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BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. _____

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having no property in any protected area.

NAME: TOTTORI, KotaroHOME ADDRESS: Ganges, B. C. REGISTRATION No. 10106SEX: Male AGE: 70 MARRIED? noOCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: Farm hand - None

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: _____ ADDRESS: _____

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: _____ ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

I certify that the above information is true and complete and state that I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia.

Dated this 24 day of April 1942WITNESS: Geo. O. [Signature]

K. Tottori
(Signature)

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Sept. 20/42

War File No. 5903

Full Name TOTTORI, Katano
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10106

Male - Female
(check)

Age Nov. 12, 1871

Former Address Angus, S.C.

Date Evacuated July 18/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address London, S.C. (Deceased)

Died at Sloan B.C. on Nov. 17/45

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother decd Name of Father decd

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by A. M. Registered with Custodian _____

(Yes or No)

Additional Information Turn hand

GENERAL SUMMARY

File 5903

Kotaro TOTTORI, Deceased.

Reg. No. 10106

Kotaro TOTTORI died at Slooan, B. C. on November 17, 1945. According to information given on his Custodian declaration, the deceased was single and seventy-three years of age at the time of his death.

TOTTORI declared no assets and no liabilities to the Custodian but information was received from Mr. Mount of Salt Spring Lands, Ltd., that TOTTORI left a small quantity of household goods in a shack which he occupied, rent free, with the permission of the owner of the property. The goods were removed from the shack when the property changed hands and were sold at auction on November 15, 1944 for a net amount of \$19.87.

The only claim filed against the deceased is for the sum of \$80.00 to cover funeral expenses paid by the Department of Labour. The small credit balance in the account of the deceased in this office, \$19.87, was forwarded to the Department of Labour on January 12, 1946, to apply on this claim.

No assets and no liabilities, other than those mentioned above, appear on this file.

This summary is certified
to be in accordance with
information on file.



June 23, 1947.

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MEMORANDUM

File No.: 5903

March 8th, 1945.

To: Miss Charlotte Girard

From: Mr. Green

Re: Kotaro TOTTORI

19.37 Will you kindly arrange for the transfer of \$25.15, gross proceeds of auction sale, less commission and advertising \$3.78 and moving expenses \$1.50, for a net of \$19.87, to be transferred from Suspense to the account of the above Japanese.

I suppose we shall have to treat this as an auction in itself and give it a number in sequence with those previously held at Salt Spring Island.

25.15 3.78
5.29 1.50

\$19.87 5.27

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transferred 23/4/45. e.g.

Unable to transfer before as list of goods sold, received only 14/4/45

NAME TOTTORI, Ketaro

REGISTRATION NO. 10106

FILE NO. 5903

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Salt Spring Island, B.C. on November 15, 1944

1 Mattress	\$ 0.30
Box bottles	0.25
2 old tea bottles	1.10
2 Aluminium Pots	0.70
2 Iron pots	0.25
Tobacco cutter	0.25
lunch kit	0.25
Wrench & hammer	1.00
Ice & hammer	1.50
Box of odds & ends	1.50
Box of odds & ends	0.50
Box of odds & ends	1.05
Box of odds & ends	1.60
Box of odds & ends	0.25
3 Old lanterns	0.25
2 Baskets	0.20
Wash tub	0.70
Box of rubber boots	0.50
3 Hand saws	2.25
1 Shovel & 1 Mattock	0.50
5 Assorted Garden tools	1.00
2 Old Cross Cut Saws	3.75
1 Peavee	2.00
1 Hand axe	2.00
3 wheels	1.50

Total		\$ 25.15
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: 15%) \$3.78		
Movings 1.50		\$ 5.28
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 19.87

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Salt Spring Island 2.

Remarks. No list on file

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March 13th, 1945.

Mr. Gavin Mouat,
Box 35,
Ganges, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Kotaro TOTTORI

Further to recent correspondence, we have now been able to identify the Japanese "Tori" as the above. When you sent us the proceeds of sale of his goods, you did not give us any list of the articles sold and as we assume that you will have kept a record of this, we should be glad if you would let us have an itemized list as we need this for reporting to the owner.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

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VICE-PRESIDENT: G. J. MOUAT

SECRETARY-TREASURER: A. INGLIS

SALT SPRING LANDS, LTD.

BOX 35
GANGES, B.C.

REAL ESTATE
STOCKS AND BONDS
MORTGAGES
CONVEYANCING

PHONE: GANGES 2-M

November 3-1944.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Received	7 1944
File No.	
Ans.	G185
Referred	Green

AGENTS FOR:
GUARDIAN ASSURANCE CO.
MONTION UNION FIRE INSUR-
ANCE CO.
PHOENIX ASSURANCE CO.
THE UNION MARINE & GENERAL
INSURANCE CO. LTD.
QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY

G 185
H.F. Green, Esq.,
Protection Dept.,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

There is a small quantity of tools and household goods belonging to a Japanese known locally as 'Tori'. These were left by him in a shack which he had rent free from the owner here for some years.

The property on which this shack stood has now been sold, and I had to have the stuff cleared out, and have had it moved to the Mahon Hall for storage, pending instructions from you.

I recommend that all this man's goods be offered at the next Auction Sale which will probably be November 15th. ✓

I have searched my files, and can find no trace of this fellow's Registration, but I believe that he is at Sandon, B.C., and that if you want to get his Registration number you could write to Yetsujiro Takebe, Registration number 10081, (file 5374), at Sandon, B.C. Tori is a friend of Takebe, the last information I had he was in the same Camp as Takebe.

Meantime I think you should instruct me to sell these chattels, as it is difficult to find storage for this type of stuff in the Mahon Hall.

As you are aware there are still some goods stored in the Mahon Hall, and I am enclosing a bill for storage to date, from the Salt Spring Consolidated School Board.

Would you please instruct me as to whether these goods are to be offered at the Auction Sale November 15th or not?

Further, in regard to these items being sold at Auction. I have noted from time to time that you have questioned the Salt Spring Lands' right to charge 15%. I think, if I remember right, the Custodian was prepared to pay 10%, plus the advertising.

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VICE-PRESIDENT: G. J. MOUAT

SECRETARY-TREASURER: A. INGLIS

SALT SPRING LANDS, LTD.

AGENTS FOR:
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NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE CO.
PHOENIX ASSURANCE CO.
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QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY

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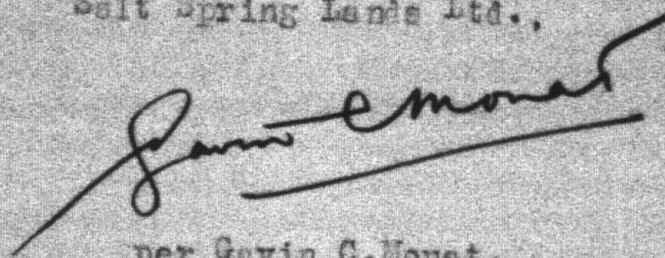
PHONE: GANGES 3-M

In all cases where we have charged you 15%, we have absorbed the advertising, which I think you will agree costs more than 5%. In any case we cannot offer to handle this type of goods for less than 15%.

Enclosed you will find a bill from Mr. Wagg for cartage of this man's chattels from the shack to the Mahon Hall.

Yours truly,

Salt Spring Lands Ltd.,



per Gavin C. Mouat.

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file wanted
Telesgino *INTEREST*
5374

November 9th, 1944.

aka in reply - file 5374

Mr. Gavin Mouat,
Box 35,
Ganges, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Thank you for yours of November 3rd which we have not answered more promptly due to pressure of work and which we are now sending you a preliminary answer to in order that you may know how to act at your next auction sale.

We have not been able to identify the man "Tori" but agree that these goods may be disposed of at your next auction. We assume that you will set aside any personal effects of a sentimental nature which would not be readily salable.

Turning to the effects left in the Mahon Hall, we were not aware that these were at all considerable or that storage was accruing on them. Mr. Carlsen has now left us and we cannot contact him at the moment. It was our understanding, however, that anything left at your end would be of a sentimental nature as otherwise it would have been sold at your previous auction.

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If these effects are salable, then please include them in your next auction; if not, please ship them to Vancouver for storage here but be careful, please, to see that they are of a type that would be worth the cost of shipment and not, as so often happens in the case of Japanese, just boxes of rags and old merchandise.

We note what you write about advertising and agree that small sundry effects of this nature may be handled for 15% including cost of advertising. We think, however, that no extra handling or other charge should be added to this. We will shortly send you cheques for the accounts enclosed with your letter under reply.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

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PRESIDENT: D. S. HARRIS

VICE-PRESIDENT: G. J. MOUAT

SECRETARY-TREASURER: A. INGLIS

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QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY

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January 18-1945.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd JAN 19 1945	REAL ESTATE STOCKS AND BONDS MORTGAGES CONVEYANCING
File No.	PHONE GANGES 3-M
Refer	5/2/45

file G/184⁵

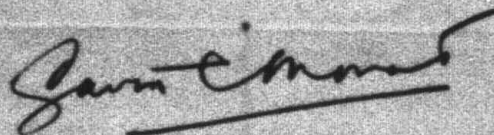
H.F. Green, Esq.,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to instructions in your letter of November 9th. We did sell at Auction certain goods for a Japanese by the Name of 'Tori', and I enclose herewith our cheque for \$21.37, being the proceeds of the sale of same.

I have been holding this cheque on my desk in the hopes of obtaining Tori's registration number, but so far have been unable to get it. I understand Tori is at Sandon, B.C. In any case, he is a friend of Mr. Yetsujiro Takebe, whose registration number is #10081, file 5374, and perhaps you can get the missing information by checking up on Mr. Takebe.

Yours truly,



Gavin C. Mouat.

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PRESIDENT: D. E. HARRIS

VICE-PRESIDENT: G. J. MOUAT

SECRETARY-TREASURER: A. INGLIS

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PHONE GANGES 3-M

file 5903.

March 24-1945.

H.F. Green, Esq.,
Protection Department,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re Kotaro Tottori

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 26 1945
File No.	5903
Ans.	
Referred	Green

Dear Sir;

We have your letter of the 13th inst., and have finally found time to dig up our records in connection with the sale of this man's goods.

As you will appreciate, these goods were in pretty poor shape, in fact some of the items were practically valueless; however, we give you an itemised list of the goods which were sold:

- 1 Mattress.
- Box of Bottles
- 2 old Tea Kettles
- 2 Aluminium Pots
- 2 Iron Pots
- Tobacco Cutter
- Lunch kit
- 1 Hatchet
- 2 Hammers
- 2 Axes
- 3 Old Lanterns
- 2 Demijohns
- 2 Oil Cans
- 2 Buckets
- Wash Tub
- Box of rubber boots
- 3 Hand Saws
- 1 Shovel
- 1 Mattock
- 5 Assorted garden tools
- 2 Old crosscut Saws
- 1 Peevee
- 3 Wheels
- 5 Small Cartons of odds and ends.

Yours truly,

SALT SPRING LANDS LIMITED.

Gavin C. Mouat
Gavin C. Mouat.

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April 2nd, 1945.

Mr. Gavin Mounat,
Box 35,
Ganges, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Kotaro TOTTORI

We are sorry to trouble you again, but would be much obliged if you would arrange to have the prices for which each item was sold, entered against the list given in your letter of March 24th which we are returning herewith for this purpose. You will appreciate that as a rule, after an auction, we receive the original or duplicate auctioneer's list and the information given on them is the basis for crediting the account of the Japanese and advising them of particulars for any item which they may feel disposed to query. We quite realize that none of these items or the total were of any value but this is all the more likely to lead to queries. If several items were sold as a lot, of course, it would be quite in order to show the price for each lot bracketting together the items concerned.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

Enc.
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April 30th, 1945.

The B. C. Security Commission,
The Dick Building,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Kotaro TOTTORI--Reg. No. 10106

With further reference to yours of March 5th, please note that this man's few belongings had to be moved from the shack in which they were left since the land on which it was erected (and for which no ground rent was charged) has changed hands.

They have now been sold at auction as per our enclosure and we hold the sum of \$19.37 to his account. This can be made available to you to supplement his maintenance or otherwise cover his declining years.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

Enc.
HFG:IF

No answer on 4/1
May 22nd - no
further action till
funds called for

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR - CANADA
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

EVACUATION SECTION	
Date	NOV 24 1945
File	G-578 5903
Ans.	
Entered	Thompson

Date: November 23/45

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

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that (NAME) TOTTORI, Kotaro
(REGISTRATION NO.) 10106 died at (PLACE) Slocan City Hospital
on (DATE) November 17/45.

This is for your information.

Yours truly,
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION,

M.L. Brown
M.L. Brown,
Office Manager.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 11 1945
File No.	5913
Ans'd	
Refer'd	<i>[Signature]</i>

360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
December 10, 1945.

ENEMY SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 11 1945
File No.	
Ans'd	
Refer'd	

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

Re: TOTTORI, Katsutaro #10106 Dec'd.

Dear Sir:

We wish to make claim for recovery of the sum of \$50.00 from the estate of the above mentioned deceased, to cover the cost of funeral expenses paid by this Department in connection with his burial.

Please advise as to whether there are sufficient funds available in the estate to take care of this account, or if there is a relative of the deceased with sufficient assets who would have legal responsibility for the funeral expenses.

For your information, Mr. Tottori died on November 17th, 1945.

Yours truly,

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

M. H. Brown
M. H. Brown
Office Manager.

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Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.,
12th January, 1946.

Department of Labour,
Japanese Division,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Estate of Kotaro TOTURI, Deceased, #10106

We are in receipt of your letter of the 10th instant and wish to advise you that according to our records, the above decedent had no living relatives.

As far as we know, he had no assets apart from a balance of \$19.87 with the Custodian and we are enclosing herewith our cheque for this amount on account of funeral expenses paid by your Office. Kindly acknowledge receipt in due course.

Yours truly,

W.J. JOHNSTON
ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

WJJ/SG
Encl.