Name of Claimant OGA, Makitaro Case 723

Custodian File 5550

REAL PROPERTY

Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			Total
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices: % of Total	Amount	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Total	Amount	
		1300.	.00 12.50								500.00 12.50

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	

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	
			100.00 325.00	297.50	95.05	202.45

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS

Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	
226.00	39.50	11.85	46%	159.75	73.48	20.54	2.46	87.79

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION 802.74

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A. G. VIRTUE, Esq., appearing for the Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq., Secretary.

D. F. CHRISTIAN, Esq., Official Reporter.

THE COMMISSIONER: In respect of which property do you claim?

MR. VIRTUE: It is parcel 1, which is a dwelling house, and--

THE COMMISSIONER: Is that the dwelling house he says is

worth $1921?

MR. VIRTUE: That's right.

THE COMMISSIONER: And sold for?

MR. VIRTUE: $1300. Now, there is no assessment on improvements, because the house was built in 1941, a brand new house.

THE COMMISSIONER: Then we had better get our particulars. This is a dwelling house at Steveston?

MR. VIRTUE: Yes. I take it it is in Steveston. It is in the municipality of Richmond, which I judge is--he gives the post office as Steveston.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: This is in Steveston townsite at 6th and Broadway.

THE COMMISSIONER: Built in 1941.

MR. VIRTUE: He paid for the lot in 1939 $150.

THE COMMISSIONER: And the building?

MR. VIRTUE: It is 32 by 30, and he gives the actual cost of materials and labour.

THE COMMISSIONER: This was the $1921?

MR. VIRTUE: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: What was the land assessed at?

MR. VIRTUE: The land alone was assessed at $234.

THE COMMISSIONER: And he got it for $150?

MR. VIRTUE: Yes. There is a sketch among the exhibits here.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: I have a 1942 assessment of that property, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: What is it assessed at?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: Improvements, $1000; land, $334.

THE COMMISSIONER: The building, I would judge from the photograph, is not finished.

MR. VIRTUE: Well, according to Mr. Colthard's report--

THE COMMISSIONER: Tar paper exterior. Here is the photograph here.

MR. VIRTUE: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: There are two photographs.

MR. VIRTUE: Mr. Colthard thinks it is a little older than it was. He thought approximately six years old, but as a matter of fact it was younger than that. As a matter of fact, he values the two lots at $225, but he values the house quite low. It looks to me as though this is a case where the property suffered by reason of the condition that Mr. Shears described--the bottom had been knocked out of things.

THE COMMISSIONER: Here is Mr. Colthard's description of it: "It is on a full cement . . . . . or out." He values it at $950.

MR. VIRTUE: Apparently this man had just built it before he was evacuated and hadn't completed the exterior and so on.

THE COMMISSIONER: His total cost shows $2071. Anything further, Mr. Virtue?

MR. VIRTUE: I don't think I can add anything, my lord. As I say, I think it suffered from the general condition there. I might say the dwelling was insured for $2000.

THE COMMISSIONER: By the claimant?

MR. VIRTUE: Yes; from December 15, 1941, for three years.

THE COMMISSIONER: What do you think of it, Mr. Braidwood?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: I draw your lordship's attention to the Colthard and Sutherland appraisal and the other

information that we received only one offer of $1300, which offer was duly accepted. I might say, my lord, that we waited for two months after the offer was received before we approved of it, and, receiving no further offers, we approved.

THE COMMISSIONER: When was it received?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: The 27th April, 1944, my lord, and it was sold the 13th June, 1944. It was actually about one month and two or three weeks. I think the pictures speak for themselves. I call your lordship's attention to those.

THE COMMISSIONER: But the fact remains this house had only just been finished and we have got bills for materials for $1050.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: I think it should be pointed out that this building was certainly not in a completed stage, and therefore there is the question as to how much a purchaser has to make up, plus the fact that at that time, as your lordship is, I think, entitled to take notice, both material and labour to complete the building for a new purchaser would be very difficult.

MR. VIRTUE: Of course, that cuts both ways, because remember that a house for which the material cost $1921 in 1941 would cost considerably more in 1944; probably three or four times more for labour and material.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: That is all I have to say, my lord.

MR. VIRTUE: It isn't very often we have a criterion. Here we have the actual cost a few months before the man was evacuated, and we have the photograph to prove he just built the house.

THE COMMISSIONER: In the circumstances I feel that fair market value was not realized in this instance, and I will recommend a payment of $500 over and above what was received. What is your over-all?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: He gets $142.50 additional as it stands.

THE COMMISSIONER: I will make the $500 recommendation in lieu, then.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: That would be a total of $1300 plus the $500 you are now giving, my lord?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: $1800 in all?

THE COMMISSIONER: Wait a moment. Yes, that's right. He will get $500 in lieu of the over-all recommendation, which equals $1800. Was there any commission charged in this instance?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: No, sir; just the usual $12.50 charge.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well, I think it is fair enough to give him the charges the same as everybody else got.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: An extra $12.50?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. VIRTUE: There was a claim here for a small leasehold, but it isn't very large and I think possibly I had better just abandon that. It was a $400 claim.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: While on this, my lord, my friend made some suggestions with regard to chattels with which I am not prepared to agree in total, and perhaps it might be as well to have your lordship settle those.

MR. VIRTUE: What have you in mind?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: My friend brought up the matter of nets.

If your lordship would examine the net type of award, it is divided in the award sheet into two, as your lordship will see, the theory being that the top figure represents claimed nets and the figure to the right represents the amount for which those were sold. The second figure in the list will represent the amount of nets lost or not accounted for--theft or something of that nature. It is the second figure which is most interesting to the claimamt, because the percentage award which will eventually be worked out on nets will be applied to the second figure, if your lordship follows what I mean.

THE COMMISSION: I don't know that I do.

(Dissussion off Record)

MR. BRAIDWOOD: My learned friend might make some representations to your lordship.

THE COMMISSIONER: Have you any material to show whether or not there were nets that were lost?

MR. VIRTUE: We haven't asked for that in every case by any means, but in this particular case what happened is that the man had put a moderate value on his nets in his claim. I would just like to run over this with you. A net which cost $375 and was used one season he only valued at $150. This is on page 7 of the exhibit. Another net which cost $375 and which he used two seasons he valued at $25. Another net he paid $410 for and used two seasons he valued at only $25. The fourth net he had only used one season for which he paid $410 he valued at $75. A

fifth net he paid $380 for and used one season he only valued at $150; and the sixth net he used two seasons, which cost $380, he valued at $100. That meant that his total nets which cost him about $2200 he only valued at $425. Now, what we say is when the Custodian said he sold those nets for $95, we say the fact is he didn't sell our nets at all, that somebody twisted some of the cards and so on and that what was sold was not our nets at all, that he didn't offer our nets at $95. And all we will get, anyway, even if in the second column we put $330--supposing we get 50% of that, we would get $165, and we would get $95 in the first instance, and we would only get $260 all told for our nets, which certainly isn't what those nets were north.

THE COMMISSIONER: I am impressed by the fact that the man appears to have been fair in his valuations of used nets.

(Discussion off Record)

MR. VIRTUE: We all remember what happened with regard to nets. There was a most unholy--

THE COMMISSIONER: There was a great deal of confusion.

MR. VIRTUE: People helping themselves to nets and changing tags; and consequently if a man moderately values his nets in the first place and then only gets 50% of that he is taking a beating, anyway.

THE COMMISSIONER: You are quite right. I think I will have to lift that price to $325 and calculate the over-all 60% or 65%, whatever it is, on the $325.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: Then Mr. Virtue and I will correct our form

to read $325, is that correct?

MR. VIRTUE: Yes.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: Carrying on with this, my lord, my friend has now made representations to me that the goods sold at auction as against the goods claimed, that taking that percentage in this way doesn't give a proper reflection for the percentage to be calculated on the lost goods, and I point out that this document shows $226 worth of goods claimed were sold for $39.50, giving a percentage of 17.47, and my friend is now asking that that percentage be raised because it doesn't adequately reflect the true picture because of the small number of sales and the mixed nature of sales. Your lordship has considered those in connection with Mr. McMaster's claims in some cases and made some recommendation.

MR. VIRTUE: All I am asking is that the general percentage apply.

THE COMMISSIONER: What is that?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: About 34%

THE COMMISSIONER: In relation to this claim does that appear to be fair. You have studied it more fully than I will have an opportunity to do.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: I have, and it is on the border line. I think, with deference to the claimant, that probably it wouldn't be too bad. That is without prejudice to any other claims that might arise. We did sell a mixed group in the general category as opposed to specific category--

THE COMMISSIONER: There seems to have been a great deal of confusion in the handling of this man's goods, and in the circumstances I would allow the general average, which I am told is 34%, is that correct?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: That hasn't been worked out, but that is about what it will be.

The Crown claims that $142 worth of goods were abandoned and these should be added back into the lost column. The Crown takes the position that such is not the case, that these goods were abandoned and they appear on the analysis sheet. There are three items: one heater, 100 ft of fir flooring, and one rowboat. I might say I am prepared---

(Discussion off Record)

MR. VIRTUE: I thought my friend and I had agreed on this, and I think I will have to go back and reopen this question of the value of the leasehold if my friend is going to be too tough with me on these few chattels.

THE COMMISSIONER: I think he has been fairly generous with you.

MR. VIRTUE: Well, it is a small amount. What are you suggesting?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: $71 back

(Discussion off Record)

THE COMMISSIONER: Treat $71 worth as abandoned and $71 worth as lost.

MR. VIRTUE: $88.75 lost, I think.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: Plus $71.

MR. VIRTUE: Not according to that column.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: We have already given you $88.75, and I am offering you another $71.

MR. VIRTUE: $159.75.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: That's right.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate report of the said proceedings.

Deputy Official Stenographer

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MISS LILLIE THOMAS,	Secretary.
MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD,	Official Interpreter.
S. R. HOWARD, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 723, Makitaro Oga.

MAKITARO OGA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

Q Mr. Oga, I am showing you a document entitled "summary of evidence in support of claim". You are familiar with the contents of this document?

A Yes.

Q This was prepared under your direction and from material and information supplied by you?

A Yes.

Q Is that your signature at the end of the document?

A Yes.

Q You believe it to be true to the best of your knowledge, information and belief?

A Yes.

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

(SUMMARY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. RUSSELL: I just point out, your Honour, that in the proof of claim a claim for farm equipment was made and this has been now abandoned. In addition, the claim for the fishing boat has been abandoned. It was sold by the Japanese Fishing Disposal Committee. In the proof of claim also there was an item which he listed as "Annual output of products of farm" which is now being consolidated in his claim for real property.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, I see.

MR. RICE: There was another item perhaps it would be

well to be straight on, if my learned friend will permit me to interrupt. In the claim, land is valued at $150.00 and buildings $2071.00, and in the summary of evidence submitted I take it the total claim is $2071.00, less, of course, moneys refeived from the Custodian.

MR. RUSSELL: Well, there are two parcels of land in this property, real property.

MR. RICE: Yes. That is Parcel 1.

MR. RUSSELL: Yes, that is Parcel 1, and then thereis Parcel 2.

MR. RICE: That is perhaps how the change is made. Parcel 2, you are only claiming on that $150.00?

MR. RUSSELL: No, on parcel 2 the claim is $412.83. Here is the summary here (indicating). We are claiming a net of $771.00 on Parcel 1 and $412.83 on Parcel 2.

MR. RICE: After allowing for credits, the total claim is $1183.83?

MR. RUSSELL: Yes, that is right.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well, then you are claiming some personal property which is not included in your proof of claim, are you? You see, on my list here, the only claim mentioned is $930.32 for real property and here at the back, in additionto the two parcels of land, you have got nets $329.95, and you have got a lot of personal property.

MR. RICE: That was in the claim, $456.75.

MR. RUSSELL: That is the amount that the claimant was putting in, There is a differentiation being made

between those nets and other property.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: On my list here (indicating), there was only a claim for real property. All right, that is fine, go ahead.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: I am showing you a sketch of a house, showing the front view of a house; do you recognize that sketch? A: I wasn't able to take pictures of the house so I made a sketch. This is a sketch of my house.

Q You made the sketch yourself?

MR. RICE: I have two photographs, if you care to use them instead of the sketch.

A Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He hasn't answered his question yet. You wanted to know if that was his house.

MR. RUSSELL: He did say it was his house.

Q Is this your house (indicating)?A: Yes.

Q And is this the house that you are claiming for in your summary of evidence?

A Yes.

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

(SKETCH MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is this Parcel 1 or Parcel 2?

MR. RUSSELL: That will be Parcel 1, sir. If my learned friend doesn't mind, I will put the photographs in.

Q Are those photos of that same house?

A Yes.

Q Is that approximately the condition you left it when you were evacuated? A: It is about

the same condition, but there was no tar paper on the sides of the house when I left. I just put tar paper on the top part of the house to prevent rain coming in. The person who leased the place must have done that himself.

MR. RUSSELL: I see. I will put these two photographs in as one exhibit.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: They are both of the same house?

MR. RUSSELL: Yes, both of the same house.

MR. RICE: One is a close-up and the other is some distance away.

(PHOTOGRAPHS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. RUSSELL: Q: I am showing you two bills or accounts from the River Fish Company, Limited, both dated March 14th, 1942. One is for $1050.19 and the other for $471.11. Do you recognize those accounts?

A Yes.

Q And then you had a discount, or something, did you? What is this in Japanese here?

A That would be interest.

Q Interest? A: Yes.

Q What was this lumber worth $1042.92 purchased for?

A It was to build my house.

Q Did you use all the lumber in the house?

A As a matter of fact, it wasn't quite sufficient. I had to purchase some additional lumber after buying this amount.

Q Was there anything else besides lumber included in this? A: I believe there was a window frame included in this, but

otherwise it was all for lumber.

Q And all these materials for which this account of $1042.92 is made was for use in your house?

A Yes.

(ACCOUNTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4.)

MR. RUSSELL: I wonder if my learned friend will let me have a letter dated December 10th, 1942, which was written by this man.

MR. RICE: A letter with list attached, or schedule attached, inventory, I should say, attached.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: I am showing you a letter dated December 10th, 1942 (indicating); is that your signature?

A Yes.

Q And this doesn't appear to be your writing. Who wrote that letter for you? A: It is written by my boy.

Q And there is a list attached to this also dated December 10th, 1942, showing an inventory of chattels left on the property. Is that your list?

A Yes.

Q And it is signed by you here (indicating)?

A Yes.

Q And these articles are the articles for which you are claiming now, is that right?

A Yes.

Q I will just read the letter, if you wish, sir.

A This is an inventory of all the chattels that were in my house, but these four beds and springs, four mattresses and one bureau belonged to someone else, and I was just keeping them for him.

Q And you aren't making any claim for those?

A No, I am not claiming for those.

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

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

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

I am submitting that the chattels were sold for their fair market value. I am submitting if there are any of the claimant's goods for which the Custodian is responsible in any way, or may in any way be held responsible, the claim made to the same is exorbitant.

I tender as an exhibit the analysis of personal property claim.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. RICE: And an assessment notice for the year 1942 respecting Lots 10 and 11, in Block 18, showing the land to be assessed at $334.00 and improvements $1000.00.

(ASSESSMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

MR. RICE: And a valuation or an appraisal made on the property by Coulthard, Sutherland & Company, Limited, dated April 21st, 1944, where the house is valued at $950.00, Lot 10, corner lot, $125.00, Lot 11, $100.00, a total of $1175.00.

(APPRAISAL MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. RICE: A real property summary and personal property summary. Perhaps those two can go in together as one exhibit.

(SUMMARIES MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 9).

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q I show you a J.P. form dated the 20th of April, 1942 (indicating); does that bear your signature?

A Yes.

Q That is your signature? A: Yes.

MR. RICE: I tender this document, your Honour, the claimant's J.P. form.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 10).

MR. RICE: I show you a claim form apparently completed by you on the 14th of November, 1947 (indicating); does that document bear your signature?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: I tender his claim form, your Honour, as an exhibit.

(CLAIM FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 11).

MR. RICE: Q: You owned outright, did you, Lots 10 and 11 in Block 18? A: Yes.

Q But you never owned Lots 8 and 9?

A We were leasing that from someone.

Q Were you leasing it or were you a trustee along with others holding that property? Stand up; you can stand, can't you, instead of leaning against that partition.

A It was a sort of Co-op and those that wanted to cultivate or farm the place, they could do so on those two lots.

Q Well, did the CoOop own the lots?

A Yes, I suppose it was.

Q Well, how many were inthe Co-op besides yourself?

A I don't know exactly how many there were, but there

were 240 shares out at $50.00 a share.

Q And how many shares did you own? A: Five.

Q Five shares? A: Yes.

Q Well, then, you didn't have any interest in the land at all? A: Well, I just owned the shares and was using the land.

Q You owned the shares and by virtue of the fact that you owned five shares you had the right to use these two lots, 8 and 9, described as the second parcel in your claim here, in your revised claim? A: Yes.

Q Why was it you didn't claim for those shares in the original claim that you filed?

A I didn't think it was any use in claiming for that.

Q And today you do. Has the value gone up in the last eight months? A: I don't know about that.

Q When you were evacuated you turned the key of your house over to Joseph Herpe?

A No, I handed them to Mr. King of the Custodian's office.

Q Mr. King ran a real estate business in Steveston, did he not? A real estate and insurance business?

A Yes, he seemed to have various interests.

Q Well, he had a place of business in Steveston, did he not? A: I don't think he had an office there. He was working at the Imperial Cannery as a bookkeeper.

Q Well, it is strange that he has a letterhead describing himself as Thomas C. King, real estate

and insurance. Thomas C. King is the man that you mean, isn't it? His letterhead reads, "Real Estate and Insurance, Commissioner for taking affidavits, 78 Georgia Street, Steveston, B.C." Would that be the man that you refer to?

A May I have that please. I think that is the same; I don't know of any other.

Q Well, in a letter written by Mr. King to the Custodian, the Assistant Manager of the Custodian's office, Mr. Shears, under date of September 13th, 1942, he says, in part,

> "The key of this house is in the hands of one Joseph Herpe who was asked by Oga to look after the place as he lives close by and is a friend of his."

Read that part there to him that is underlined.

A Yes, I remember Mr. Herpe.

Q You remember Mr. Herpe. Is that statement made by Mr. King correct? A: Mr. King may have got the keys from Herpe, but I don't remember exactly whether I handed it to Mr. Herpe or not, because I left in a hurry.

Q I see.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Did he leave the key with that man in the first instance?

MR. RICE: Well, the letter is not clear, I will say that in fairness to the claimant. It says that the key is in the hands of Joseph Herpe who was asked by Oga to look after the place.

Q Did you ask Herpe to look after the place?

A He often used to pass our house and I may have asked him to look after our place, but I never asked him to watch the place or take custody of it or anything like that.

Q He was a neighbour of yours, Herpe?

A Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q: Did you ever give the key to him?

A I left the house about four in the morning and I am not quite clear.

Q Well, do you mean that you do not know to whom you gave the key then? A: No, I actually left the key in Mr. King's custody, but what happened to the keys afterwards, I don't know.

Q Well, did you see Mr. King at four o'clock in the morning? A: At four o'clock in the morning Mr. Herpe came over and I personally handed the keys to him and after that he may have handed them to Mr. King. I don't know about that.

MR. RICE: Q: Your ostensible occupation was that of a fisherman? A: Yes, my chief occupation was fishing, and in the meantime I used to do a little farming.

Q You didn't pay much attentionto farming, did you?

A No.

Q As a matter of fact, you had let the raspberries on the lot be neglected? You neglected to bother with them, did you not?

A They were just kept for our own use, not as a business.

Q So that you didn't bother with them. Did you ever

rent your property? A: No.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: You mean the house, I suppose.

MR. RICE: Yes, the house as it existed there.

Q You never rented it yourself?

A No, I never rented it myself. The Custodian may have rented it after I left it. Personally I never rented it.

Q You have no knowledge of that. Well, where did you get your view that the place would rent, a half-completed house would rent for $420.00 a year? A: That is an estimate I made for the house had it been finished.

Q Oh, had it been finished. In your J.P. form you only declared five nets and now you are claiming six. I guess there is no use of pursuing that question because six were sold by the Custodian.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Six were sold?

MR. RICE: Yes, six were sold.

Q You claim $75.00 for a kitchen stove that you paid $75.00 for in 1936, seven years before you were evacuated?

A When I bought that stove I bought it off a friend who was returning to Japan and he sold it to me at far less than he had paid for it.

Q Then you bought it secondhand?

A Yes.

Q In 1936. Have you any idea how old that stove was? How long had he owned it?

A It is quite new.

Q But in seven years of being used by you it hadn't

depreciated a five cent piece in value?

A Well, I bought it quite cheaply and, therefore, I think that is a fair value. In any case, I never used it in the summer; it was only used in the cold weather.

Q Well, you bought two electric irons, one in 1925 and the other one in 1935, for $15.00 and after using them for, one for seventeen years and the other for seven years, you still say they are worth $15.00? A: One of them, the one bought in 1935, had never been used.

Q Do you mean to say that you had an electric iron in your house for seven years and never used it?

A Well, it had been used but very little.

Q Well, what about the one that was bought in the year 1925, had that been used at all?

A Oh, we had been using that all along.

Q And that hadn't depreciated in value after being used for seventeen years? A: I have only put about five dollars of a value on the old one, and $15.00 for the two.

Q Well, you can go out and buy two electric irons today for $7.50, can't you, apiece?

A I am afraid I don't know, as I have no knowledge what it is.

Q And you bought a set of encyclopedia in 1940 for $54.50 and you say when you were evacuated two years later they were still worth, you say, $54.50. I suppose you hadn't used that very much?

A It was quite new.

Q And the case of chinaware that you purchased in 1922 for $85.00, after being used for twenty years you still say it is worth $85.00?

A They weren't all bought in 1922.

Q That is what your claim says, they were bought in 1922.

MR. RUSSELL: If you will read along under the "Remarks" column.

MR. RICE: Oh, yes, in the "Remarks" column it says "Bought from 1922."

A Yes, bought over a period of several years.

Q Well, how do you know that it cost you $85.00? Have you any record of that, or are you just guessing at these figures you have used here?

A No, I am afraid I have no record of it.

Q Any record whatever of this $85.00 that you swore to God it cost you, or are you just guessing with regard to it? I am referring to the case of chinaware.

A Yes, just my estimate.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Any questions, Mr. Russell?

MR. RUSSELL: Yes, one or two.

RE DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

Q In connection with Parcel 1, Mr. Oga, or, pardon me, Parcel 2, the land that you leased, did you lease this land from the Co-op or did you lease the land from Mr. Hikida?

A It was in Mr. Hikida's name. There were four people in the little group and he represented the group.

Q Well, were you one of the four people in that group? A: There were just four of us left. The rest of that group either died or returned to Japan. Just four of us.

Q How many shares did Mr. Hikida have?

A I am not quite certain, but I think it was about 20.

Q Well, is this little group of four people known as the Nosan Kaisha? I don't know whether I am pronouncing it correctly?

A Could I have that question again, please?

BY THE REPORTER: "Well, is this little group of four people known as the Nosan Kaisha? I don't know whether I am pronouncing it correctly."

A No, this is the name of the Co-op as a whole. The title is in the names of these four people.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That is, the title to the four acres?

A No, the four people hold the title to it.

Q The title to the four acres is in the name of Hikida? You see, four acres is mentioned here under Parcel 2, and I take it that that is the land that is leased by these four people from Hikida. Now, is that correct?

A Yes, Hikida represents the four people.

Q And it is four acres that they had all together?

A That is my share.

Q Oh, that is his share? A: Yes.

Q All right.

MR. RICE: Q: How many acres are there altogether in this Co-op that you referred to?

A Originally there were forty-seven and a half acres, and thereafter selling lots here and there by the time I was evacuated there must have been about thirty left.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: This chinaware that you were claiming for, what sort of chinaware was it?

A Mostly Japanese chinaware.

Q Do you know if it is available in Canada?

A There are several items which cannot be replaced in Canada.

Q Was it dishes, or was it figures, or was it a combination of all? A; There were dishes and Japanese tea sets, which was quite expensive to buy, and which cannot be bought here in Canada now, and several articles of that nature.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q: How much did you pay a year rent for the four acres mentioned in Parcel 2?

A $35.00 an acre.

Q $35.00 an acre? A: Yes.

Q And who fixed the values of this bookcase, the stove, the heater, the tables, and all these other things on page 8 of Exhibit 1? Who fixed those values? A: I did.

Q You did? A: Yes.

Q That is all, thanks.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

"S.R.HOWARD" Official Reporter.

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

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

55-5-0 / ACKNOWLEDGED Ox. Case No. 723.

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Proof of Claim

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

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

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

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1. Name of Claimant in full: Makitaro Oga

   Registration No. 04919

2. Claimant's address at the time of his evacuation from the protected area: Steveston, B.C.

3. Claimant's present address: Diamond City, Alberta.

4. Claim relating to real property: Corner 6th Avenue & Broadway, Steveston, B.C.

   (a) Street address of real property:

   (b) Legal description of property:

   Lots (10) and (11) Block (18) of Section (3) Block (3) North Range (7) West Map (249) in the District of New Westminster.

   Farm Property
   Lot 8-9 Section 3/4 Block North 3 Range West 7.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

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

Residence

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

Title #135783E

Farm Property (Company land)

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

(I) Land— $150.00 (land of residence)

(II) Buildings— $2071.00 (House and Barn)

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

$2221.00

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

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

Farm Equipment on "said" farm.

Remaining property on "said" residence.

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

Left in hands of Custodian.

(d)

Fishing Net Left at Gulf of Georgia Cannery No. 1 Net Warehouse

	SIZE	DEPTH	PLY	LENGTH
#40	7	45	6	150 Fathom
#40	7	45	6	40 "
#50	6	50	5	50 "
#40	5	50	4	100 "
#40	5	50	4	50 "
#40	5	55	4	200 "

All with cork and lead line.---------$425.00

FARM PROPERTY

Lot 8-9 Section 3/4 Block North 3 Range West 7

Farm equipment left at above address----$ 57.25

ANNUAL OUTPUT OF PRODUCTS OF FARM

(a)	Loganberries	¼ acre	$ 75.00
(b)	Strawberries	½ acre	$200.00
		Complete total	$275.00

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

Custodian

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

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS

(a)	1 Bookcase	$10.00
(b)	1 Kitchen stove	$75.00
(c)	1 Heater	$15.00
(d)	3 Tables	$15.00
(e)	8 Chairs	$ 8.00
(f)	1 Encyclopedia set	$54.50
(g)	1000' Fir flooring	$52.00
(h)	1 Platform scale	$50.00
(i)	1 Rowboat	$15.00
(j)	1 Crated Bicycle	$40.00
(k)	2 Electric iron	$15.00
(l)	2 Table lamp	$ 5.00
(m)	1 Case Chinaware	$85.00
(n)	1 Initialed clock	$11.50
(o)	100 lbs. Nails	$ 5.75
		$456.75

FISHING GEARS

Gill net Boat Length 32 ft. Beam 7 ft. 8 Horsepower (Easthope)--$800.00

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

$2014.00 1,039.60

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

7. An Interpreter will ..... be required.

DATED this 14th day of ~~October~~ Nov., A.D. 1947.

S. Kusumoto
Witness to Signature of Claimant.

Makitaro Oga.
Signature of Claimant.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Makitaro Oga
(Full Name of Claimant)

of Diamond City, Alta. Beetworker
(Present Address) *(Occupation)*

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.

2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.

3. The above Claim is true and correct.

4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:
Sale of House--$1278.51. Proceeds from Aug.4/44 Auction Sale ----$35.25. Proceeds from Oct. 19/44 Auction Sale---$11.95 Sale of Fishing Gear----$95.05. Sale of Fishing Boat--$600.00 Sale of Barn---$12.17. House Rent----$252.00

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

DECLARED at Picture Butte
in the Province of Alberta,
this 14th day of November
A.D. 1947.

Makitaro Oga.

Roscoe D. Webb
A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

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Proof of Claim

VIRTUE & RUSSELL
Barristers & Solicitors,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Claim No. 85

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM

The Following are Particulars of the Claim:

1. Claimant's Name In Full: Makitaro Oga

EXHIBIT No. 723-1
DATE Sept 28./48
FILED BY W. A. Russell

2. Registration Number: 04919

3. Present Address: Diamond City, Alberta.

4. Address Prior To Evacuation: Steveston, B. C.

Parcel I

5. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Parcel 1.

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

Lots Ten (10) and Eleven (11) Block Eighteen (18) of Section Three (3) Block Three (3) North Range Seven (7) West Map Two Hundred and Forty-nine (249) in the District of New Westminster. Municipality of Richmond.

(a) Nearest Post Office adjacent to land. Steveston, B. C.

(b) Number of acres: 50' x 120'

(c) When purchased: 1939

(d) Condition when purchased: (Give improvements and values in detail as of date of purchase)

Grass land

No buildings

(e) Purchase Price ..... $ 150.00

6. IMPROVEMENTS:

(a)	Clearing.....acres at $.....per acre	$	
(b)	Fencing	$	
(c)	Tillage	$	
(d)	Drainage	$	
(e)	Weed Eradication	$	
(f)	Planting	$	
(g)		$	
(h)		$	
	Total	$	$ 150.00
	Carried Forward	$	$

Parcel 1

Brought forward $ 150.00

(i) Buildings:

ITEM	SIZE	YEAR BUILT	MATERIAL COST	LABOR COST	COST (TOTAL)
			$	$	$
Dwelling house	32 x 30	1941	1579.00	342.00	1921.00

Total Cost of Buildings $1921.00 $1921.00

Total Cost of Land and All Improvements ..... $ 2071.00

Fair Market Value ..... $ 2071.00

Sold by Custodian for ..... $ 1300.00

Loss Claimed on Parcel 1 ..... $ 771.00

8. Assessment for 1942:

Land ..... $ 234.00

Improvements .... $ _____

Total ..... $ 234.00

NOTE Assessment figures given were made before dwelling built.

9. Appraisal or Valuation (by Custodian):

Lands	$ 225.00
Improvements	$ 950.00
Total	$ 1175.00

10. Rental Value per Year: $ 420.00

11. Fire Insurance on Buildings:

(List amount on each building):

on dwelling	$ 2000.00	with London & Lancashire
	$	
	$	
	$	

12. Documents in Support:

(a) Photographs: Sketch of house

(b) Deeds Certificate of Title # 135783 E

(c) Agreements to Purchase

(d) Leases

(e) Insurance Policies London & Lancashire 3400540

(f) Correspondence Statement of Sale price of property from Custodian.

(g) 1941 Assessment notice

(h) Built from River. Fish Co. for lumber used in dwelling.

5. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Parcel 1.

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

Lots Eight (8) and Nine (9) Section ¾ BlockThree (3) North Range Seven (7) West
NOTE:

This land leased from Y Hikida(who held most shares in Steveston No-Son Karsha) Verbal lease and Claimant was share holder in co-operation.

(a) Nearest Post Office adjacent to land. Steveston B. C.

(b) Number of acres: 4 acres

(c) When ~~purchased~~ leased: 1928 for an indefinite period with option to purchase.

(d) Condition when purchased: (Give improvements and values in detail as of date of purchase)

Ready for farming

No buildings

(e) ~~Purchase Price~~ Rental per year ..... $160.00 ..... $ 160.00

6. IMPROVEMENTS:

(a)	Clearing.....acres at $.....per acre		$	
(b)	Fencing		$	
(c)	Tillage		$	
(d)	Drainage		$	
(e)	Weed Eradication		$	
(f)	Planting ½ ac. loganberries	75.00	$	275.00
	⅓ ac. strawberries	200.00		
		275.00		
(g)			$	
(h)			$	
	Total		$ 275.00	$275.00
	Carried Forward		$	$275.00

Brought forward $ 275.00

(i) Buildings:

ITEM	SIZE	YEAR BUILT	MATERIAL COST	LABOR COST	COST (TOTAL)
			$	$	$
Barn	16 x 40	1936	150.00		150.00

Total Cost of Buildings 150.00 150.00

Total Cost of Land and All Improvements ..... $ 425.00

Valve of leasehold ~~Fair Market Value~~ (improvements, buildings etc.) $ 425.00

Sold by Custodian for ..... $ 12.17

Loss Claimed on Parcel 1 ..... $ 412.83

8. Assessment for 1942:

Land ..... $

Improvements .... $

Total ..... $

Parcel 2:- (Add additional sheets if necessary)

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

13. SUMMARY OF LOSSES ON REAL PROPERTY:

Parcel 1	$	771.00
Parcel 2	$	412.83
Parcel 3	$	
Parcel 4	$	
TOTAL:	$	1183.83

NETS, CORK LINES & LEAD LINES

TYPE	PLY	SIZE	MESH	FATHOMS	SEASONS USED	PRICE NEW	ESTIMATED VALUE	REMARKS
Nets								
Cohoe net	6	7/40	45	150	1	3.75	$ 150.00	
Cohoe net	6	7/40	45	40	2	3.75	25.00	Cork & Lead
Sockeye net	5	6/50	50	50	2	4.10	25.00	Lines all
Sockeye net	4	5 7/8	50	100	1	4.10	75.00	Attached to
Sockeye net	4	5 7/8	50	50	1	3.80	50.00	These Nets
Sockeye net	4	5 3/8	55	200	2	3.80	100.00	
Cork Lines								
Lead Lines								

Total Value	$425.00
Sold by Custodian for	95.05
Claim	$ 329.95

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

ITEM	YEAR PURCHASED	PRICE PAID	VALUE	REMARKS
1 Book/Case	1941	$ 13.75	$ 10.00	
1 Kitchen stove	1936	75.00	75.00	
1 Heater	1933	25.00	15.00	
3 Tables	1941	20.00	15.00	1 table bought in 1941. No definite date for other two.
8 Chairs		12.00	8.00	Bought from 1922
1 Set Encyclopedia	1940	54.50	54.50	
1000 Ft. Fir flooring	1941	52.00	52.00	
1 Platform Scale	1928	100.00	50.00	
1 Rowboat	1940	23.50	15.00	
1 Crated Bicycle	1940	52.00	40.00	
2 Electric Iron	1925 1935	15.00	15.00	
2 Table Lamp	1940	5.00	5.00	
1 Case Chinaware	1922	85.00	85.00	Bought From 1922
1 Initialed Clock	1938	15.00	11.50	
100 lb. nails	1941	5.75	5.75	
		TOTAL	$456.75	

(ADD ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY)

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

PAYMENTS RECEIVED FROM CUSTODIAN ON PERSONAL PROPERTY

Item:	Year:	Month:	Amount.

Total: $ 47.20

Total Claim for Personal Property ..... $ 456.75

Deduct Payments from Custodian ..... $ 47.20

Net Loss on Personal Property ..... $ 409.55

I Certify the above to be True and Correct.

Chas. A. Vail
Witness

Makitaro Oga.
Signature of Claimant.



EXHIBIT NO. 723-2
DATE Sept. 28 '48
FILED BY W. S. Purnell



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OGA, Makitaro
6th & Broadway, Steveston, B.C.
Evac. File 5550

Picture Taken April 8, 1943

EXHIBIT No. 723-3
DATE Sept 28/48
FILED BY W. J. Rumsey



RP 2-B

OGA, Makitaro
6th & Broadway, Steveston, B.C.
Evac. File 5550

Picture Taken April 13, 1943

PHONE STEVESTON 127 STATEMENT

P. O. BOX 612

STEVESTON, B. C., MAR 14 1942

M 大賀卷太郎殿

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IN ACCOUNT WITH

River Fish Co., Ltd.

FRESH, FROZEN AND SALTED

FISH

	1941				
Nov	6	板類 パウエルランバー	7851 7844 7845	206 24	NET.
		仝 運賃		18 95	"
	7	板類 パウエルランバー		39 28	"
	28	仝 仝	8106	49 48	"
Dec	3	板及シングル W.J.ウォールス		181 78	"
		仝 運賃		13 08	"
Nov	28	シングル 50 Bales B.C. Fir	#6572	63 -	571.81 NET
#2 Sheet					471.11
					$1,042.92
以上 規定に依る 年利四歩の利子一月未迄					7.27
					$1050.19

Note: for lumber only.

EXHIBIT No. 723-4

DATE Sept. 28/48

FILED BY W. S. Runnels

PHONE STEVESTON 127 STATEMENT

P. O. BOX 612
STEVESTON, B. C.,

MAR 1 4 1942

M 大賀孝太郎殿

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IN ACCOUNT WITH

River Fish Co., Ltd.

FRESH, FROZEN AND SALTED
FISH

1942				
Jan 24	Purchases from			
	Van Sash & Door		23771	NET.
Feb 7	12 Pcs	1½×6 Dr Jamb		
	450 L	1×5 B.N. casing		
	450 "	1×8 " Base		
	30 "	1¼× " Blk		
	250 "	1×5 D.D. #3 Fir		
	100 "	1×6 do		
	40 "	1×8 "	22622	NET.
	30 "	1×12 "		
	72 "	6 B.N. Stool		
	75 "	1¼×10 E.G. Sl pg		
	240 "	1½× O.G. stop		
	450 "	¾-¼ Rd		
	10 "	4×4 D.D. #3 Fir		
	20 "	2×4 Hand Rail		
	35 "	2×2 D.D. Clr Fir		
	15 "	Fillet		
	2200 "	1×4 #1+2 E.G. Fly		
Feb 10	312 fl	1×6 #3 Com Beder	718	NET.
			$ 471 11	

Macheda

c/o A.V. Sabey PP
Diamond City, Alta.
Dec. 10/42 8

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
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Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herein please find the list of chattels which is stored in my property at Steveston. Certain amount of inventory has been added since the last copy you sent me didn't include all of it.

The list is confirmed with all particulars of my nets and lines stored at Steveston.

Yours very truly,

M. Aya

Reg # 04919

EXHIBIT NO 723-5
DATE Sept. 28 '48
FILED BY
W.S. Russell

File#: 5550

10th December, 1942.

Name: MAKITARO OGA

Reg. No.: 04919

Address: Corn. 6th Avenue & Broadway, Steveston, B.C.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY.

4 Beds & Springs
4 Mattresses
1 Bookcase
1 Bureau
1 Kitchen Stove
1 Heater
3 Tables
8 Chairs
1 Encyclopedia Set
1000' Fir Flooring
1 Platform Scale
1 Row Boat
1 Crated Bicycle
2 Electric Iron
2 Table Lamp
1 Case Chinaware
2 Linoleum
1 Initialed Clock
100 lbs. Nail
3 Sockeye Net With Lines

NETS LEFT AT NO.1 WAREHOUSE GULF OF GEORGIA CANNERY

	SIZE	DEPTH	PLY	LENGTH
#40	7	45	6	150 Fathom
#40	7	45	6	40 "
#50	6 7/8	50	5	50 "
#40	5 7/8	50	4	100 "
#40	5 7/8	50	4	50 "
#40	5 3/8	55	4	200 "

ALL WITH CORK AND LEAD LINES.

Letter Statement Dec 2/42

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

Confirmed:

DATE: Dec 10th 1942 SIGNED: Makitaro Oga.

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ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 5550 EXHIBIT No.

NAME Makitaro OGA

REG. No. 04919

DATE
DECLARATION 20 Apr 42
EVACUATION 30 May 42

INVENTORY
Signed
TAKEN BY Makitaro OGA
DATE 10 Dec 42

		DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES AUCTION	SALES TENDER &c	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
	LEFT ON PROPERTY:						
4 Beds	4 Beds, springs, matts.	FISHING NETS:					
Bookcase	1 bookcase	#40 x 7 x 45 x 6 x 150 fthm					
Bureau	1 bureau						
2 Stoves	1 kitchen, 1 heater stoves	#40 x 7 x 45 x 6 x 40					
2 Tables	3 tables						
8 Chairs	8 chairs	#50 x 6 x 50 x 5 x 50					
Encyclopedia 1 set	1 Encyclopedia set						
2 boxes Kitchen Utensils	1 case Chinaware	#40 x 5 x 50 x 5 x 100			95 05		
Lumber 1000 ft.	1000' flooring						
Farmer's scales	1 platform scale	#40 x 5 x 50 x 4 x 50					
Row boat	1 row boat						
5 fishing nets	3 sockeye nets	#40 x 5 x 55 x 4 x 200	425				
5 lines	with lines						
IN HOUSE AT 6th AVE. &	1 crated Bicycle						
BROADWAY, STEVESTON, BC.	2 elec. iron	Farm equipment	57 25				
Key of house to be left	2 table lamp						
with Mr. Joseph HERPE,	2 linoleum	ANNUAL OUTPUT OF PRODUCTS					
2nd house from corner of	1 initialed Clock	OF FARM:					
6th Ave and Richmond St	100# nails	Loganberries	75				
		Strawberries	200				
3 nets	LEFT AT NO.1 WAREHOUSE,						
3 lines	GULF OF GEORGIA CANNERY	1 bookcase	10	50			
IN GULF OF GEORGIA CANN-		1 kitchen stove	75				
ERY, STEVESTON, BC	#40x7x45x6x150 fthm	1 heater	15	50			
	#40x7x45x6x 40 fthm	3 tables	15		2 50 (4)		
1 Gas Engine (Easthope	#50x6x50x5x 50 fthm	8 chairs	8		3 25 (6)		
8-10 HP) Fishing Vessel	#40x5½x50x4x100 fthm	1 Encyclopedia set	54 50				
in custody of JFVDC at	#40x5½x50x4x50 fthm	1000' fir flooring	52				
New Westminster, BC.	#40x5½x55x4x200 fthm	1 platform scale	50	28			
	All with cork and lead	1 rowboat	15				
	lines.	1 crated Bicycle	40		2 25		
		2 elec. iron	15				
	".....The list is confirmed	2 table lamp	5		50		
(WIFE & CHILDREN OF OGA	with all particulars of	1 case chinaware	85		2		
DECLARED THEMSELVES TO	my nets and lines stored	1 initialed Clock	11 50				
BE WITHOUT PROPERTY OF	at Steveston."	100 lbs Nails	5 75				
ANY KIND)				M	8 25		
	"...the list of chattels	FISHING GEARS:		F	21		
	which is stored in my	Gill net boat lgth 32'		K	10 60		
	property at Steveston..."	Beam 7', 8 HP (Easthope)	800				
	SIGNED	ALLEGED LOSS	2014		79 35	95 05	
	"M. Oga"						
	.....	Received payment as under:					
	NOTE:- Fishing lines &	Auction	47.20				
	nets as above-	Fishing gear	95.05				
	noted were pre-	Fish boat	600.				
	viously inven-						
	toried by Oga						
	and valued at						
	$425.00						
	.....						

ANALYSIS

CROP	Estimated value
FISHING VESSEL	do
FARM EQUIPMENT	do
NETS & LINES	do
HOUSEHOLD GOODS	do
do	do
do	do

$ 2

JC/..

E No. 5550 EXHIBIT No. _____ CASE No. _____

G. No. 04919 VENUE _____

SALES: CTION	SALES: TENDER &c	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANYTIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT &c	UNSOLD	OUTSIDE TERMS OF REFERENCE	REMARKS
	95 05								
				57 25					None declared - none found.
								275	Outside terms of reference
50					75				Bamboo
50									Coal oil stove
2 50 (4)						2			
3 25 (6)						54 50			
					52				
28					15				Wheel only
2 25						15			
50									
2						11 50			
						5 75			
8 25									
21									
10 60								800	Sold through JFVDC 24 Apr 42 $600.
79 35	95 05			57 25	142	88 75		1075	

ANALYSIS OF CLAIM

CROP	Estimated value	275.00	Outside Terms of Reference	
FISHING VESSEL	do	800.00	Outside Terms of Reference (JFVDC Sale)	
FARM EQUIPMENT	do	57.25	No record at anytime	
NETS & LINES	do	425.00	Sold	95 05
HOUSEHOLD GOODS	do	226.00	Auctioned	79 35
do	do	142.00	Abandoned	
do	do	88.75	Not accounted for	
		$ 2014.00		$ 174 40

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Cash Register Figures Below Constitute Official Receipt.

1 - 0 18.76 D - 9525 Oct 20 42

Taxpayers' Copy

PAID Corp. of Richmond, B.C.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RICHMOND
Richmond Town Hall, Brighouse, B.C.

TAX NOTICE, 1942

RP 4

TO Makitaro Oga

c/o Custodian

Take notice that the following lands in the Municipality of Richmond, for which you are liable for taxes for the year 1942 as follows:

Roll No.	Lot	Block	Sec.	Block North	Range West	Map	Value of Land	Value of Improvements	Taxable Value
5234	10	18	3	3	7	249	334	1000	834
5	11								

are subject to the following taxes which are due on and from 1st January, 1942, and are now due and payable at the Town Hall, Brighouse, B.C.

READ CAREFULLY

Cheques to be certified and payable at par at Vancouver or Steveston and to be drawn in favour of the Corporation of the Township fo Richmond. Proper value of stamps must be attached (3¢ on all cheques up to $100.00 and 6¢ on all cheques over $100.00).

Both Notices to returned when paying rates. DO NOT DETACH.

	PAYMENTS
1942 Rates Bylaw	16.16
Draining and Dyking Bylaws	
Sea Island Dyke	
Sea Island Drainage	
Lulu Island Dyke	
No. 8 Road Drainage	
Amalgamated D. & D.Dist.	
Steveston Local	2.60
Local Improvement District No.	
TOTAL for 1942	18.76
Penalty	
Arrears of Taxes for 1941	
" Water for 1941	
Interest	
Delinquent Taxes for 1940	
" Water for 1940	
Interest	
TOTAL	

PENALTY: Add 10% to total for 1942 if not paid on or before Nov. 16th, 1942.
INTEREST at the rate of 6% per annum from December 31st in the year of levy must be added when arrears and delinquent taxes are paid.

R. C. PALMER, Collecter.

mw

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November 17, 1948.

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COULTHARD, SUTHERLAND & CO., LTD.
Estate and Insurance Agents
Car Financing

609 Columbia Street,
NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C.

Catalogue #768.
File: 5550.

April 21, 1944.

RP 5

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

APPRAISAL
RE: Lots 10 & 11, Block 18, Section 3, B3N/7W,
Map 249, Steveston TOWNSITE.

Dear Sir:

These lots are located on the corner of Sixth Avenue and Broadway and measure 33' X 120'. The property consists of a seven roomed house approximately 30' X 24' which is rented to Mr. Proto at $15.00 per month. There is City light and Water.

It is on a full cement wall foundation and the basement has a rough dirt floor. There is no furnace and it is heated by the kitchen stove. There are four rooms downstairs and three upstairs. The interior finish is rough cedar shiplap and building paper has been pasted on in some of the rooms. There is a French door from the living room to the dining room and the kitchen has a sink and the usual cupboards. The floors are large grain fir in fair condition. The exterior of the house if shiplap on which tar paper has been secured with wooden slats. The roof is in good ondition and we would say that the house is approximately six years old. There is no paint either inside or out.

There are twelve young fruit trees and a patch of raspberries. There are open ditches both at the front and the side of the property.

VALUATION:

House.	$950.00
Lot 10, corner.	125.00
Lot 11	100.00
	$1175.00

Yours very truly,

COULTHARD, SUTHERLAND & CO. LTD.,
"F. H. Coulthard"
F. H. Coulthard.

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

November 17, 1948. ma

FILE NO.: 5550 16th June, 1948. EXHIBIT NO. 723 - 9

DATE Sept. 28/48

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REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

CLAIMANT. Makitaro OGA Regn No 04919

PROPERTY SUBJECT OF CLAIM

(A) Lots 10 & 11, Blk 18 of Sec 3 B3N/7W, Map 249, Mun. of Richmond, D.N.W. (CATALOGUE #768)

known as

cor. 6th Ave., & Broadway, Steveston, B.C.

(B) Barn on land leased/rented from Steveston Nosan Kaisha Assn. of which Hikida, Koshiba, Yoshida & Takahashi are considered to be the directors

This barn erected on Lot 9 Secs 3 & 4, B3N/7W Map 4774, Mun. of Richmond, Dist. New West'r., B.C.

CLAIM

Est. Value: Land $ 150. (Land of residence)
Improvements 2071. (House & barn)
$ 2221.

Claim notes: Sale of House 1278.51
do barn 12.17

(Actual Gross Sale Price of House $1300. - - the barn proceeds have not been credited to Oga due to the fact that the affairs of the Association have not been wound up as yet. No correspondence is on Oga's file in regard to the valuation etc of the barn, so it is not understood just how he arrived at any figure whatsoever)

REFERENCES HISTORY

RP.1 (A) J. D. Mather's report of 13 May 42 provides a short description of the property.

RP.2a,b. Property photographed 8th & 13th April, 1943.

RP.3 C of E #50467 d/6 Nov 42 notes Vesting in Custodian, otherwise clear title in name of Claimant.

RP.4 Assessed 1942: Land $ 334.
Improvements 1000. $1334.00
TAXES: General 16.16
Dyking chge 2.60 18.76

RP.5 Coulthard, Sutherland & Co. Ltd. appraisal 21 Apr 44 $1175.00

RP.6 W. H. Thompson offer to purchase 27 Apr 44 $1300.

RP.7 Advisory Committee approval $1300. to Thompson d/26 May 44.

RP.8 Sold to Thompson as at 13 June 44 $1300.

NOTE: NO APPRAISAL NOR OFFERS TO PURCHASE OTHER THAN ABOVE NOTED WERE RECEIVED.

. . . . . .

(B) The Barn Claimed on by Oga is on land which is the subject of a claim by Takahashi (director). Therefore, any adjustment made by the Commissioner in the case of the land will be reflected in the allowance for the barn. An Interim Summary of the property belonging to Steveston Nosan Kaisha Association is provided herewith.

RP.9

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Nov. 17/48 [signature] MW

Attached to Exhibit 723-9

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM — 15th June 1948

CLAIMANT Makitaro OGA Regn No 04919

Cor. 6th and Broadway,
Steveston, B.C.

REFERENCES	HISTORY
JP	Itemized list of chattels as per JP d/20 Apr 42 shown on Analysis Form. OGA evacuated 30 May 42. Key to house given to Joseph HERPE.
PP.1	J.D. Mather's inventory of chattels appears to be his usual copy of the JP declaration. Not inscribed on Analysis.
PP.2	T.C. King (first Custodian rep. in Steveston) letter 13 Sep 42 notes that OGA's house was broken into during the preceding week. King notes key to house in hands of Joseph HERPE.
PP.3	Oga's letter 24 Oct 42 request shipment of a sewing machine that he admits not having declared to the Custodian. (See "X" page 2). Oga states Joe HERPE will send it to him if the Custodian too busy.
PP.4	Bill of Lading d/12 Nov 42 covers shipment of Sewing machine.
PP.5	Custodian inventoried(?) chattels on the premises and sent a copy of the inventory to Oga for his confirmation, 22 Oct 42.
PP.6	Oga answer d/30 Oct 42 notes absence of 5 nets/lines from the Custodian inventory as submitted. Requests addition of these items and he will sign.
PP.7	Oga signs as being in agreement for chattels being included in a lease of his house.
PP.8	Oga letter 10 Dec 42 encloses copy of Custodian inventory signed by him as to correctness. This inventory used on Analysis of Claim Form as interim inventory between JP declaration and Claim.
PP.9	When removing chattels from Oga's home to storage, the Custodian representative found additional chattels on the premises. These belonged to Takejiro NAKATA, and Oga's letter of 30 Oct 44 confirms this fact and submits list of these chattels to Custodian.
PP.10	Custodian letter to Oga 30 Apr 45 notes chattels included in lease will be auctioned. (Storage lists PP.11 note their removal)
PP.11	Storage lists note articles removed to Storage, ALSO ARTICLES ABANDONED.
PP.12	Auction sheets herewith.
"NETS" NOTE:	A net list (undated) was received from Oga in which the nets left by him were vlaued at $425. (same as Claim). A net statement forwarded to him by this office 2 Dec 43 cannot be reconciled to the net sales item by item. Consequently it was necessary to group proceeds received under one heading. How Green made up the Net Statement of 2 Dec 43 is not clear on file.
PP.13	Summary of Vessel Records notes Fishing Vessel sold by JFVDC 24/4/42 $600. This places this vessel outside the terms of reference.
FARM EQPT.	No farm equipment was declared by Oga at any time, and as he was a fisherman and just grew berries on the side, it is considered that his claim in this direction emanated from the fountains of hope.

JC/..

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November 17, 1948.

M.W. C. Hyde

EXHIBIT No. 723 - 10

FORM "JP"

FILE No. DATE FILED BY Sept. 28/48 G.E.A.Rice

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: OGA Makitaro.

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 307, corner of 6th Avenue and Broadway, Steveston, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 04919 SEX: Male AGE: 54

OCCUPATION: Fisherman Farmer

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

EMPLOYER: Self

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Teru

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: as above

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Takumi (M) Toshio (M) Shizue (F)
Yoshito (M) Sumiko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: as above

AGE OF CHILDREN: 17, 16, 15, 14, 13.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Corner of 6th Avenue and Broadway, Steveston, B.C.
Municipality of Richmond, Lots 10 and 11, Block 18 of Section 3 Block 3 North Range 7 West, Map 249 in the District of New Westminster.
Title Certificate No. 135783 E.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:
2 Storey Dwelling House of 7 rooms "not completely constructed"
On Rented Land at 7th Avenue (for details see next page)
1 Barn, 40 X 16.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) $2,000.00 Fire Insurance, Policy No. 3400540, in own possession.
London and Lancashire Accident Co. Agent Thomas C. King, Steveston, B.C.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) $7.76 paid 1941 at Richmond Town Hall, Brighouse, B.C.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)
None.

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)
Occupied by owner and family.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In own possession

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

Raspberries on one lot.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 7th Avenue, Steveston, B.C.

Lot 8, 9. Section 3/4 Block 3 North, Range 7 West, 4 Acres of land.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: G. Takahashi, Y. Hikida, S. Yoshida,

Address of G. Takahashi, No. 1, Garry Road (corner) Steveston, B.C.

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

$120.00 per annum, paid up to date. Payment made in Nov. 1941.

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:

Strawberries, Loganberries and Peas on 1 Acre.

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

Corner of 6th Avenue and Broadway, Steveston, B.C. (P.O.Box 307)

4 Beds, Bookcase, Bureau, 2 Stoves, 2 Tables, 8 Chairs, Encyclopaedia 1 set,
2 Boxes Kitchen Utensils ("Lumber") Wood 1,000 ft. Farmer's Scales, Row Boat,
5 Fishing Nets, 5 Lines (lead and Cork).
In Cannery Net House, Gulf of Georgia Cannery, Steveston, B.C. 3 Nets and 3 Lines.

1 Gas Engine (Easthope, 8 - 10 H.P.) Fishing Vessel in the custody of the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee, at New Westminster, B.C.
Key of house to be left with Mr. Joseph Herpe, 2nd house from corner of 6th Avenue and Richmond Street, Steveston.

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.

FORM "JP" FILE No.

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)

$100.00 Victory Bonds in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: $1,000.00 20 year Endowment, Sun Life Assurance Co., Vancouver. Policy No. 853566 in own possession. Beneficiary, wife, Teru.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

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

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

Dated this 20th day of April 1942

(Signature) "Makitaro Oga"

"A. G. McArthur"
Witness

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

November 17, 1948.

MW

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DATE Sept. 28/48

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PROOF OF CLAIM

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

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

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

1. Name of Claimant in full: Makitaro Oga

   Registration No. 04919

2. Claimant's address at the time of his evacuation from the protected area: Steveston, B. C.

3. Claimant's present address: Diamond City, Alberta.

4. Claim relating to real property:

   (a) Street Address of real property: Corner 6th Avenue & Broadway, Steveston, B.C.

   (b) Legal description of property:

   A Lots (10) and (11) Block (18) of Section (3) Block (3) North Range (7) West Map (249) in the District of New Westminster.

   B Farm Property
   Lot 8-9 Section ¾ Block north 3 Range West ~~4~~ 7.

   Barn on rented land.

Virtue & Russel, Barristers, Lethbridge.

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

Residence

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

Title #135783E

Farm Property (Company land)

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

(I) Land--- $150.00 (land of residence)

(II) Buildings-2071.00 (House and Barn)

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

$2221.00

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

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

Farm Equipment on "said" farm.

Remaining property on "said" residence.

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

Left in hands of Custodian.

Virtue & Russell, Barristers, Lethbridge.

Fishing Net Left at Gulf of Georgia Cannery No. 1 Net Warehouse

	SIZE	DEPTH	PLY	LENGTH
#40	7	45	6	150 Fathom
#40	7	45	6	40 "
#50	6	50	5	50 "
#40	5	50	4	100 "
#40	5	50	4	50 "
#40	5	55	4	200 "

All with cork and lead line - - - - - - - - - $425.00

FARM PROPERTY

Lot 8-9 Section 3/4 Block North 3 Range West 7

Farm equipment left at above address- - - - - $57.25

ANNUAL OUTPUT OF PRODUCTS OF FARM

(a) Loganberries	¼ acre	$75.00
(b) Steawberries	½ acre	$200.00
	Complete total	$275.00

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

Custodian

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

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS

(a) 1 Bookcase	$10.00
(b) 1 Kitchen stove	$75.00
(c) 1 Heater	$15.00
(d) 3 Tables	$15.00
(e) 8 Chairs	$ 8.00
(f) 1 Encyclopedia set	$54.50
(g) 1000' Fir flooring	$52.00
(h) 1 Platform scale	$50.00
(i) 1 Rowboat	$15.00
(j) 1 Crated Bicycle	$40.00
(k) 2 Electric iron	$15.00
(l) 2 Table lamp	$ 5.00
(m) 1 Case Chinaware	$85.00
(n) 1 Initialed clock	$11.50
(o) 100 lbs. Nails	$ 5.75
	$456.75

FISHING GEARS

Gill net Boat Length 32 ft. Beam 7 ft. 8 Horsepower (Easthope)- - $800.00

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

$2014.00

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

7. An Interpreter will. . . . . .be required.

DATED this 14th day of ~~October~~ Nov. A.D.1947.

"S. Kunimoto" . . . . . "Makitaro Oga" . . . .

Witness to Signature of Claimant Signature of Claimant

Virtue & Russell, Barristers, Lethbridge.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Makitaro Oga
(Full Name of Claimant)

of Diamond City, Alta. Beetworker
(Present Address) (Occupation)

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.

2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.

3. The above Claim is true and correct.

4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:
Sale of House-$1278.51. Proceeds from Aug.4/44 Auction Sale --$35.25. Proceeds from Oct.19/44 Auction Sale--$11.95
Sale of Fishing Gear--$95.05. Sale of Fishing Boat-- $600.00
Sale of Barn--$12.17. House Rent--$252.00

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

DECLARED at Picture Butte)
in the Province of Alberta)
this 14th day of November)
A.D. 1947.)
"Ro... O. Virtue")
A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta.)

"Makitaro Oga.

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