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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: MURAKAMI Sokichi
 HOME ADDRESS: 229 Ewen Ave., New Westminster B.C.
 REGISTRATION NUMBER 08207 SEX: Male AGE: 27
 OCCUPATION: Shoe Maker.

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

EMPLOYER: Self

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Naka 7741

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 229 Ewen Ave., New Westminster B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Nancy Kazue, (F) Mary Ann Hanako (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: 229 Ewen Ave., New Westminster B.C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 7. 3

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: -----

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: -----

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) -----

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) -----

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Renting House, room

T. Ota

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: T. Ota, 229 Ewen Ave., New Westminster

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

Monthly Rental of \$6.00. Paid up to date.

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.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

none

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

none

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: none
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: none
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) none
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) none
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none
9. LIFE INSURANCE: Prudential Life Insurance Co. \$375.00. Policy #11434500
Prudential Life Insurance Co. \$1000.00. Policy No. 8169448.
Beneficiary Mother. Kinu Murakami.
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. none
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: none

LIABILITIES:

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

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

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

Dated this 5th day of May 1942.

(Signature)

S. Murakami

J. T. Williams
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Aug 21/43
Aug 19/43

File No. 7747

1 Name

MURAKAMI

Sekichi

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

08207

Male - Female
(check)

Age

June 12, 1914

Former Address

229 Ewen Ave, New West, B.C.

Date Evacuated

May 17/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

2024 Avenue St. Montreal
2827 Mission St.

Nov 24/42

Present Address

Kash, B.C.

ried - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

(Inde) Naka # 08206

Name of Husband

-

Name of Mother

MURAKAMI, Kinn

Name of Father

Sosuke (Deil)

Names of Children under 16

02700

Kazuyo Nancy (F) May 16/35

Maryann Kaneko (F) July 3/39

Requested by

Mavel

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Shoe Maker

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 7747

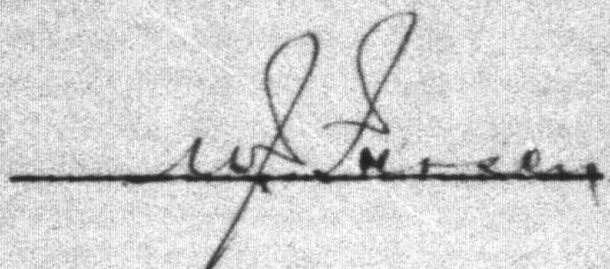
February 12th, 1946.

Re: Sokichi MURAKAMI, Reg. 08207

This file reveals no real property interest and no record of fire insurance carried on any property belonging to this person.

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

WJI:DP

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 7747

February 12th, 1945.

Re: Sokichi MURAKAMI, Reg. 08207

CHATELS:

Sokichi MURAKAMI declared that he had no chattels on his J. P. form dated May 5th, 1942. He was evacuated on May 17th, 1942.

Under date of December 21st, 1942 Reverend W. R. McWilliams acknowledged that he had in his care a shoe repairing outfit which he assumed belonged to the above declarant. On MURAKAMI'S request this was turned over to the Custodian by Mr. McWilliams on November 14th, 1942 and it was sold by tender on December 28th, 1945 for \$500.00, this amount being placed to MURAKAMI'S credit. The sums of \$9.00 for hauling, \$5.00 valuating cost and \$6.67 advertising cost were charged against this amount.

SPECIFIED
ARTICLES:

This file reveals no specified articles.

LIFE
INSURANCE:

The above Japanese holds the following policies:

Prudential Life Assurance Company Policy #11434500, \$375.00
Prudential Life Assurance Company Policy #8169448, \$1000.00.

Both these policies are in his possession.

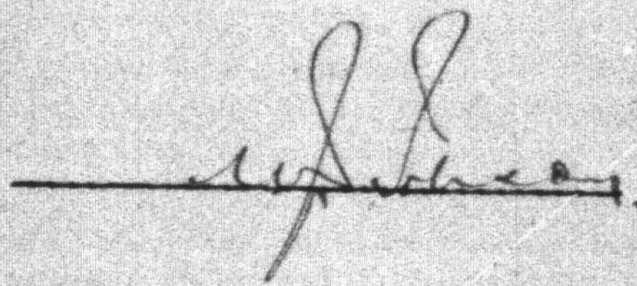
MONEYS
RECEIVABLE:

A balance in the amount of \$10.03 remains at the credit of Sokichi MURAKAMI in the Bank of Montreal at Main and Hastings Streets, Vancouver. This amount was transferred by them to this office and placed to MURAKAMI'S credit.

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

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

WJI:DP

A handwritten signature, possibly reading "W. J. I.", is written over a horizontal line.

MEMORANDUM

File No. 7747

November 24th, 1945.

TO: The File

FROM: Mr. Spain

RE: Sekichi MURAKAMI
Shoe Makers Machinery

The Rev. W. R. MacWilliams called at this office and requested us to remove a lot of shoe makers machinery from his residence and to sell it for the account of the owner. He gave the name of the owner as "MURAKAMI", but had no other particulars, registration number, file number or the Christian name.

After a considerable search I was able to identify this equipment as belonging to the above mentioned file.

Mr. MacWilliams also advised that he would communicate with MURAKAMI and request him to write to us direct giving his full name and registration number.

Identification and confirmation of correct ownership should reach us very soon.

In the meantime I am preparing a description of the machinery for the usual advertisement for tender.

A personal examination of the equipment leads me to the opinion that this material may be worth \$200.00 or \$300.00.

GBS:LEW

W. R. MacWilliams

Shoemaker Equipment,
S. Murakami, File 7747
Stored at 604 Cordova St., Vancouver.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 13 1945
File No.	7747
Ass.	
Referred	<i>Spain</i>

Let to you

- 1 Champion Stitcher
Manufactured by Champion Shoe Machinery Co.
St. Louis.
Part head missing (can be replaced)
- 1 Combined Buffer Cleaner & Polisher
complete with Belts, Pulleys and Shafting.
- 1 2. H.P. General Electric Motor (\$40.00)
- 1 Singer Stitcher, 29 K.2, Treadle & Handle
- 1 Model Tip Toe Press
Mfg. by Specialty Corp., Cleveland
- 1 American St. Louis Trimmer
- 1 Stretcher, new.
- 1 small Hand Stretcher
- 1 D Wall Switch
- 2 Wall Switches
- 1 Repair Last
- 1 Wood Stretcher
- 12 ft. Conduit Pipe
- 1 Wood Counter 5 Ft.
- 1 Coleman Oil Radiator, value(\$7.50)

Total Value

\$497.50

R. T. Maurer

LIABILITY SUMMARY

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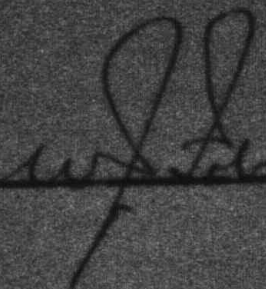
February 12th, 1946.

Re: Sokichi MURAKAMI, Reg. 08207

This file reveals no liabilities.

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

WJL:DP



MEMORANDUM

File No. 7747

November 29th, 1945.

TO: Mr. F. G. Shears

FROM: Mr. G. B. Spain

RE: Sokichi MURAKAMI (Montreal)
Shoe Makers Machinery

The above noted Japanese declared no personal property.

The Rev. W. R. MacWilliams called and gave me the following information:

1. That he had shoe making machinery stored in his house and that he had received word from MURAKAMI requesting that it be sold as he was in need of financial support.
2. Mr. MacWilliams is leaving his present residence and wished the machinery removed as soon as possible.

I have written to MURAKAMI and have advised him of the removal of the machinery to our warehouse and our intention of selling it by public tender.

I have examined the equipment and find it in good condition and I believe it will command a ready sale, particularly in view of the number of Veterans now seeking shoe making equipment.

I should like to advertise it for sale by public tender and describe everything as completely as possible within the usual limits.

Your approval will be appreciated.

GBS:LEW

Geo. G. Spain

December 16, 1942.

MEMORANDUM - MR. GREEN

Reverend W. R. MacWilliams, whose address is 1715 W 49th Avenue, Vancouver, dropped in to this office on December 15th and stated that he was holding in storage at his address the following:

- 7777 1. Shoe repairing outfit belonging to "Bert" Murakami, New Westminster, B. C.
- 7777 2. A bedroom suite and electric sewing machine belonging to Masako Fujimoto. ✓
- 7777 3. A living room suite belonging to Minoru Suzuki. ✓

Would you please check the files on all three individuals and then obtain formal acknowledgment from Mr. MacWilliams of his custody of the chattels listed.

I am personally of the opinion that if MacWilliams would put things in writing instead of constantly phoning up this office, life would be happier.

RPA:MA

Noted & written up 12/12 *RM*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address Kaslo, B. C.Date August 3, 1943To: The Secretary of State, acting in his
capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd <u>AUG 10 1943</u>
File No. <u>7747</u>
Ans. <u>Mackenzie</u>
Refer <u>Mackenzie</u>

I, Bert Sokichi Murakami, Police Registration No. 08207hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property
stored at 229 Ewen Ave., New Westminsterin possession of Toshiyasu Otaand I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to
such property.

Description of Property:

Boxes in the right hand corner as you enter the back room.The house is at the rear of ¹¹⁷299 Ewen Avenue.Original Address 229 Ewen Avenue

Date Evacuated to Vancouver _____

Date Evacuated to Present Address May 17th 1943

Number in Family - 12 years and over _____

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 1Number in Family - under 5 1TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 2I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia
Security Commission.

APPROVED:

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: J.W. Long headClaimant Signs Here Murakami

Custodian Vancouver
Two copies - Shall ship when
mutually convenient. B.C. Sec. Com.
C.W. Fisher
Vancouver Aug 9-43 -

Advertisement appearing in the Vancouver Newspapers
on December 5th and 6th, 1945.

File No. 7747

DEPARTMENT OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE

Office of the Custodian

For Sale by Tender

The Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian under or by virtue of the War Assets Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943), hereby offers for sale by public tender such interests as are listed in him in the following:

Parcel "A," Glove Making Machinery—2 sewing machines, 2 motors, 20 shape cutters, shafting, pulleys, belt, machine tables, electric ironing.

Parcel "B," Glove Knitting Machinery and Accessories.

Parcel "C," Dental Equipment—1 Ideal Columbia dental chair, 1 dental drill and tools, 1 dental cabinet, dental accessories.

Parcel "D," Shoemakers' Machinery—Singer sewing machine, fuse box, motor, shafting pulley, buffers, polishers, belt, toe press, Champion stitcher and a quantity of shoemakers supplies.

Parcel "E," Diesel Engine—One 50-h.p. diesel engine.

Parcel "F," New Books—7 cases new account books, ledgers, journals, cash books, day books, record books, autograph books, memo books, blank books.

Tenders for the individual parcels should be addressed to the undersigned, marked "Tender," up to Noon on the 2nd day of December, 1945, and must be accompanied by a certified cheque payable to the Custodian for ten per cent. (10%) of the amount tendered.

Further particulars and arrangements to inspect may be obtained from the undersigned.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

These assets are offered for sale without any warranty whatsoever on the part of the Custodian as to the condition or state of repair.

DATED at Vancouver, B.C., this 5th day of December, 1945.

THE CUSTODIAN,

204 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

January 3, 1949.

Samuel A. Moore, Esq.,
Official Administrator,
Court House,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Kimu Murakami (or Inouye), Deceased,
Registration No. 02700

On October 9, 1948, we enquired concerning progress in administering the Estate of Kimu Murakami. As already advised, we have a credit balance of \$489.25 in the account of the deceased which we would like to be able to dispose of.

In your letter to this office dated January 12, 1948, you stated that you were writing for information as to next of kin but since that time we do not appear to have heard from you.

In order to clear up the matter of relationship, we would suggest writing to the followings:

Shine Inouye, born June 28, 1883, who was reported by the R.C.M.P. in 1942 to be a single Japanese National, but who declared on his Custodian Registration form at the same time that his wife was Kimu (no other name given). Mrs. Tyler of the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, Vancouver, has informed us that Mrs. Murakami (Inouye) stated to the R.C.M.P. that she was married in Japan twice prior to her arrival in Canada and that in each instance it was a Yoshi Marriage and that the husband in each case married into her family, taking her family name of Murakami, the first husband being Sosuke (surname unknown) and the second being Shine Inouye. Shine Inouye's last known address is New Denver, B. C. as reported March 23, 1945.

Sokichi (Bert) Murakami, male, born in Canada June 12, 1914, who was reported by the Department of Labour on December 22, 1947, to be living at 2827 Masson Boulevard, Montreal, Quebec.

Naomoto Murakami, male, born in Canada May 26, 1916, reported to be married and now living at 83 Metcalfe Street, Toronto, as at January 6, 1948.

Miss Kiyoko Inouye, born in Canada June 6, 1921. Her last known address is New Denver, B. C. as reported March 23, 1945.

Of the three children, the report on Masao and Sokichi Murakami shows Kimu Murakami as their mother and Sosuke Murakami, deceased, as their father. The report on the younger child, Kiyoko Inouye, shows Kimu Murakami as her mother and Tikanori Inouye (also known as Shine Inouye) as her father. Kimu Murakami states in her declaration that her husband is Shine Inouye, although she signs herself "Kimu Murakami". It is to be noted that the Murakamis and Inouyes all lived at 803 Campbell Avenue in Vancouver and Mrs. Murakami died in New Denver on December 20, 1947.

It is likely that any or all of the four persons listed above will be able to give you accurate information concerning the relationship and if Inouye cannot produce evidence of his marriage, the children will no doubt request you to make application for administration of their mother's Estate.

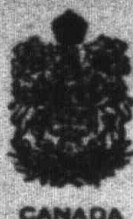
The Department of Labour states that they questioned Kimu Murakami about a marriage certificate and she said that it was not brought from Japan. It is understood that Sosuke, the father of the two boys, is dead.

Would you kindly let us know what action you are taking in this matter.

Yours very truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

AGM/AC



DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 11 1946
File No.	77478
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Mackenzie</i>
<i>Out to Section</i>	

360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.,
April 10, 1946.

Attention R. B. Mackenzie

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

Dear Sir:

MURAKAMI, Bert S. No. 08207

Your recent telephone inquiry: Our file shows
shipment of effects to above as follows:

October 13, 1943 - 1 tool box -- 145 lbs
from Kaslo to Montreal.

November 11, 1943 9 boxes effects 250 lbs
shipped by Dove Messenger to Kaslo, from New Westminster.

February 28, 1944 2 dressers, 1 chest of
drawers, 1 case mirror, 1 bed spring, 1
crated bed ends, 1 bundle bed rails. -- 510 lbs.
Shipped by Ideal Wood Co., - New Westminster
to Montreal.

When this man's family left Kaslo March 11, 1944,
they shipped 9 boxes of household effects weighing 1107
lbs, and a sewing machine weighing 117 lbs.

Rev. McWilliams interested himself in selecting and
making the arrangements for shipment of this man's effects
from New Westminster. No one from this office supervised
the shipments.

Yours truly,

C. W. Fisher
C. W. Fisher,
TRANSPORTATION.

C.W.F/af

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March 4th, 1946.

Mr. Sokichi MURAKAMI,
Registration No. 08207,
2827 Messon Boulevard,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Sir:

We thank you for your letter of the 25th ultimo, and note your remarks re the effects left by your wife in Queensboro, New Westminster, B. C.

It may interest you to know that there is a credit in her account in the amount of \$42.24. This amount represents certain goods recovered from 229 Ewen Avenue and at this place there were effects belonging to several persons. We have done our best to identify them but to reduce the possibility of any mistakes we enclose a list of the goods taken out and sold which formed the above credit.

Will you ask your wife to advise us please whether any of these goods do not belong to her.

Yours truly,

W. J. Iverson,
Protection Dept.

WJI:DP
Encl.

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February 12th, 1946.

REGISTERED:

Mr. Sokichi MURAKAMI,
Registration No. 08207,
2827 Henson Street,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Sir:

We have for acknowledgment your letter of January 28th, 1946, and in response to your request we enclose herewith our cheque in the amount of \$489.36, which closes your account.

Your file has been reviewed and the following has been noted: On May 9th, 1942 you declared that you had no real property or personal property but in December 1942 it was revealed that you had left a shoe repairing outfit in care of Reverend W. R. McWilliams.

On November 26th, 1945 you confirmed your request through Mr. McWilliams that this outfit be sold by the Custodian. Accordingly, it was offered for sale by tender and the highest offer was accepted. The sum of \$500.00 was realized, against which the sums of \$9.00 for cartage from Mr. McWilliams house, \$5.00 for valuating the outfit and \$6.67 for advertising leaving a net balance of \$479.33.

The sum of \$10.03 was paid over by the Bank of Montreal, Main & Hastings Streets Branch and was credited to your account. This represented a balance in your account with them which remained unoperative. This amount is included in the above cheque.

Your Prudential Life Insurance Company Policies #11434500 and #6169448 remained in your possession.

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

Yours truly,

W. J. Iverson,
Protection Dept.

WJI:DP
Encl. 2

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28th December, 1945.

Mr. G.W. Anderson,
Granthams Landing, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Parcel "D"
Shoe Makers Machinery

Your tender to purchase the above Shoe Makers machinery for the sum of \$500.00 was received and considered.

This is to advise you that we are prepared to recommend the acceptance of your offer.

Your deposit cheque of \$50.00 is acknowledged and we are enclosing herein our official receipt for this amount. Will you please forward cheque for the balance, namely \$450.00 and let us know what arrangements you wish to make for delivery of this machinery.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMH

encl.

Donadale Ave
North Vancouver B.C.

Dec 20/45

The Custodian
408 Royal Bank Bldg.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd.	DEC 21 1945
File No.	7747
Ans.	28/12/45 (RM)
Referred	M. Shears

Dear Sir

I would like to tender a
bid on the shoe repairing equipment stored
at 604 Cordova St Vancouver.

My bid would be Two Hundred and
Fifty Dollars \$250.00 of which I am enclosing
a cheque for 10% or \$25.00.

Yours Truly,

J.R. Thompson

Dec.17th 1945

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

REC'D	DEC 27 1945
FILE NO.	7747
DATE	27/12/45
REFERRED	Mr. Shears

D

Dear Sir:-

I herein submit tender for Shoe Repair Equipment, known on your books and in advertisement of same as Parcel D. Having personally examined the equipment I am of the opinion that everything is in such poor condition, the only thing that could be done with same, is to dispose of most of it as second hand repair parts. In the belief I am right, my offer is One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150) for parcel D for which I enclose cheque for Fifteen dollars being 10% of said sum.

Yours truly

H. Polkey

3527 West 11th Ave.

Vancouver, B.C.

H. Polkey

Phone no. Bay 6054Y

New Westminster
Dec. 12 1945

D

The Custodian

I would like to make a bid of three hundred
Dollars \$300.00 on the "Parcel D" shoemakers
machinery. Considering same to be a fair
and reasonable bid.

Signed
G. F. Elgie

3850 Boundary Road
New Westminster

P.S. I need this outfit to start up in
● business

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Date	25/12/45
By	W. Elgie

THE HOUSE OF LANGDON

ESTABLISHED 1888

CABLES AND TELEGRAMS
"WALKINPHAST" VANCOUVER

W. G. LANGDON

IMPORT AND EXPORT
SHOE LEATHERS AND SPORTING GOODS

WAREHOUSE
321 WATER STREET
MARINE 0745

OFFICE
HASTINGS 0681 R

BANKERS:
BANK OF MONTREAL
HASTINGS AND HONOR ST.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

W.G.L. in the 90's



5 miles
per hour
easy

2464 CAMBRIDGE STREET
VANCOUVER, B. C.
CANADA

Dec. 14-45.

Rec'd	DEC 27 1945
File No.	7747
Date	28/12/45
Referred	Mr. Shears

The Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
C I T Y.

Dear Sir:

I beg to submit my tender for the parcel "D" as advertised "shoemakers' machinery, sewing machine, motor, shafting, buffers and polishers, etc," at \$200.00 for the lot and enclose herewith my certified cheque for \$20.00 on account of same.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours truly,

W. G. Langdon

WGL/EH.



Denby Bros. & Company Limited

Importers and Jobbers of LEATHER, SHOE FINDINGS, SHOE MACHINERY AND SHOE STORE SUPPLIES

163 PENDER STREET WEST
VANCOUVER, B.C.

BRANCHES AT
VICTORIA & PRINCE RUPERT

December 12, 1945.

"Tender"

The Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to submit our tender
on Parcel "D" - Shoemakers' Machinery, etc.,
of \$300.00.

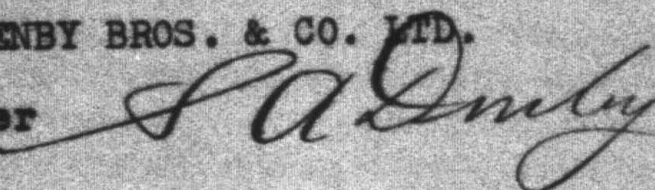
Enclosed please find our certified
cheque for \$30.00.

Thanking you, we are,

Yours truly,

DENBY BROS. & CO. LTD.

Per



Rec'd	DEC 27 1945
File No.	7747
Ans.	28/12/45
Replied	N. Stead

SAD:ED