKA was written to on November 4th, 1943, asking him if the goods found in his house belonged to MORITA but as no answer was received, we have again written to him and now await his reply.

*Reply recd. Nov 2nd 44 stating that the
goods in house at 33 Chatham St.
belong to H. Morita.*

R.B.M.

REM/MHG

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 4985

Nov. 22nd, 1943

To: FILE

From: Mr. Green

Re: Hirokichi MORITA

The above Japanese registered on April 16th, 1942, some effects at the Atlas Cannery and ten fishing nets, 600 fathoms fishing line, 800 fathoms cork line stored at the Atlas Cannery Net House.

On July 10th, 1942, Mr. Mather reports no effects in the Cannery House but confirms inventory of nets and lines, valuations for which were considered high. No further action was taken until December 22nd when we received an enquiry from the Japanese about his fishing equipment.

On February 24th, 1943, a Custodian Release was received for the effects now claimed to be stored at the house of J. Tanaka, 6th Avenue and Chatham, whither they had evidently been moved between the date of registration and evacuation. Shipment of these has presumably been made.

On March 30th, 1943, we reported to Mr. Robinson that we had no record of this man's fishing equipment except for some cork and lead lines sold for \$60.00 to the Imperial. On April 1st, the B. C. Packers advise that they have no record of nets left at the Atlas for this man and understand that everything was removed from there by Mr. Robinson.

On August 14th Mr. Robinson sold 375 loose corks belonging to this Japanese found at the Atlas Cannery when it was to be renovated.

Here again is a case where no record appears of nets at the Atlas Cannery. It would seem that as the

March 7, 1946.

Net Hirokichi MORITA
Reg. No. 04869

The following table is extracted from the ^{second books} ledgers received from the B. G. Packers Co., covering their ATLAS CANNERY net houses. The Japanese Fish Collector was instructed to have the Japanese ^{fishermen} enter in these ledgers, nets which were left by them in the company net houses.

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

| | Fathom | Inch | Mesh | Ply | | Value |
|---------|--------|-------|------|------|---------|----------|
| Hanging | 200 | 7 | 45 | 40/6 | no line | \$160.00 |
| " | 200 | 7 | 45 | 40/6 | " " | 50.00 |
| " | 140 | 9 | 40 | 9 | " " | 120.00 |
| " | 200 | 8 1/2 | 42 | 8 | " " | 75.00 |
| " | 150 | 5 1/2 | 50 | 4 | " " | 50.00 |
| " | 180 | 5 1/2 | 50 | 4 | " " | 60.00 |
| " | 200 | 5 1/2 | 54 | 4 | 2 " | 75.00 |
| " | 210 | 10 | 35 | 12 | " " | 200.00 |
| " | 140 | 9 | 40 | 10 | " " | 75.00 |
| " | 55 | 5 1/2 | 50 | 5 | " " | 15.00 |
| " | 55 | 6 1/2 | 50 | 4 | " " | 15.00 |

Cork & line - 450 fathoms)

Lead Line - 600 fathoms) \$120.00

7 inch cork 362 - \$13.00

cork 422 - \$20.00

small boat \$20.00

1 - 200 fathom 5 1/2 x 5 ply 50 mesh - no line \$30.00
 (Green net)

(Sheet #19 Cork & Lead Line \$60.00)

E. B. Nelson

NAME MOBITA, Hirokichi

REGISTRATION NO. 04869

FILE NO. 4965

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevaston, B. C. on November 24, 1944.

| | | |
|------------------|----|------|
| Rubber mat | \$ | 1.00 |
| Bed and spring | | 3.00 |
| Kitchen stove | | 1.00 |
| 3 Kitchen chairs | | 1.50 |

K. Table cr of \$3.00 drawn from Tanaka's file

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 0.65
(Advertising: 0.35
(Moving: 0.63

\$ 6.50

\$ 1.63

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 4.87

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Stevaston 25.

Remarks.

Original sent to Bureau on May 31/45

MORITA, Hirokichi,
Registration No. 04869,
File No. 4985.

January 19, 1944.

NET STATEMENT

| <u>Description</u> | <u>Purchase Price</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 385 fa. old lead line | \$34.00 |
| 260 fa. old cork line | 26.00 |
| net roller | 6.00 |
| 375 corks | <u>7.50</u> |
| TOTAL SALES..... | \$73.50 |

Then found by author
UNACCOUNTED FOR

All nets declared by the above on net form
received March 1, 1943 - also 1 rowboat

/ms

August 14, 1946.

CHattel Schedule

Re: Hirokichi MORITA

Registration No. 04869JAPANESE DECLARATION APRIL 16, 1942

3 Beds
4 Tables
8 Chairs
10 yds. of Flooring
2 Stoves
1 Cabinet
1 Boiler
1 Water tank
1 Dressing table
1 Sofa
1 Tank

Stored at Atlas Cannery House.

10 Fishing nets & 600 F. of Fishing Line.

800 Fathoms Cork line

Stored at Atlas Cannery Net House

CUSTODIAN'S AGENT, J.D. MATHER'S
INVENTORY JULY 10, 1942

"Nothing left in house except few
broken chairs of no value."

SEE NET STATEMENT.

GOODS REMOVED FROM 33 CHATHAM ST. HOME OF
(J. TANAKA) TO #3 AUCTION ROOM UNDER
MORITA'S NAME NOVEMBER 16, 1944

#1 Kitchen stove
#3 Kitchen chairs
#1 Bed spring
#1 Rubber mat
-1 Bench
-1 Kitchen table
Left, as of no value
3 Bedsteads
1 Home-made table

GOODS SOLD AT AUCTION NOVEMBER 24, 1944

✓ Rubber mat
✓ Bed and spring
✓ Kitchen stove
✓ 3 Kitchen chairs

GOODS MISSING, REMOVED TO STORAGE
BUT NEVER AUCTIONED

1 Bench } Assume
1 Kitchen table } discarded.

GOODS REQUESTED TO BE SHIPPED BY
MORITA FROM THE HOME OF J. TANAKA,
6TH AVENUE CHATHAM ST. FEB. 24, 1942

New sofa
Bed sets (2)
Bed frame (1)
Stove (1)
Walnut table (1)
Inlaid linoleum - 20 linear yards
Chairs (2)
Cupboard set
Electric toaster
Iron
Clock and lamp stand
Portable coat hanging set
Big picture with frames (5)
Several book cases with books
Cotton twine 5 lbs.
Bird cage - 1
Nickel boiler - 1
Carpenter and other tools
4 Gal. Kerosene Barrel

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

George Peters
George Peters
Administration Department

MEMORANDUM

February 28th, 1945.

TO: File 4985

FROM: Mr. Doust

Re: CLAIMS

There are no claims on this file to date.

PD/ER

A handwritten signature or set of initials, possibly "L.H.", written in dark ink. The signature is stylized and appears to be written over a horizontal line.

Vessel

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: June 13, 1944

Name: MORITA, Hirokichi

Reg. No. 04869

File: 4985

Boat File No.: JFVDC 681

Name of Vessel: "H.M." 29'x7'x3' (1925) Easthope 6 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.:

New Westminster 1559

Naval No.:

NW.061-E

Owner's Valuation:

\$700.00

JFVDC Valuation:

144.00 Survey #404 NW

Custodian Valuation:

None

Date of Sale:

B/S, Aug.3,1942 -Vessel released June 5,42

Purchaser:

British Columbia Packers Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers:

Hirokichi MORITA

Selling Price:

\$275.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~own~~ ~~custodian~~

275.00

Supervision Costs:

5.25

Balance due Owner:

269.75

Paid to:

Hirokichi Morita, AUG.20, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale:

New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Repairs: Star Shipyard Job 207- \$20.23 (Paid)

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Produce*

Additional Information: RCMP report that this vessel is licensed in the name of Kamejiro (father of Hirokichi). Information from Registrar of Shipping, New Westminster, shows that the licence was in Hirokichi MORITA's name.

*J M. Whelan
Aug 15/46*

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

June 5th

194 2

\$ 275.00

RECEIVED from S. E. MACAULEY

the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE AND - - - 00 DOLLARS

on account of sale of Vessel "H.M." NW 1559 NW 061E

ck # ~~681~~ - 6/5 #~

dep 6/5

Macaulay of Amples Wire Supplies

Lf 681 CB47

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

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JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Committee:
THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE SIDNEY SMITH
CHAIRMAN
COMMANDER E. L. JOHNSON, D.S.O., R.C.N.R.
KISHIZO KIMURA
A. E. McMASTER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

1528 MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B.C.

June 8, 1942.

To The Registrar of Shipping
Vancouver, B.C.

Sir:

Re Ex-Japanese Fishing Vessel: "H.M." NW 1559 NW 061E

Length: 29' Breadth: 7' Depth: 3'

Engine: Easthope 6 H.P.

The owner of this vessel, HIROKICHI MORITA
declines to sell at a reasonable price.

S. E. MACAULEY, whose signature,
for identification purposes, appears below, has offered to purchase the vessel for the sum of
TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE AND 00/100 - - - - Dollars (\$ 275.00),
which sum is considered reasonable and has been accepted as the purchase price by this Committee,
and is being held in trust by the Committee, pending completion of Bill of Sale.

You are requested to permit the purchaser, S. E. MACAULEY
to operate this boat until the presently licensed owner, HIROKICHI MORITA
completes the execution of Bill of Sale, or some other provision has been made.

This letter is issued in duplicate, one copy of which is to be retained in your files, the other to
be in the possession of S. E. MACAULEY
for clearance and navigation purposes.

*Now owned by N Ebbett,
159 Hastings E.*

Yours faithfully,

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE.

A. E. McMASTER,
Executive Assistant.

Signature of:

SNP 144
245

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|--|--|---|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| Name of Vessel (船名) | H. M. | Official Number (登録番號) | NW 1559 | Naval Control Number (海軍省ノ番號) | NW 061 E |
| Port of Registry (登録港) | New Westminster | Date of Registry (登録期日) | | | |
| Length (長さ) | 29' | Width (幅) | 7' | Depth (深さ) | 3' |
| Make of Engine (Present) (機械ノ名) (現在ノ) | Easthope | Date When Re-Installed (若シ入替ヘタ場合ハ其ノ期日) | | | |
| Horse Power (馬力) | 6 | Knot (Speed) (速力) | | | |
| When Hull Built (船体建造期日) | 1925 | When Hull Rebuilt (若シ改造ノ場合ハ其ノ期日) | | | |
| Type of Vessel (船ノ型) | Seiner <input type="checkbox"/> Packer <input type="checkbox"/> Gill-Netter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Troller <input type="checkbox"/> Trawler <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | |
| Formerly Used as (従来ノ用途) | | Value (Replacement) (船價) (建造スル場合) | | | |
| Date When Surveyed Last (最近ノサーベイナル期日) | | Value (Present) (船價) (現在ノ) | | \$ 700.00 | |
| Pace of Operation (使用區域) | Fraser River | Value (Insured) (船價) (保險ヲ附スル場合) | | | |
| Charter Rate: 1940 (船舶料金率) | 1941 | Chartered To: 1940 (船舶先) | 1941 | | |
| Amount of Mortgage, If Any (抵當額ノ金額) | | Mortgaged To: (抵當權者ノ名) | | | |
| Registered Owner's Name (登録船主名) | Morita, Hirokichi | Actual Owner's Name (現實所有者名) | Morita, Hirokichi | | |
| ADDRESS (住所) | Steveston, B. C. | ADDRESS (住所) | Steveston, B. C. | | |

© Please refer to "Certificate" of British Registry in filling this blank; special attention is required in cases of "Length" "Width" and "Depth"
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Agreement for Sale of Vessel

BETWEEN:

HIROKICHI MORITA

(hereinafter called the "Vendor")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND

S. E. MACAULEY

(hereinafter called the "Purchaser")

OF THE SECOND PART

In consideration of the sum of \$1.00, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we agree to the sale and purchase of the vessel hereunder described:

Name of Vessel: "H.M".

Port of Registry: New Westminster, B. C.

Official Number: NW 1559

Length: 29'

Breadth: 7'

Depth: 3'

Propelling power: Easthope 6 H.P.

For the price or sum of \$ 275.00

Payable as follows: CASH

FURTHER, ^I the said HIROKICHI MORITA

for my heirs, covenant with the said S. E. MACAULEY and His assigns,

that we have power to transfer in the manner aforesaid, the premises hereinbefore expressed to be transferred, and that the same are free from encumbrances, except as hereunder set out:

~~EVERY PART OF THE PRICE TO BE SECURED FORAY WITH BY MORTGAGE ON THE VESSEL.~~

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this 3rd

day of August

A.D. 1942.

SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED

in the presence of:

K. Kimura
217 Dunlevy Ave.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Hirokichi Morita

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Committee:

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE SIDNEY SMITH

CHAIRMAN

COMMANDER S. L. JOHNSON, D.S.O., R.C.N.R.

KISHIZO KIMURA

A. E. McMASTER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

1828 MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B.C.

August 3rd, 1942.

Mr. Hirokichi Morita,
c/o Mr. A. W. Dearborn,
Box 23,
ARNAUD, MAN.

Dear Sir:

Re.M.V. "H.M." NW 1559 NW 061E

For a period of over 5 months this Committee has operated facilities, designed to assist Japanese fishing vessel owners, to dispose of their vessels at fair prices.

In this period over 1000 vessels have been released through the offices of the Committee; and it has now become vitally necessary to promptly dispose of the remaining vessels in order that the Navy personnel, occupied in their custodianship, be relieved for other duties.

Having received an offer for your vessel "H.M." License No. NW 1559, which is considered a fair value, the Committee has sold this vessel for the sum of \$275.00 in accordance with the attached Bill of Sale.

Please sign the attached Bill of Sale, together with the Claim Assignment form, also attached, and return to us.

On receipt of these documents properly executed, we shall remit the net value of the sale, with a statement thereof, to any address designated by you.

Yours very truly,

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE.

P.S.
Please return the boat license
to us.

A. E. McMaster,
Executive Assistant.

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Committee:

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE SIDNEY SMITH
CHAIRMANCOMMANDER B. L. JOHNSON, D.S.O., R.C.N.R.
KISHIZO KIMURA

A. E. McMASTER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

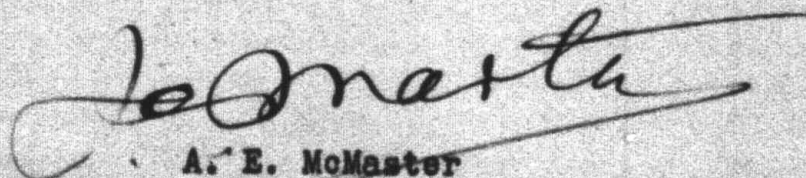
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VANCOUVER, B.C.

June 5, 1942.

To Custodian of Japanese Fishing Vessels:

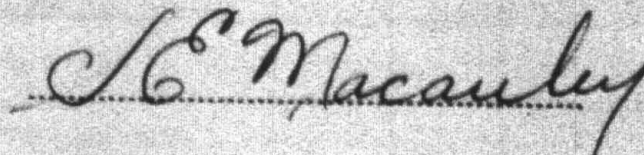
This will be your authority to release the
Fishing Vessel "H.M." ^{NW 061E} Official No. NW 1559
to her owner S. E. MACAULEY.

The receipt on this page should be signed
by the new owner and the original retained by you.
Duplicate to be returned to this office.


A. E. McMaster

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the
Fishing Vessel "H.M."
Official No. NW 1559 NW 061E



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Hirokichi Morita

*% A. W. Dearborn
Arnaud. Man,*

4985
File No. ~~5017~~ (wife)

Reg. No. ~~04868~~
04869

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2240639

Premium - \$ 49.80

Payable: ^X Annually, Semi-annually or monthly

Month October Day 1

REMARKS:

Letter sent 25/1/43

(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Hirokichi Morita

File No. 4985

% A.W. Dearborn
Arnaud, Mar

Reg. No. 04869

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 699343

Premium - \$32.30

Payable: Annually, Semi-^Xannually or monthly

Month June Day 1

REMARKS:

Letter sent 23/8/43

(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Hirokichi Morita

File No. 4985

A. W. Dearborn
Armad, Man

Reg. No. 04869

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2170378

Premium - \$ 27.20

Payable: Annually, Semi-annually^X or monthly

Month November Day 1

REMARKS:

Added June 25/1942

File No. 4985

August 14, 1946.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

Re: Hirokichi MORITA

Registration No. 04862

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

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



George Peters
Administration Department

GP/1c

August 14, 1946.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Hirokichi MORITA, Registration No. 04869, File No. 4985

CATALOGUE NO: 769

PROPERTY ADDRESS: Broadway Street between 5th and 6th Avenue, Steveston, B.C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots 12, 13, and 14, Block 18 of Section 3, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, Municipality of Richmond, District of New Westminster.

CLASSIFICATION: Vacant Land

ASSESSED VALUE:

| <u>Land</u> | <u>Taxes (annual)</u> | <u>Appraisal</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| \$351.00 | \$11.64 | \$200.00 |

TITLE: Registered in the name of Hirokichi MORITA

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered and no indication of any unregistered.

Vesting Order No. 24183 Date - July 7, 1942.

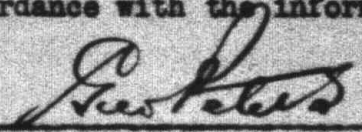
HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: The Custodian's representative, J.D.Mather, reported on July 10, 1942, "There are no buildings on this property - 3 City lots in the Town of Steveston undeveloped." These were never rented by the Custodian.

SOLD: Sold to Joseph E. Boire and Rose D. Boire for \$200.00, Adjustments calculated as of August 18, 1944.

Funds released to MORITA on November 29, 1944.
Title #178301-E was delivered to the purchasers on January 25, 1945.
A complete statement of the transaction was forwarded to MORITA on February 9, 1945.

PROTEST: A letter protesting the sale of this property was received in this office on August 31, 1944, which states in part, "I would like to inform you that I have no intention of selling or releasing the said property since this is the sole property I possess in British Columbia."

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


George Peters
Administration Department

GP/ic

August 14, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Hirokichi MORITA

Registration No. 04869

Chattels: See Chattel Summary.

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

Vessels: The fishing vessel "H.M." was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee and the amount of \$269.75 was paid to MORITA on August 20, 1942.

Bank Account: \$1300.00 Savings Account #M-203 deposited in the Royal Bank of Canada, Steveston, B.C.
1 - \$5.00 War Savings Certificate in owner's possession.

Life Insurance: \$1500.00 Life Insurance Policy No. 699343 with the Sun Life Assurance Co., beneficiary - wife. 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

Agent file *File 4985*
Registration Number 04869

MORITA, Hirokichi

P. O. Box 401, Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

Description as per Form "JP" is apparently correct.

OWNERSHIP

I have been unable to examine the Certificate of Title, but apparently these lots are owned by Hirokichi Morita.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

There are no buildings on this property - 3 City lots in the Town of Steveston undeveloped.

TAXES

The taxes are paid to December 31, 1941.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Claims to have no liabilities. Inventory of Nets attached hereto.

REMARKS

This man has been living in a house at the Atlas Cannery which my Agent has examined. There is nothing left in the house except a few broken chairs of no value. Have interviewed the Imperial Cannery with regard to the Nets and they find that they are stored as per inventory, but the prices given are very high.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that the Nets as per inventory be sold.

July 10, 1942.

L. Marker

Registration Number 04869

MORITA, Hirokichi

INVENTORY OF NETS STORED AT IMPERIAL CANNERY

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|----|------|----------|
| 1 | Net | 200 | Path. | 7" | 6/40 | 45 | Mesh | \$160.00 |
| 1 | " | 200 | " | 7" | " | " | " | 50.00 |
| 1 | " | 140 | " | 9 | 9/40 | 40 | " | 120.00 |
| 1 | " | 200 | " | 8 1/2 | 8/40 | 42 | " | 75.00 |
| 1 | " | 150 | " | 5 7/8 | 4/40 | 50 | " | 50.00 |
| 1 | " | 180 | " | 4/40 | 4/40 | 50 | " | 60.00 |
| 1 | " | 200 | " | 5 1/2 | 4/40 | 54 | " | 75.00 |
| 1 | " | 210 | " | 12/40 | 10" | 35 | " | 200.00 |
| 1 | " | 140 | " | 9" | 10/40 | 40 | " | 75.00 |
| 1 | " | 55 | " | 5 5/8 | 5/40 | 50 | " | 15.00 |
| 1 | " | 55 | " | 6 1/2 | 4/40 | 50 | " | 15.00 |

| | | | | |
|-----------|-----|-------|---|--------|
| Cork Line | 450 | Path. | } | 120.00 |
| Lead " | 600 | " | | |

| | | |
|------------|-----|-------|
| 7" Corks | 363 | 13.00 |
| Corks | 422 | 20.00 |
| Small Boat | | 20.00 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|------|--------|------|----|------|-------|
| 1 | Net | 200 | Path | 5 1/2" | 5/40 | 50 | Mesh | 30.00 |
|---|-----|-----|------|--------|------|----|------|-------|

All the above nets are without lines.

Goods left in the house in charge of Arthur Hubert in house of
Jiroichi TANAKA

- ✓ 1 kitchen range taken
- ✓ 3 home made tables left outside sent to room
- ✓ 1 bench taken
- 1 pr. hip boots, rubber not there
- sundry kitchen utensils not there
- 1 heater left outside - one of neighbours bought.
- ✓ 1 hand made table left outside
- ✓ 3 bed springs left outside
- Abandoned ✓ 3 bedsteads not there
- 1 davenport bedstead bought.
- 2 cupboards outside
- 1 chest drawers not there
- 1 mattress
- ✓ 5 kitchen chairs 3 taken
- 1 heater not there
- 1 homemade couch with 2 pads outside
- ✓ 1 home made table not there
- 2 chairs outside
- 1 stool outside
- 1 canvas not there
- ✓ 1 rubber mat taken
- 1 trunk with clothes not there
- Abandoned 1 table home made outside
- 3 springs } outside
- 1 bedstead } outside
- 1 dining room table Real bought across road
- 1 mattress
- 2 linoleum rolled up outside
- 1 large box nailed up solid } outside
- 1 box Japanese goods } outside
- 1 5 gallon can - not sure
- 1 single bed outside
- 1 mattress - outside
- 7 chairs - outside
- 1 small saw not there
- sundry pictures.

#04869

4985

Luc
Shirokichi Morita
4. A.W. 3. Earlborn
Arnaud, Man.

Dept. of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section

Oct 22, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED

OCT 26 1942

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge the letter of
October 19, 1942 advising us to remit
to you funds for the tax notice
from the Corporation of Richmond.
I beg to inform you that we
have already forwarded \$11.64 (on
Monday October 19, 1942) to the
Corporation of the Township of
Richmond covering the tax on
my property. Please check with
the above Corporation.

yours truly,

H. Morita

Write Richmond
to advise us

4985.

October 19, 1942.

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA, #04869,
c/o A. W. Dearborn,
Arnaud, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

We beg to advise you that we are in receipt of a tax notice from the Corporation of the Township of Richmond covering your property described as Lots 12, 13 and 14, Block 18, Section 3, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249 amounting to \$11.64.

As this property is not revenue producing, we would suggest that you remit to us sufficient funds so that we may pay these taxes on your behalf prior to November 16th next when a penalty of 10% will be added.

Yours truly,



G. H. Peers,
Administration Department.

GHP/P.

Shirokichi Inoita #04869

40 N.W. Dearborn
Armad, Man,

Dec. 22, 1942.

Office of Custodian
Vancouver, B.C.

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|-------------------------|
| EVACUATION SECTION |
| DEC 24 1942 |
| FILE NO. 4752 |
| Ans. <i>pl</i> |
| Referred <i>Carrall</i> |

Dear Sir:

Prior to my evacuation ^{sent to MacArthur} there
to Manitoba, I left in the care of
the B.C. Fisheries at Atlas Cannery
(Steveston) some nets and lines.

I would like to know what has
become of these equipment.

Also I would desire information
regarding the nets and lines left
at the Gulf of Georgia Cannery at
Steveston by Mrs. Kamejima Inoita.
Thanking you for your attention,

Yours truly,
S. Inoita

*Copy to
Mr. Inoita
12/24/42*

| | | | | | | | |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|---------|-----------|---|--------|
| 200 | fathoms | 7 inch | 40 | 45 mesh | - no line | - | 160.00 |
| 200 | " | " | 6 ply | " | " | " | 50.00 |
| 140 | " | 9 inch | 9 ply | 40 mesh | " | " | 120.00 |
| 100 | " | 8 1/2 " | 9 ply | 42 mesh | " | " | 75.00 |
| 150 | " | 5 7/8 " | 4 " | 50 " | " | " | 50.00 |
| 180 | " | 5 7/8 " | " | " | " | " | 60.00 |
| 206 | " | 5 3/4 " | " | 54 " | " | " | 75.00 |
| 210 | " | 10 inch | 12 " | 35 " | " | " | 200.00 |
| 140 | " | 9 " | 10 " | 40 " | " | " | 75.00 |
| 55 | " | 5 5/8 " | 5 " | 50 " | " | " | 15.00 |
| 55 | " | 6 1/4 " | 4 " | 50 " | " | " | 15.00 |

Cork line - 450 fathoms } total value - 120.00
 Lead line 600 fathoms }

7 inch cork - 362 - 13.00

Corkes 422 - 20.00

Small rowboat - 20.00

200 fathoms 5 ply 5 3/4 inches 50 mesh 30.00

The above articles or equipment were stored
 at Atlas Cannery

See previous list from 1943

File No. 4985

Reg. No. 04869

Date Jan. 19/43

Name MORITA, Hirokichi

Your Account has been CREDITED as follows

Sold to Imperial Cannery, B. C. Packers, ex Atlas Net House

1 stern roller - needs repairing \$6.00

150 fa. old lead line
135 fa. " " "
100 fa. " " "
150 fa. " cork "
50 fa. " " "
60 fa. " " "

12.50
13.50
8.00
15.00
5.00
6.00

355 for
200 for

6600

Custodian of Enemy Property

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| EVACUATION SECTION | |
| Rec'd | MAR 2 1943 |
| File No. | |
| Ans. | |
| Referred | |
| G-165-A | |

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address 40 A.W. DEARBORN

Date 24/2/43

ARNAUD, MANITOBA

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

I, HIROKICHI MORITA, Police Registration No. 04419

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

stored at 6TH AVENUE CHATHAM STREET

in possession of J. TANAKA

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

Description of Property:

NEW SOFA, BED SETS(2), BED FRAME (1), STOVE (1),
WARRANT TABLE (1), INSIDE LINOLEUM - 20 LINEAR YARD,
CHAIRS 2, CUPBOARD SET, ELECTRIC TOASTER, IRON,
CHOLER AND LAMP STAND, PORTABLE COAT HANGING SET,

Original Address BOX 401, STEVESTON, B.C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver _____

Date Evacuated to Present Address MAY 2, 1942

Number in Family - 12 years and over 6

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 1

Number in Family - under 5 _____

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 7

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

APPROVED:
 BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: _____
 Claimant Signs Here

BIG PICTURE WITH FRAME(5), SEVERAL BOOK CASES WITH BOOKS,
COTTON TWINE 5 LBS, BIRD CAGE-1, NICKEL BOILER-1,
CARPENTER AND OTHER TOOLS, 4 GAL. KEROSENE, BARREL,

EXHIBIT NO. 951-11
 DATE Sept. 27/49
 FILLED BY Crown

SEE UNDER

4985 and
1147

19th March, 1943.

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
Registration No. 04869,
c/o A. W. Dearborn, Box 23,
ARNAUD, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of December
22nd, the position of your nets is as follows:

| | | | | |
|---------------|---|------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Cust. No. 260 | - | 250 fa. cork and line, | sold for | \$30.00 |
| " | " | 265 - 600 fa. lead and line, | " | " 30.00 |

A record of Kamejiro MURAO's nets
is as follows:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 4 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 150 | Sold for: | \$100.00 |
| 4 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 150 | " " | 80.00 |
| Corks | " " | 12.00 |
| Row Boat | " " | 10.00 |

Yours faithfully,

M. Sullivan,
Specified Articles Department.

MS/mf

8250 & 4985

March 30, 1943.

Imperial Cannery,
Steveston, B. C.

Attention: Mr. Fraser

Dear Sir:

Re: Takeo KARIYA - file 8250
Hirokichi MORITA " 4985

The above named Japanese claim to have left nets stored at the Atlas Cannery of which we have no record except for the sale of some cork and lead lines amounting to \$60.00 to the Imperial from MORITA.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would check your records against these two men, and if their names do appear on your list, to send us an itemized account of their nets.

Yours truly,

Specified Articles Department

MS

mp

British Columbia Packers Limited

OUR SPECIALTY
CLOVER LEAF
BRAND



SALMON

FOOT OF CAMPBELL AVE.
P. O. BOX 939

VANCOUVER.
CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

Pac'd APR 2 1943

File No.

Ans.

Referred

Seaton

Steveston, B.C.
April 1, 1943

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

Dear Sirs:

Attention Specified Articles Department

In reply to your letter of March 30, file
Nos. 8250 and 4985, we wish to advise that we have no
record of nets left at Atlas Cannery for Takeo Kariya
and Hirokichi Morita. We understand that all nets at
Atlas were taken from there by your representative,
Mr. C. C. Robinson.

Yours truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LIMITED.

IMPERIAL CANNERY.

per.....

W. H. H. H.
Bookkeeper

AHC/GM

CCR. no record of nets in inventory - mch

Shirokichi Omote

41 N.W. Dearborn

Armand Omote

Oct. 28, 1943.

Mr. C. Robinson
Custodian
Ft. Stevens, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I would like some information regarding the whereabouts and condition of my household articles and fishing equipment stored at Atlas Cannery and my rented home at the said place. The articles which were left at my place of residence have been forwarded to the Custodian before my evacuation and also I have attached a list of fishing equipment. Our resident is under the care of the Imperial Cannery.

Yours truly

Sh. Omote Reg 04869

P.S. Our former address was: File #135

Shirokichi Omote,

P.O. Box 401,

6th Ave. Chatham St.,

Ft. Stevens, D.C.

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November 4, 1943.

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
Registration No. 04869,
c/o A. W. Dearborn, Box 23,
Arnaud, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of October 28th with reference to household articles and fishing equipment stored at the Atlas Cannery. The answer to your fishing net will be handled by another department.

In your original declaration you stated that certain chattels were left at the Atlas Cannery house. When this was checked, we found nothing was left in the house except a few broken chairs of no value. Then on your Release Form dated February 24, 1943 to the B. C. Security Commission you declare your furniture stored at 6th Avenue and Chatham Street in the possession of one J. Tanaka. It appears that after making your declaration you removed your own chattels to Tanaka's house. We had no record of this and when inventory was taken at Mr. Tanaka's house we presumed that all the articles found there belonged to Mr. Tanaka.

You are asking for a new sofa. You did not declare this on your original Declaration Form. We are today writing Mr. Tanaka to ask if the goods left in his house belong to you, and as soon as we hear from him we will get in touch with you.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB

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January 22nd, 1944

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
Registration No. 04869,
c/o A. W. Dearborn,
Box 23,
Arnaud, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:-

You will recall writing on October 28th to Mr. Robinson enquiring about your household effects and fishing equipment. We have made a careful check of this and now report as follows.

In 1942 shortly after your evacuation, our agent reported that there was nothing left in the house at the Atlas Cannery, formerly occupied by you, except a few broken chairs of no value. It later appeared from your Custodian Release of February 24th, that you had moved at least some of your belongings to c/o J. Tanaka, Sixth Ave. and Chatham, though of this you had never advised the Custodian. As far as, therefore, your personal effects are concerned, we assume you have made your own arrangements.

Turning to the fishing equipment at the Atlas Net House, the records of the Imperial Cannery show eleven items in your name without giving any particulars of their disposal. When our representative called to remove Japanese-owned nets from this net house, none were found. The B. C. Packers are unwilling to accept responsibility for Japanese nets left in their care and, we understand, so advised the owners at the time. In the case of the Atlas Cannery, we feel that the Japanese must have made their own arrangements and we have assumed this to be the case. If you can give us any further information, we will be pleased to investigate.

We have credited your account with the following sales of equipment.

Description

Purchase Price

385 Poth. old lead line

\$34.00

N.B.
Never
signed
L

✓
769

August 10, 1944.

| | |
|----------|-------------|
| Rec'd | AUG 10 1944 |
| File No. | |
| Ans. | ✓ |
| Referred | |

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

Dear Sirs:

I hereby bid \$200.00 for Catalogue No. 769 - Lots 12
to 14, Block 3, Range 7 West, Map 249. I am enclosing herewith cash
for the full amount.

Yours truly,

E. Boire,
Steveston, B. C.

E. Boire

Angus

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STATEMENT RE SALE OF:

Name: MORITA, Hirokichi

Catalogue No: 759

File No: 4985

Street Address: Broadway Ave.
Haverton

Reg. 04869

Legal Description: 12-14/18/3/BJH/RTS

Date of Sale and Adjustments Aug. 18/44.

Sale Price \$ 200.00

~~Real Estate Agent's Commission~~ \$

Charge for Valuation 5.00

Charge for Advertising 4.00

Land Registry Office Transmission Fee 2.50

~~Encumbrances:~~

~~Unpaid vendor~~

~~Mortgages~~

~~Unpaid taxes~~

~~Other charges~~

Adjustments:

~~Fire Insurance~~

Taxes 4.31

~~Water~~

11.50 \$ 204.31

Net Proceeds credited to your account 192.81

February 9th, 1945.

Date:.....

Mr. George Peters

Compiled by:.....

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8181
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 4985

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

August 18, 1944.

Mr. E. Boire,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 769
Broadway bet. 5th & 6th
12-14/18/3/B3N/R7W/249

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 10th in which you enclosed \$200.00 the full amount of the purchase price for the above property.

Kindly advise the full name, address and occupation in which this property is to be registered and also state whether or not the purchaser is a British Subject.

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

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

Yours truly,
F. G. Sheppard,
Director.
Per: *[Signature]*

Joseph Exsimere Boire
Rose Delime Boire
Robert Fisherman
British Subject

GP:EB

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for file
4985

Hiroichi Monte, # 04969
c/o A.W. Durbin,
Arnaud, Man.

The Custodian Office,
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Vancouver, B.C.

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|--------------------|-------------|
| EVACUATION SECTION | |
| Rec'd | AUG 31 1944 |
| File No. | 4985 |
| Att. | |
| Referred | McPherson |

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 769 out to Arnaud
Broadway bet. 5th and 6th, Richmond
Lots 12-14, Blk. 18, Sec. 3, S30,
R 7W, Map 249.

I received your letter of August 21,
requesting title No. 135794-E covering the above
said property for sale. I would like to
inform you that I have no intention of
selling or releasing the said property since
this is the sole property I possess in
British Columbia.

Yours truly,

Hiroichi Monte

File # 4985

Hiroteichi Morita
Register # 08869
10 A.W. Kenyon

Office of Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver B.C.

Armand Manitoba
Oct. 30. 1944

EVALUATION SECTION
RECEIVED NOV 3 1944
FILE NO. 4985
ANS. 11/12/44 R.B.M.
FORWARDED

Kear sir

I wish to have the articles listed below to be sent to me. These articles are stored in house of Mr. Jiroichi Tanka, at 33 Chatham st. Steneston, But before sending articles please inform me to estimated rate of shipment and wait for reply

List of articles;

new sofa, brown bed frame with one spring.

Walnut table with two extension boards.

inlaid linoleum (large roll), electric toaster, Iron, Clock, lamp stand, portable coat hanging set.

one picture in frame (of kindergarten classes).

cotton twine five pounds, food chopper bamboo basket.

a box with miscellaneous articles, as electric socket, extension cord, bulb, etc.

Yours respectfully,

H. Morita

Catalogue No. 769
File No. 4985
12-14/18/3/DJR/KTW/249

November 29, 1944.

JOSEPH EXSIMIRE BOIRE & ROSE DELINE BOIRE
(purchasers)

In account with: The Custodian of Enemy Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

(as at August 18, 1944)

| | DEBIT | CREDIT |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Purchase price | \$200.00 | |
| Cheques received | | \$200.00 |
| Registration fees on deed - \$200.00 | 4.40 | |
| Purchaser's proportion of 1944 taxes - 135/365 x \$11.64 | 4.31 | |
| Balance owing by purchaser | | 8.71 |
| | <u>\$208.71</u> | <u>\$208.71</u> |

BALANCE OWING BY PURCHASER \$8.71

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November 29, 1944.

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph E. Boire,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir and Madam:

Re: Catalogue No. 769
Broadway between 5th & 6th
12-14/18/3/B3W/K7H/249

Title to the above described property has now been received
in your names and is ready for delivery.

Adjustments as of August 18th as shown on the enclosed sheet
have been calculated and a balance of \$8.71 has been charged to you.

Will you please telephone this office for an appointment to
conclude this matter in order that statement of adjustments may be approved
and certain releases signed by you prior to delivery of title.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB
Enc.

Catalogue No. 769
File No. 4985 /04869
Broadway between 5th & 6th
Steveston, B. C.
12-14/18/3/B3N/R7W/249
Certificate of Title No. 178301-E

MORITA Hirokichi

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| EVACUATION SECTION | |
| Rec'd | JAN 26 1945 |
| File No. | |
| Ans. | Peter |
| Referred | |

Control of property covered by Certificate of Title No. 178301-E and described above is by us hereby acknowledged and we agree that all adjustments connected with the sale to us of property covered by said certificate have been settled.

Dated at Steveston this 15 day of January 1945.
B.C.

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph A. Boire

Return to the Custodian

February 9th, 1945.

Mr. Hirokichi HORITA,
Reg. No. 04869,
C/o Mr. A. W. Dearborn,
Arnaud, Man.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 759
Broadway Avenue,
Stevenson, B. C.
12-14/18/1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8.

Please be informed that the above property has been sold as of August 18th, 1944 for the sum of \$200.00. An independent appraisal of this property has been obtained and the sale approved by the Advisory Committee.

Adjustments of unearned taxes have been credited to your account.

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.

It will be seen that the credit balance in this account is \$246.92.

Yours truly,

P. Donet,
Administration Department

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CC to B. C. Security Commission.

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May 31st, 1945.

Mr. Hiroshi SONITA,
Reg. No. 04889,
C/o Mr. J. S. Dearborn,
Box 23,
Armad, Man.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 14th instant and will advise that our Protection Department wrote you fully regarding the matter of note on January 22nd, 1944, but despite what they said in the third paragraph of their letter no answer was ever received from you. X

The writer sent you a statement of your account in letter dated February 9th, 1945, showing you had a credit balance of \$246.92, and included in this amount is, you will observe, \$73.50 which is the resultant figure obtained from the sale of your net, which figure was shown in our Protection Department's letter above-mentioned.

We note you now require funds standing to your credit and a cheque for what we have on hand, namely \$246.92, is enclosed which thus leaves nothing in your account.

You have already been written about the sale of your property and there are no other chattels involved, therefore, we have nothing further to add, but attach a copy of our auction sheet statement, Stevenson 25, net amount being \$4.67--no doubt you will wish to have this statement for your records.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department

PD/EE
Encs.

P.S.: Further to the last paragraph above re chattels, our Protection Department advise you only declared chattels left at the Stiles Cannery house but nothing was found there by the investigating agent on July 10/45. As your chattels are involved with Hiroshi Tanaka's (File 4110) we will have to write you later regarding same.

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W.H.W.
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Feb 9th

Reg. No. 14869
Mr. J.W. Dearborn,
Box 23, Grinnard, Maine.
May 14, 1945.

Office of Custodian,
Panama, B. C.

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| EVACUATION SECTION | |
| Rec'd | MAY 13 1945 |
| File No. | |
| Ans. | |
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Dear Sir:

Re File No. 4985.

I acknowledge, with thanks,
your letter of Feb. 9, 1945. I regret
extremely that I have not been able
to reply earlier.

In the last account forwarded
to me, it states that there is a balance
of \$246.92. But I found that you
had not included some articles, viz.

- || (1) Inst. #260-450 fa. cork & line sold for \$30.00. ||
 || (2) Inst. #295'-600 fa. lead & line sold for \$30.00. ||
 (Referring to letter of Mar. 19, 1943).

Please acknowledge your failure,
and enter them to my account.
If possible, I want to have all
my accounts forwarded to me
in cash immediately.

Yours respectfully,

Please return to

J. H. Mount

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May 14, 1945

P.S. Will you inform me
separately whether my furnitures
stored in the house of Mr. Jiro-
ichi Yanaka, 33 Chatham St.
had been insured by the Custodian

H. Morita

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| EVACUATION SECTION | |
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| File No. | 4985 |
| Ans. | Peters |
| Referred | |

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 Y. A. W. Deane
 Box 23, Grand, Man.,
 June 31, 1945.

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

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge your check
 for the sum of two hundred
 and forty-two dollars and ninety-
 two cents dated, June 4, 1945
 through the British Columbia
 Security Commission at Winnipeg
 and received by me on June 29.

Yours truly,
 J. W. Monte.

Registration No. 04869

Mr. A. W. Dearborn

Grand Manitoba

August 30, 1946

Dept. of Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

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| EVACUATION SECTION | |
| Rec'd | AUG 31 1946 |
| File No. | 4985 |
| App. | |
| Referred | Peters |

out to you

Dear Sir,

I hereby acknowledge the check
for the sum of three dollars (\$3.00)

I would like to inquire as to
what happened to all the furniture
and chattels we had in store. Please
give me the information as soon as possible

Yours truly,

H. Monte

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September 4, 1946.

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
Registration No. 04569,
c/o Mr. A. W. Dearborn,
Arnaud, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter
of August 30th, 1946.

On your original declaration made to this
office on April 16, 1942, you stated you left certain goods stored at
the Atlas Cannery House. Later it was discovered, before evacuation
you removed these goods to the home of J. Tanaka situated at 6th Avenue
Chatham Street in Steveston, B.C. All goods that could be identified
as yours were removed by the Custodian. Three bedsteads and one home-
made table were discarded as of no value and the balance were auctioned
and credited to your account. Mr. Tanaka's former house was completely
destroyed by fire on December 24, 1944 and if any chattels or furniture
were left in this house at that time, belonging to you, they too would
have been destroyed.

We hope this will clarify the matter for you.

Yours truly,

George Peters
Administration Department

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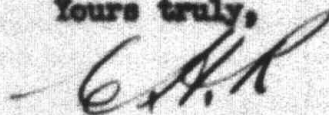
February 6th, 1950

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
1821 McDermot Ave.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Sir:

The Custodian has today forwarded to Yasemon Hikida and Gihyoe Takahashi the sum of \$7,355.12 "In Trust". This represents the net proceeds from all the assets of the Steveston Nosen Kaisha. Included in this amount is the final distribution to shareholders at \$46.847 per share. You were the holder of 3 shares and therefore the amount due to you is \$140.54. For this payment you will please look to Mr. Hikida and Mr. Takahashi, who will be responsible for the distribution of this trust fund.

Yours truly,



C. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

CHR:BK

File No. 4120

Dear Sir:

Re:

Tanaka Jirochi
33 Chatham St.

The above has declared to the Custodian that the
undernoted articles have been left in your care:

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 6 chairs kitchen | 1 trunk | 1 old hand made table |
| 1 kitchen stove | 2 cupboards | few pictures |
| 1 heater | 1 kitchen table | one pot |
| 1 bureau | 4 beds not complete | few dishes |

Please acknowledge holding these articles by sign-
ing and returning to this office the declaration on the attached
copy of this letter in the enclosed envelope.

Yours truly,

Mrs A. Herbert

PROTECTION DEPARTMENT.

I acknowledge holding the articles above described
for safe custody and undertake to account for same to the
Custodian on behalf of the above-named Japanese. I have no
claim on such articles (if any claim asserted, state basis and
amount).

I would like to buy these few things
if it is possible. All but the stove is not
worth anything.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Green
From: Mr. Milson

July 14, 1942

Re: File #A985, Hirokichi MORITA

Please note that there are fishing nets and
equipment stored in the Imperial Cannery at
Steveston, belonging to this party.

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*In consideration of goods removed
to storage & net assembly*

File No. 4120

MEMORANDUM

McKee
To: Mr. Green

November 29, 1944

From: Mr. Wilson

Re: Catalogue No. 759
Chatham St. nr. 6th,
Steveston, B. C.

Jiroichi TANAKA's property at the above address has been sold. Will you kindly see that the articles which are owned by H. Morita and signed for by the tenant are removed to auction.

GDW/CH

Spencer

*R.B.M. - I see you have this in
hand*
[Signature]

Catalogue No. 769
File No. 4985
12-14/18/3/B3N/KTW/249

November 29, 1944.

JOSEPH EXSIMIRE BOIRE & ROSE DELIME BOIRE
(purchasers)

In account with: The Custodian of Enemy Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

(as at August 18, 1944)

| | DEBIT | CREDIT |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Purchase price | \$200.00 | |
| Cheques received | | \$200.00 |
| Registration fees on deed - \$200.00 | 4.40 | |
| Purchaser's proportion of 1944 taxes - 135/365 x \$11.64 | 4.31 | |
| Balance owing by purchaser | | 8.71 |
| | <u>\$208.71</u> | <u>\$208.71</u> |

BALANCE OWING BY PURCHASER \$8.71

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MEMORANDUM

File Nos. 4120, 4985

December 12th, 1944

To: Mr. Nilson

From: Mr. Mackenzie

Re: Catalogue No. 759
Chatham St. nr. 6th
Steveston, B.C.

The position of the chattels acknowledged by Mr. Hubert is not very satisfactory.

It appears that Mr. Hubert went away from Steveston for some months. Before doing so, he notified our Representative that he was taking out of the house all the chattels he did not require, and asked him to take them to one of our storage warehouses.

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Apparently, he overlooked doing this as the chattels left outside were not taken to storage - although notified several times, even by the neighbours that things were being pilfered nightly.

Eventually our Mr. Harris moved from the above address what goods remained, and these appear on list #55, file 4985 in the name of H. Morita, who owned the goods.

REM:LM

MEMORANDUM

File No. 4180/4085

November 4, 1944

To: Mr. C. A. Harris

From: Mr. Macdonald

Re: TERAKA, Jiroichi
CHATELAIN

The above owned the property at 33 Chatham Street of which
A. Hubert is the tenant.

This property has now been sold so we would like you to
move to our auction room chattels as per enclosed list.

These goods are the property of Hirokichi MORITA as acknowledged in a letter received from the above dated Oct 30/44.

This inventory was signed by Mr. Hubert Aug 15/42

REMAILED

File No. 4985.
Catalogue No. 769.

November 20th, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. George Peters

FROM: Mr. D. A. Cramer

Hirokichi MORITA
Man. of Richmond
Lots 12, 13 & 14, Blk. 18 of
Sec. 3, Blk. 3 W., Range 7 W.,
Map 249, N. W. D.

With reference to the above property which was recorded in the New Westminster Land Registry Office, dated October 2nd, 1944, we attach herewith the following documents in connection therewith.

1. Copy of application number 178300-E, dated October 2nd, 1944, registering the property in the name of the Custodian (Transmission).
2. Copy of application number 178301-E, dated October 2nd, 1944, registering the property in the names of Joseph Exsimere Boire and Rose Delime Boire - Joint Tenants (Deed).
3. Duplicate of Transmission dated September 16th, 1944.
4. Duplicate of Deed dated September 16th, 1944 - Secretary of State to Joseph Exsimere Boire and Rose Delime Boire - Joint Tenants.
5. Certificate of Indefeasible Title number 178301-E, dated November 10th, 1944, covering the above property in the names of Joseph Exsimere Boire and Rose Delime Boire - Joint Tenants.

D. A. Cramer

DAC:JS
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U. S. 100-1000 Rev. 2-41

USED CAR APPRAISAL RECORD

4986

NAME

ADDRESS

Paint

Tires

Body & Fenders

Glass

Top

Nickelling

Radiator

Running Boards

Mats & Kick Pads

Upholstery

Hardware

Motor Expense

Transmission

Rear Axle

Universal Joints

Clutch

Steering

Brakes

Tighten Up

Muffler

Sundries

Wash & Clean Motor

Clean Interior

Oil & Grease, Change

Oil & Check Over

Total

Mod. interested in

Salesman

Selling price

Less Repairs

Allowance

Date Appraised by For immediate acceptance only.

Make

Body Style

Year

License

Serial

Mileage

Remarks

RAPIFORD - PATENTED - BUY BUSINESS FORMS LIMITED

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

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

SUB-COMMISSION

B E F O R E

10 (THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.G. BUCKINGHAM, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

Winnipeg, Manitoba,
27th September, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIMS OF

HIROKICHI MORITA

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PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

APPEARANCES:

F.M. FERG, Esq., Appearing for the
Dominion Government.

S.M. CHERNICK, Esq., Appearing for the
Claimant.

G.E.R. UPTON, Esq., Official Interpreter.

30 MARK H. PEARCE, Esq., Sr., Official Reporter.

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In Chief.

HIROKICHI MORITA, the claimant herein, being first
duly sworn, testified as follows:

MR. CHERNIACK: Your honour, about the only amendment is
in regard to real property. The Custodian's sale price
was \$200.00. The loss claimed, therefore, is \$300.00
on the real property.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. CHERNIACK:

Q Mr. Morita, I show you three typewritten statements,
were these prepared in accordance with your instructions,
10 did you read these over this morning?

A Yes.

Q And are they in accordance with your instructions, or
prepared in accordance with your instructions?

A Yes.

Q And are these (indicating) your signatures?

A Yes.

Q You swear the contents to be true to the best of your
knowledge and recollection? A Yes.

MR. CHERNIACK: I tender as Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 respectively,
20 your honour, the Real Estate Statement, the Personal
Property Statement as to nets and fishing gear and the
Chattel Statement, and on behalf of my learned friend
I will file as Exhibit 4 the Appraisal, and as Exhibit 5
the Custodian's Analysis Sheet.

(Real Estate Statement, EXHIBIT 1.)

(Personal Property Statement, EXHIBIT 2.)

(Personal Chattels Statement, EXHIBIT 3.)

(Appraisal, EXHIBIT 4.)

(Custodian's Analysis Sheet, EXHIBIT 5.)

30 MR. CHERNIACK: Your honour, in relation to the real estate,

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in Chief.

you will note this property, consisting of 3 lots each
33 x 120 was purchased in 1940 at a cost of \$255.00.
The claimant sets out that in 1940 he constructed a
bridge 14 x 20 at a cost of \$50.00, he levelled and
cultivated three lots at a cost of \$10.00, planted about
20 mixed fruit trees at a cost of about \$20.00, and
planted one lot with raspberries. He sets out that the
property was bought for him by the River Fish Company,
together with about 6 more lots, and was therefore bought
cheaply. The widow told him that she bought lots im-
mediately next to him about two or three years prior to
his purchase for \$200.00.

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Harvey
Q Mr. Morita, this lot next to you was owned by a widow;
was it a lot the size of one of your lots, or all of
your lots? A I think the widow's lot was
about the size of four lots.

Q Did she pay \$200.00 for each of those four lots, or all
of those four lots? A As I heard it at the
time, she paid \$200.00 for one lot, making \$800.00 for
the total purchase.

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MR. CHERNIACK: The claimant further sets out, your honour,
that these lots were sold in 1944 when land prices were
much higher than when he bought the lots and he thinks
the fair market value at the date of sale was at least
\$500.00. Your honour will note from the Appraisal,
Exhibit 4, that the Appraiser comments that the surround-
ings and locations of the lots are good. He then
indicates the three lots total value at \$200.00, which
appears to have become the sale price of the lots.
30 I would like to indicate, and I think my learned friend

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In Chief.

will confirm it, that the 1942 assessment for these three lots was \$117.00 each, or a total of \$351.00.

MR. FERG: \$351.00.

MR. CHERNIACK: Yes, that is right. I have on my file, and I am showing to my learned friend, a Certificate of Title No. 1357642, dated March 13, 1940, in the name of the claimant, affecting the three lots in question. Turning now to the chattels, your honour, I would like to deal first with the fishing gear, which according to the claimant were stored at the Atlas Cannery, Steveston, British Columbia. Your honour will note in the Analysis, Exhibit 5, that the J.P. Declaration states there were 10 fishing nets, 600 fathoms of fishing line, 800 fathoms of cork line, stored at the Atlas Cannery in Steveston, British Columbia.

Q Do you remember completing this net form?

A Yes, I took this from a book which I had made notes on in Japanese.

(Fishing Net Inventory, EXHIBIT 6.)

MR. CHERNIACK: I also have a note, your honour, that this was inventoried July 10, 1942.

THE INTERPRETER: He said that was made out by his boy on his instructions from his book.

MR. CHERNIACK: Yes. My learned friend has produced from his file, your honour, a report signed by J. D. Mather, July 10, 1942, and your honour will note in connection with the nets that Mr. Mather said he interviewed the Imperial Cannery with regard to the nets and the cannery find they are stored as per inventory, but the prices given are high. This is dated July 10, 1942. Your

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in Chief.

honour will note when you receive this inventory that
all nets for which claims are made are shown here
and the valuation for some is the same as shown in the
inventory. And I should point out the last net that
the claimant speaks of, 310 fathoms 5-5/8 inch and
oil nets \$60.00, whereas the inventory speaks of two
nets, one 5-5/8 and one 6-1/4, each 55 fathoms, each
\$15.00, and at the foot of the inventory is a net,
one net 200 fathoms 5-5/4, \$20.00. That makes up a
total of \$60.00, which would compare to the final net
in the claim \$60.00. Your honour will note the total
in the fathom length is the same as what is shown in
the form, a total of 310 fathoms, so that these goods
were inventoried July 10, 1942, and for that reason I
am at a loss to understand the statement of the
Custodian that these goods were declared but not found.

(Statement dated July 10, 1942, EXHIBIT 7.)

MR. CHERNIACK: If the Custodian will state that Mather
didn't actually see the nets, I have only this inventory
to answer that. If he didn't see the nets, the question
arises how could he make the inventory, or what attempt
he made to confirm that inventory. Not only the Custodian
said in the Analysis that they are declared but not found,
but I find out it appears also that no attempt was made to obtain
the nets according to the file, which I have had with
them, dated May 17, 1944, at which date the Custodian
wrote a letter to the Atlas Cannery and it appears this
ought to be filed for information. My learned friend
has produced from his file a copy of a letter dated
May 17, 1944, from the Custodian to the Imperial Cannery.

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(Letter dated May 17, 1944, EXHIBIT 9.)

MR. CHURCHILL: I think it is important and I would like to read it into the record.

May 17th, 1944.

The Imperial Cannery,

B. C. Packers, Ltd.,

Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sirs:— Re: Japanese-owned net in Atlas Cannery

10 We understand that at the time of evacuation of the Japanese, a number of nets were left in the Atlas Cannery. None, however, were ever removed from this Cannery by our representatives with the exception of 375 loose corks belonging to Hirokichi Morita and found in August 1943 when we believe the Cannery was to be renovated; nor does any equipment from this Cannery appear in your settlement with this office, except some old lead and cork lines belonging to the same man.

20 We are, of course, aware that you advised the Japanese that you could assume no responsibility for nets left in your buildings. In practice, however, you were so good as to exercise a measure of supervision and were, of course, interested yourselves in buying a number of nets.

30 Several Japanese have claimed that nets were left by them at the Atlas Cannery but in no case have we been able to trace the disposal of a single net. Reference to the file of Rinosuke Morimoto shows that this man visited the Cannery on August 7th, 1943 and reported some nets missing. At that time Mr. Gillespie advised that the Atlas Cannery was not being used and

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In Chief.

had been broken into. We scarcely think, however, that the complete contents could have been removed without this becoming general knowledge. Investigating Agent on

Can you throw any light on this matter? We

have several concrete cases in mind, in particular that of Masao Tanaka whose father you recently advised that you had a record of nets stored by him at this Cannery. We have additional cases, but this one will illustrate our point as well as any.

10 We should be glad of any information you can give us as the present position is unsatisfactory as far as our records are concerned. Perhaps, also, it reflects on your Company though we quite understand that you assume no responsibility and have made this attitude clear from the beginning.

It occurs to us that it might be helpful if you give us a list of the nets originally stored at the Atlas Cannery according to your records, together with the disposition made of them as far as your records show.

20 In this connection, we should mention that in the case of some nets held by you, we seem to have received duplicate payment and you might care to investigate this at the same time.

How long have you been Yours truly,

From this I would say H. F. Green

HFG:JF Protection Department.

MR. FERG: For the record, your honour, I will quote from a paragraph of a letter from the Custodian to the claimant dated 21st of May, 1945, in which he says this - it is written as a postscript: "Further to the last paragraph

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for which you are claiming. A man from the Custodian's Office says that the prices you have shown are much too high, what do you think? A I consider that the prices which I put down in my statement were fair market prices.

10 MR. CHUBBIAK: I would like to indicate for the record that these nets seem to have a very substantial depreciation on the basis of the value shown and estimated value at the date of evacuation, except they were only used for one season, except two which were used for two seasons. On the Custodian's Analysis Sheet where they give the details of our claim they show the skiff with a question mark. I checked my original claim and I see there was an omission made for valuation of \$20.00 for the skiff and you will note that Exhibit 2 does give value as \$20.00 for the skiff and that \$20.00 should have been added in the claim, but was inadvertently omitted. Dealing now with the household chattels, you will note the first item, Exhibit 3, refers to a kitchen stove. 20 When we prepared this form we found that the first reference to the Analysis and also the first reference in the claim itself showed a loss of \$29.00 for items sold by auction. They refer only to the kitchen stove, which was sold by the Custodian for \$1.00 and that is that claim for \$30.00. I am pointing out in our claim and Analysis Sheet the item is shown, sold by auction \$20.00, and we find out that meant only the kitchen stove and in Exhibit 3 we are showing it as a kitchen stove, although we show it as sold for \$1.00. The 30 other larger items are ^{all} shown in Exhibit 3 with the

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approximate date of purchase, with the original price paid and the estimated value. All these goods your honour will note were stored at the home of J. Tanaka, on Exhibit B it was reported as early as 1935, that would be a little too early, my original copy says 1943, not 1935, that is just a typographical error.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right to alter it to 1943?

10 MR. CHENHACK: Yes. But before dealing with that problem I would like to point out that the Custodian shows several items, "No record at any time." The first one is a Walnut extension table. I would like to see in the declaration form, referring to the first column, reference is made to 4 tables, so that I submit that item should possibly be declared not found.

Q This kitchen linoleum, Mr. Morita, how many yards did you have? A I had about ten yards on the kitchen and over and above that I had twenty yards which I had rolled up and left in Tanaka's house.

20 Q The ten yards that you had on the floor, was that nailed down in any way? A They were put down with carpet nails.

Q And besides that you say you had about twenty yards?
A All in all.

30 MR. CHENHACK: I would like to point out the balance of the articles shown, "No record at any time," are the small articles not normally shown in the J.P. Form, to my experience. My learned friend advises me that according to records which he has the first reference that the Custodian had of goods at Tanaka's house was in February 1943 when the claimant requested certain

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goods be sent to him. I think that should go into the record. Might I ask my learned friend as to what attempt the Custodian made to locate the goods and let us have whatever list or inventory that was obtained at Tanaka's house.

10 MR. FERG: Well, the record I have, your honour, I might as well give it with regard to the chattels as well as the nets. On the 14th of August, 1942, Mr. King, the Custodian's agent, sent in a signed list from the tenant, Arthur Hubert, which was identical to the list submitted by Mr. Mather. Now, Mr. Mather submitted a list apparently on the 10th of July.

MR. CHETWICK: That was filed as an exhibit.

MR. FERG: Mr. Tanaka confirms on October 30, 1944, a list of chattels submitted by Morita, which was claimed to be stored in Tanaka's house.

THE COMMISSIONER: I do not see any list made of the personal property.

20 MR. FERG: I am speaking of chattels, apparently the list is not there, but at any rate on November 4, 1944, Mr. Harris, the Custodian's agent, was requested to move the chattels from this house and on November 15, 1944, under the name of Morita he removed these chattels to No. 3 Warehouse at Steveston. This list was placed on Morita's file. Now, with regard to nets, the situation is this, taken from the memorandum on the file of the Custodian. With reference to the nets, in Morita's original declaration he states he left 10 fishing nets, 600 fathoms of fishing line and 800 fathoms of cork line, stored at the Atlas Cannery Net House. Mr. Mather, the

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In Chief.

10 Custodian's agent, sent in an inventory on July 10, 1942, giving description of the nets. In a telephone conversation with Mr. Mather, it was admitted he didn't attend to nets but left this work to Thomas G. King. On questioning, Mr. King admits that he didn't take physical inventory of any nets in the cannery, but this information was taken from a ledger which the cannery company supplied at a later date. The Custodian's agent took possession of these books and it was found that this inventory is exactly as entered in the ledger, no nets were found, or inventoried, by the Custodian under the name of Morita. However, lead line, cork line and lead roller and corks were sold and credited to his account, that is the Custodian's statement as to the history of the things.

20 MR. CHERNIACK: It is of interest to note the incompetence of some of the officials that were supposed to have inventoried the nets and we now see they didn't. I am still wondering if we could obtain an inventory of the chattels at Tanaka's place.

MR. FERG: Well, here is something now, here is an inventory dated the 16th of November, 1944, under the name of H. Morita taken from 23 Chatham Street.

MR. CHERNIACK: I would like to see that.

MR. FERG: There is a statement attached to it signed by Mr. Harris and you can have that too.

30 MR. CHARNIACK: Well, your honor, I believe this is only chattels which Harris decided belonged to Morita. I am wondering about Tanaka's list. We can file this if you like, there is a copy of this on the Analysis

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Sheet. Again I may not have heard correctly, but I am under the impression that my learned friend mentioned Mr. Tanaka confirmed the storing of certain goods. Might I ask my learned friend if he has a copy of the letter sent to Tanaka on November 4, 1943.

MR. FERG: To Tanaka?

MR. CHERNIACK: Yes, a copy of which was sent to Morita.

MR. FERG: Not on this file.

BY MR. CHERNIACK:

10 Q Do you remember receiving this letter from the Custodian, it being a copy of a letter to Tanaka?

A Tanaka showed us this letter.

(Letter dated November 4, 1943, EXHIBIT 9.)

MR. CHERNIACK: This is a letter from the Custodian to Tanaka. It is shown as a copy written to Tanaka and I believe it was sent to Mr. Morita. This letter addressed to Tanaka mentions the request of numerous articles by Morita for goods stored at Tanaka's home and the list is as follows: new sofa, bedstead, bed frame, stove, walnut table, inlaid linoleum, 2 chairs, cupboard set, electric toaster, iron, clock and lamp-stand, portable coat hanging set, big picture with frame, several book cases with books, cotton twine 5 lbs., bird cage, nickel boiler, carpenter and other tools, and a 4-gallon kerosene barrel. I have read this out because I think this list includes all the items for which claim is being made by the claimant and I mention that because the Custodian states in his Analysis there is no record at any time, yet we find this letter dated November 1943 which actually gives

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In Chief.

that list and that is the reason why I asked my learned friend if he had a copy of the inventory of all chattels at Tanaka's house, and I might also ask my learned friend if he has a copy of Tanaka's reply to that letter.

10 MR. FERG: There doesn't appear to be a letter from Tanaka to the Custodian in reply, but there is a memo that a reply was received November 3, 1944, stating that the goods in the house at 33 Chatham Street belonged to Morita.

MR. CHERNIACK: Now, I think we should put on the record the letter from the Custodian to Morita dated September 4, 1946, which I will show to Mr. Morita.

Q Do you remember receiving this letter from the Custodian telling you that Tanaka's house had burned down? A Yes, I received that.

(Letter dated September 4, 1946, EXHIBIT 10.)

Letter read as follows:

September 4, 1946.

20 Mr. Hirokichi MORITA, Registration No. 04869,
c/o Mr. A. E. Dearborn, Arnaud, Manitoba.
Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 30th, 1946.

On your original declaration made to this office on April 16, 1942, you stated you left certain goods stored at the Atlas Cannery House. Later it was discovered, before evacuation you removed these goods to the home of J. Tanaka situated at 6th Avenue Chatham Street in Steveston, B.C. All goods

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that could be identified as yours were removed by the Custodian. Three bedsteads and one homeseis table were discarded as of no value and the balance were auctioned and credited to your account. Mr. Tanaka's former house was completely destroyed by fire on December 24, 1944 and if any chattels or furniture were left in this house at that time, belonging to you, they too would have been destroyed.

We hope this will clarify the matter for you.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) Geo. Peters

George Peters

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Administration Department.

MR. CHERNIACK: May I ask my learned friend if he knows whether there was any insurance on the chattels which burned.

MR. FERG: There was insurance on chattels according to the master file my information is, but insurance was not paid for the reason that the Custodian reported that Morita's chattels had been removed prior to fire in November 1944.

MR. CHERNIACK: It appears to me now that the situation is that Morita stated in his J. P. Form certain goods would be at his home. Subsequent to that, at the request of the Custodian, the Custodian discovered these goods were at Tanaka's. Then it would appear that they wrote Mr. Tanaka in 1943, in November, asking for confirmation of all these goods, and from the Custodian's file it would appear that they received a letter a year later that the goods were Morita's.

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Then we found an inventory of Morita's goods, which was made in some fashion or other on November 15, 1944, where only certain goods were removed and now we are told that the insurance was cancelled because everything was taken out.

MR. FERG: Well, the insurance wasn't cancelled, if I recollect correctly, but when they made claim for the insurance it was discovered that the chattels that were in Tanaka's house had been removed prior to the fire.

10 MR. CHERNIACK: Do you mean that all chattels were removed?

MR. FERG: Yes, apparently so.

BY MR. CHERNIACK:

Q Where is Mr. Tanaka? A He has gone to Japan.

MR. CHERNIACK: Well, this is something the Custodian will have to try and straighten out. I have put as much as I can on record without having access to the Custodian's master file, or the little brown envelope. I don't know if I have to put everything relevant on the record, but I have put everything I know on the record and I submit it is now up to the Custodian to account for their various attempts to locate the goods which were indicated to have belonged to Morita and which they learned about in February of 1945. Possibly they might be able to do so by checking Tanaka's file and see what was found there, and possibly that might open up new vistas of investigation. That I cannot say because I haven't had proper access to the file. I might indicate that in relation to the fishing boat, the claim is withdrawn subject to extension on terms of reference.

20 MR. FERG: It is submitted, your honour, that the real

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property was sold at its fair market value and that the articles of chattels sold were sold at their fair market value and also the personal property concerned with fishing gear was sold at its fair market value and the amount claimed for articles not found and for theft, and so on, that the price claimed is excessive and unreasonable. I have been trying to assist my learned friend to ascertain where these goods are and were, but the whole thing in the case is this, that these goods were reported stored in one place - as far as the personal chattels are concerned - and later removed by the claimant to another and not reported to the Custodian. As far as their fishing nets are concerned, I have already read into the record the report there.

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. FERG:

Q Mr. Morita, I show you a statement dated the 24th of February, 1943, is that in your own writing, or prepared by your son under your instructions and signed by you? A I cannot write English and therefore it was written by my son and signed by myself.

Q Yes, and you know the contents of it? A Yes.

MR. FERG: I will file that, it is a request to the British Columbia Security Commission to ship to the claimant certain chattels informing him where the chattels were.

(Statement dated February 24, 1943, EXHIBIT 11.)

Q In this document, Exhibit 11, you informed the British Columbia Security Commission where the goods you are asking to have shipped may be found and you give the

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address on 6th Avenue Chatham Street. Is this the first time you have informed them, after evacuation, where the goods may be found?

A I think this is the first occasion I told them that.

Q When you completed your first form with the Custodian, that is the J.P. Form, at the time of evacuation, you informed him your chattels would be stored at the Atlas Cannery House? A Yes.

Q And you didn't store them there?

10 A The things that I left at Tanaka's house I had not reported and I reported them subsequently and I heard subsequently from a friend that I should have reported these to the Custodian and, therefore, I reported them.

Q And when did you report to the Custodian about the goods you had left at Tanaka's? A I am not certain of the date in 1945.

Q That is when you wrote the British Columbia Security Commission asking them to ship the goods, that was the first time you told anybody that the goods were at Tanaka's? A Yes.

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Q Now, when you left the goods at Tanaka's, did he undertake or agree to look after them for you?

A When I left, Tanaka left shortly afterwards, and he had everything securely tagged and put away there.

Q Tanaka had? A Tanaka came at the same time as I did.

Q Who did you leave your goods with when Tanaka was evacuated? A They were left in the house, packed up.

20 Q And you didn't report that to the Custodian?

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Re-exam.

A There was no time, as we had to go off right away and we didn't report it.

Q With regard to the fishing nets, what was your arrangement with the Atlas Cannery regarding leaving your nets there, did you make any arrangements at all with the cannery company as to the care of your nets while you were evacuated?

A When we left, the understanding was we were working for the cannery, we left our nets there. We had a man down from the cannery to check over the nets, the net house was locked up and I, personally, gave the key to the cannery man.

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Q You left the key with the cannery man?

A Yes, I left it with the manager of the cannery.

Q Did the cannery company make a list of the nets that you left?

A The cannery came and checked the items of the nets from my book and the nets were tagged and I left my book with the cannery.

Q Did you put a price on the nets?

A Yes, I put the price on the tags.

20 MR. FERG: That is all, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

RE-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHERNIACK:

Q In Tanaka's house were there any goods that belonged to Tanaka, or were they all yours?

A They were both Tanaka's goods and my goods in the house.

MR. CHERNIACK: Your honour, I find there were two more letters which I think should go on file in order to give a clearer picture. One is a letter to Tanaka from the Custodian dated October 18, 1944. I do not know if my

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learned friend has it, and the other is December 2, 1944. I have the originals.

MR. FARNS: You can put them in.

MR. CHERNIACK: These are both original letters from the Custodian. The first is October 18, 1944, addressed to Tanaka.

(Letter dated October 18, 1944, EXHIBIT 12.)

Above letter from the Custodian to J. Tanaka read as follows:

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October 18th, 1944.

Mr. Jiroichi TANAKA,

c/o F. Penner,

Lafayette, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Having received no answer to our letters of November 4/43, and September 21/44 we shall assume that the furniture and effects stored in your house at 28 Chatham St. Steveston, belong to Hirokichi MORITA as stated by him.

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When these goods are sold at auction we shall credit the account of H. Morita with all the proceeds.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) R. B. Mackenzie.

R.B. Mackenzie,

Protection Department.

REM:IM

MR. CHERNIACK: And your honour will note that my learned friend mentioned a memo on file which indicates that in November 1944 a reply was received from Tanaka agreeing that these goods belonged to Morita. And there is

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another letter to the claimant dated December 2, 1944.

(Letter dated December 2, 1944, EXHIBIT 13.)

Letter from the Custodian to Mr. H. Morita, dated
December 2, 1944, read as follows:

December 2, 1944.

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA.

Reg. No. 08869.

c/o Mr. A.W. Dearborn,

Arnold, Man.

Dear Sir:

We thank you for your letter of
October 30th, asking for shipment of some of your
effects stored in the house of Jiroichi TANAKA, at 23
Chatham Street.

We will be unable to send the goods
requested to you with the exception of the framed
picture. For some time now it has been the policy of
the Canadian Government to make no shipments of house-
hold effects which have a resale value, but to sell
them at public auction.

For your information we enclose
circular letter G-534 from the B.C. Security Commission.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) R.B. Mackenzie.

R.B. Mackenzie

Protection Department.

REM:IM
Encl.

MR. CHESWICK: So that the fire took place shortly after
that and in view of this last letter I am again at a
loss to understand the statement that all the goods
were taken out and I hope that will get clarification

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in Vancouver.
THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINCE DUE)

Certified to be a true and accurate transcript.

Mark H. Pearson
MARK H. PEARSON, Sr.,
OFFICIAL REPORTER.

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Sub-Commissioner, hereby
certify that the foregoing 22 pages of typewritten matter
contain a true and accurate record of the Sub-Commission
held in the Law Courts Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba, at the
time and date first above mentioned.

K. G. Henderson
SUB-COMMISSIONER.

DEFENCE BRIEF

Hirokichi MORITA

File No. 4985

Case No. 951

PERSONAL PROPERTY

a) Goods to value \$30.00

Not appraised

Sold at auction \$1.00

Stove \$30.00

Exh.3 notes purchased 1939 also that "sides" replaced 1942 at a cost of \$10.00

New

evidence -----

Mrs. Hubert's chattel receipt for items left at Tanaka's house notes her desire to purchase chattels "...all but the stove it isn't worth anything".

WITNESS: G.M. Harris (auction)

b) Goods to value \$37.50

Not appraised
other than
Cstdn. rep.

Abandoned

Bedsteads and table amounting to value of \$37.50 abandoned by Harris. See PP.7 Claim file.

WITNESS: G.M. Harris

c) Goods to value \$209.95

Not appraised

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Chattels originally declared by Claimant to be left in Atlas Cannery Co. House. Claimant left them with Jiroichi TANAKA file 4120 at 33 Chatham St. Steveston. Claimant's requisition dated 24 Feb 1943 gave Cstdn first knowledge of whereabouts. Tanaka confirmed 30 Oct 44 after repeated letters that list provided were chattels belonging to Morita.

Robinson, formerly Cstdn Steveston agent, did not take charge of chattels as he should have, and the majority of the items, if found, were allowed to disappear one way and another.

Various lists etc on file appear to denote that Morita more than likely did have chattels of the nature claimed upon, the only argument seeming to be that he didn't leave them where he said he would, and that the prices claimed are excessive.

NOTE: "New Sofa \$56.50" is noted on Exh. 3 as having been purchased July, 1942. Claimant was evacuated 26 Apr., 1942.

Major items, as per Exh.3, are noted to have been purchased in the majority of cases during 1941. The late date of purchase evidently being used to substantiate the high claim prices. He had five children ranging in age from 9 to 17 years, and it is doubtful as to whether these purchases were all made within a year or two of his evacuation. Hubert list as per (a) above notes making tables as 'old hand made'.

* NETS, LINES & SKIFF

d) Gear to value of \$153.00

Not appraised

Sold for \$73.50

e) Gear to value of \$945.00

Declared, not found.

Mather report Exh.7 notes "Have interviewed the Imperial Cannery with regard to the Nets and they find that they are stored as per inventory, but the prices given are very high".

Atlas Cannery (Imperial) state d on 1 Apr 43 that all nets and lines had been removed by C.C. Robinson prior to that date. The file does not

reveal any record as to whether Robinson removed them or even found them. If the nets were there, they have just disappeared.

24 Jan 49

FISHING VESSEL

Claim for fishing vessel withdrawn subject to extension of terms of reference.

LIST OF WITNESSES

- a) G.M. Harris
- b) G.M. Harris
- c)
- d) C.C. Robinson
- e) Mather Robinson
- f) Coulthard

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

Auction sheet & Hubert chattel receipt.
Abandonment notice PP.7 on file

Exh 7

Exh 5 Tax notice RP.2

SUBMISSION P.17 "...that the real property was sold at its fair market value and that the articles of chattels sold were sold at their fair market value and also the personal property concerned with fishing gear was sold at its fair market value and the amount claimed for articles not found and for theft, and so on, that the price claimed is excessive and unreasonable."

f)

REAL PROPERTY

EST. VALUE
\$500.00

Appraised
\$200.00

SOLD FOR
200.00 Cat.#769

WITNESS: F.H. Coulthard

Claimant (Exh.1) states 3 lots purchased \$255.00. Bridge & crop \$90.00.
States hearsay evidence that adjoining lot sold for \$200. Exh.1.

P.3 L.1 notes Claimant purchased lots in 1940.

P.3 L.10 Cherniack pursues question of purchase of adjoining lots, asks Claimant whether size of land purchased was same size as has three lots. Claimant states "I think the widow's lot was about the size of four lots".

Claimant then states: "As I heard it at the time, she paid \$200. for one lot..."

Cherniack states that Claimant considers land prices higher in 1944 than when he purchased his lots.

Cherniack points out that 1942 assessment: 3 lots \$351.00

Coulthard appraisal 18 Apr 44:

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Lot 12 Cultivated | 75.00 |
| 13 raspberries | 75.00 |
| 14 rough pasture | 50.00 |
| | <u>200.00</u> |

Coulthard states land unfenced.

Single offer to purchase, Boire \$200.00 on 10 Aug 44 -- accepted.

JC/..

Name of Claimant MORITA, Hirokichi

Case 951

Custodian File 4983

| REAL PROPERTY | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 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 | | |
| | | 200.00 | 20.00 | .00 12.50 | | | | | 32.50 | |
| 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 & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing | 45% of amount in next preceding column | | | |
| | | | | | | 99.44 1018.56 | | | | |
| 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 | |
| | | | | | | | 99.44 1018.56 | 732.60 | 67.50 | 715.10 |
| MISCELLANEOUS CHATELS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | | | |
| | | | 46% | 209.95 | 96.57 | | | 96.57 | | |
| TOTAL RECOMMENDATION | | | | | | | | | | 844.17 |

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October 10th, 1950.

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
1821 McDermot Ave.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 951

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 ... \$844.17

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$811.72
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 32.45
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

FCS/js
1 encl.

F.G. Shears
Director

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| EVACUATION SECTION | |
| Rec'd | OCT 16 1950 |
| File No. | 4985 |
| Ans. | |
| Referred | <i>[Signature]</i> |

1821 McDermot Ave.,
Winnipeg, Man.,
October 13, 1950

Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian

Case 957

506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings and Granville,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I wish to inform you that I have received the cheque for the sum of eight hundred and eleven dollars and seventy-two cents (\$811.72)

Please acknowledge my thanks and appreciation

Yours very truly,

Reg. No. 04869

Hirokichi Morita

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March 22nd, 1951

Mr. Hirokichi MORITA,
1821 McDermot Ave.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Sir:

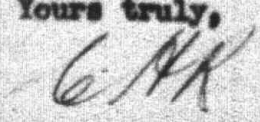
Distribution is now being made from the
assets of the River Fish Company at the rate of \$33.98
per share. You were the holder of 16 shares and payment
to you is as follows:

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| 16 shares | \$ 543.65 |
| Less previously advanced | <u>70.00</u> |
| | \$ 473.65 |

Custodian cheque for this amount is attached
hereto.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,


C. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

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