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BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 1722

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 INFORMATIONNAME: TSUMURA, IsaoHOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 157, Williams Rd., Steveston, B.C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 04298 SEX: Male AGE: 33OCCUPATION: 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: MyselfMARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Yasue 5254ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: P.O. Box 157, Williams Rd., Steveston, B.C.NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Kazuyo (F) Hasumichi (M) Kangi (M)ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: P.O. Box 157 Williams Rd., Steveston, B.C.AGE OF CHILDREN: 8 years 3 years 1 year**STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY** (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: Four-room farm house frame.Barn 22' x 32'belong to me3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS:-----
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST:-----
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN ~~in~~ 1-acre of strawberries.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Four-room farm house at P.O. Box 157
Williams Rd., Steveston, B.C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS Mrs. Stevens, No. 1 Road, Steveston, B.C.
owns the land
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: \$120 per year
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: In my home
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) None
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: 1-acre of strawberries.

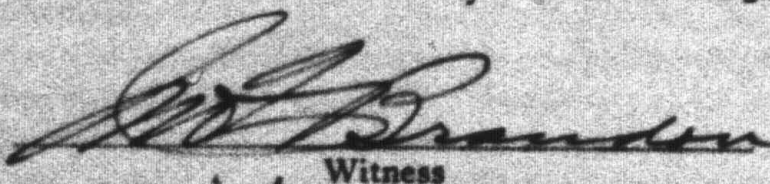
STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES,
EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:-----
~~As per list attached~~ 2 stoves, 2 cupboards, 2 dressers, tables,
chairs, 500 strawberry baskets, 1 sprayer, shovels, hoe, 2 beds
1 dressing table, etc.
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: _____

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: None6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
\$25 in War Savings Certificates in owner's possession8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1000 Sun Life Ins. Co. 20-year endowment policy
Policy in my home.10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None**LIABILITIES:**1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: None**REMARKS:**

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 7th day of April 1942.
Witness(Signature) John J. J. J.

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE May 27, 1943

Our File No. 1722

Full Name TSUMURA, Isao

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04298

Male - Female
(Check)

Age March 1, 1909

Former Address P. O. Box 157, Williams Road, Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated May 12, 1942

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Grand Forks, B.C.

☒ Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife (nee Kariya) Yasue #04297

Name of Husband ---

Name of Mother (nee KUBO) Koshige (Japan) Name of Father Torakichi (Japan)

Names of Children under 16 Kazuyo June 10, 1934

Harumichi April 25, 1939

Kanji December 22, 1940

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian YES
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer. Owner of implements

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October 28, 1946.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Isao TSUMURA
Registration No. 04298

There is no Real Property involved in this file.

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



George Peters
Office of the Custodian

GP/1c

October 28, 1946.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

Re: Iseo TSUMURA

Registration No. 34298

Canadian Industries Ltd. \$61.69
This amount was paid in full from TSUMURA's account with the
Custodian on September 17, 1943.

Pioneer Ballock Box Co. \$54.47
This amount was paid in full from TSUMURA's account with the
Custodian on September 22, 1943.

Mrs. Ida B. Staves (Rent Arrears) \$35.00
This amount was paid in full from TSUMURA's account with the
Custodian on September 17, 1943.

No claims other than those mentioned above are revealed on the
file.

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



George Peters
Office of the Custodian

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October 28, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Issao TSUMURA
Registration No. 04298

CHATELS: See Chattel Summary.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES: The file reveals a 1936 Maple Leaf truck # T-147 was appraised and sold to the B.C. Government in the amount of \$450.00 less expenses of \$22.40, giving a net amount of \$427.60 which was credited to TSUMURA's account.

BONDS: \$25.00 War Savings Certificates in owner's possession. As this did not come under the control of the Custodian, no action required.

LIFE INSURANCE: \$1,000.00 Sun Life Assurance policy in owner's possession. As this did not come under the control of the Custodian, no action required.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: Refund of B.C. Security Light Deposit.....\$3.00

No property interests other than those mentioned above are revealed on the file.

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



George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/ic

October 28, 1946.

CHattel SUMMARY

No: Isaac TSUMURA
Registration No. 04298
Evacuated May 12, 1942.

In his declaration of April 7, 1942, TSUMURA declared certain chattels left in the protected area (See Chattel Schedule). He also had a four (4) room shack and barn which he had built on the property owned by one Mrs. Ida B. Steeves being a West Fourth of lots 46, 47, 48 being a piece of land situated on the west end of the said lots 46, 47, 48 extending eastward 10 rods from the west end of the said lots.

In a statement received from Mrs. Steeves, TSUMURA was \$71.00 in rent arrears. After evacuation Mrs. Steeves rented a portion of this land to a Mr. P. Procopation for \$15.00. This amount was deducted from the amount owing by TSUMURA and \$56.00 rent arrears was paid in full to Mrs. Steeves on September 17, 1943.

An arrangement was made with Mrs. Steeves whereby the buildings were rented by the Custodian to a Mrs. L. J. Thompson for \$6.00 per month plus \$2.00 for water rates. The tenant was allowed one month's free rent to make the buildings habitable. The file reveals a letter of October 12, 1944, that Mrs. Steeves had entered into a sale of the property with the Director, The Veterans' Land Act and on the same date, the Director was notified that the Custodian had an unregistered interest in the property, that is, the buildings. On October 13, 1944, the Custodian was notified by the Director that the land was purchased free of all encumbrances and Mrs. Steeves had notified the Director she gave no permission for the erection of any buildings on her property, but intimated to them she had told TSUMURA that he might remove the buildings if he deemed to do so at the expiration of the lease. No appraisal of the buildings was made by their appraiser as he did not consider the buildings as adding any value to the land. However, the Director would have no objection to the Custodian removing the buildings. In a further letter from the Director on November 9, 1944, he states the Regional Supervisor had reported the buildings were detrimental to the property and not worth moving to some other locality. The maximum salvage value would not exceed \$50.00.

The Custodian then endeavoured to sell the buildings for their salvage value. The only offer received was from Thomas Leslie in which he offered to pull down and remove the shacks and clean up this property for whatever he could obtain out of the salvage. As the Director requested the removal of the buildings, Mr. Shears, the Custodian's Director, agreed to allow Mr. Leslie demolish the buildings as per his offer.

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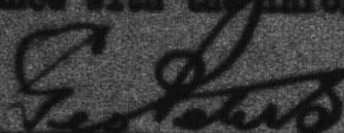
Chattel Summary (continued)

The Custodian removed to storage a few dishes only. Mr. Harris, Custodian's agent, in a report of November 30, 1944, states that he was informed by Mrs. Steeves that the buildings had been badly ransacked and only china had been salvaged. (See Chattel Schedule).

The file reveals on August 14, 1944, \$1.00 was credited to TSUMUMA's account from the sale of posts.

It is noted TSUMUMA's wife, Yasue File No. 5254, declared practically the same chattels. We are placing a copy of this Summary on her file.

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



George Peters
Office of the Custodian.

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copy - file #5254.

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October 28, 1946.

CHATTEL SCHEDULE

Re: Isao TSUMURA
Registration No. 04298

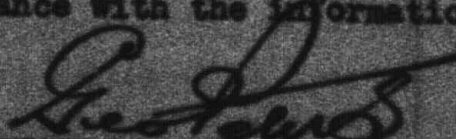
JAPANESE DECLARATION APRIL 7, 1942

2 stoves
2 cupboards
2 dressers
tables
chairs
500 strawberry baskets
1 sprayer
shovels
hoe
2 beds
1 dressing table, etc.

4 Moon farm house framed barn 22' x 32'

DISPOSITION OF THESE CHATTELS, SEE CHATTEL SUMMARY

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



George Peters
Office of the Custodian

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MEMORANDUM

To: File 1722

April 21, 1944.

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: TSUMURA, +sao - Reg. 04298

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
TRUCK	1936 Maple Leaf No. T147 License No. (42) C 3905	\$450.00

Sold to: Land's Dept.

Selling Price: \$450.00.

No transfer papers on Truck File.

Harker

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U. S. 10-5000-1-50

USED CAR APPRAISAL RECORD

NAME 1147

ADDRESS _____

Paint	\$ <u>2.00</u>	Make	<u>Maple Leaf</u>
Tires <u>8 16 X 6 90</u>	\$ <u>4.00</u>	Model	<u>1596</u>
Body & Fenders	\$ <u>1.00</u>	Body Style	<u>Truck</u>
Glass	\$ <u>1.00</u>		<u>Slake Body</u>
Top	\$ <u>1.00</u>	Year	<u>36</u>
Nickelling	\$ <u>1.00</u>	License	<u>63905</u>
Radiator	\$ <u>1.00</u>	Serial	<u>6152405</u>
Running Boards	\$ <u>1.00</u>		<u>511</u>
Mats & Kick Pads	\$ <u>1.00</u>	Mileage	<u>69016</u>
Upholstery	\$ <u>1.00</u>	Remarks	<u>Int. Spall.</u>
Hardware	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Motor Expense	\$ <u>45.00</u>		
Transmission	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Rear Axle	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Universal Joints	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Clutch	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Steering	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Brakes	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Tighten Up	\$ <u>8.00</u>		
Muffler	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Sundries <u>1 Bat</u>	\$ <u>12.50</u>		
Wash & Clean Motor	\$ <u>9.00</u>		
Clean Interior	\$ <u>2.00</u>		
Oil & Grease, Change	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Oil & Check Over	\$ <u>1.00</u>		
Total	\$ <u>65.50</u>		

Mod. interested in _____

Selling price \$ 450.00

Salesman V Less Repairs \$ _____

Date H. Gravel Allowance \$ _____

Appraised By _____

For immediate acceptance only.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
EXHIBIT REPORT

Detachment
Seizure No. **T 147**
FOR USE WHEN APPLICABLE

Detachment File No.
Sub-Division File No.
Division File No. **2269-0-13-3**
Headquarters File No.

Detachment
Sub-Division
Division (X)
Date March 13 1942

RE: Isaac TSUNURA Williams Rd ,Box 157 Steveston BC

On March 13 1942, I Goodfellow K N

Came into possession of the following goods by:-

SURRENDERED UNDER O.I.C. P.C. 1486

STATE BRIEFLY AUTHORITY, ETC., WHETHER BY SEARCH WARRANT, ETC.

NO. OF PAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS DETAILS TO BE GIVEN IN FULL
LICENSE NO. MAKE & MODEL SERIAL NO. ENGINE NO. SPEEDOMETER READING CONDITION	(42) 03905 Maple Leaf Chev 36 6102405578 6414668 Pair	TIRE NUMBERS 69018
EXTRA EQUIPMENT	Nil	
DESCRIPTION & CONDITION VERIFIED	Right Head Light Cracked	
X. <u>Signature of Owner</u> Japanese Registration No. 04298		
Handed over to representative of Custodian whose signature in receipt thereof appears hereunder <u>[Signature]</u>		
DATE:	March 12/42.	<u>[Signature]</u> SIGNATURE OF MEMBER SUBMITTING REPORT

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Registration Number 04298

TSUMURA, Isao

P. O. Box 157, Williams Rd., Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

This man owns no real estate, is renting the lot from Mrs. Steves, No. 1 Road, Steveston, on which there is erected a 4 room shack, frame, shingle roof, outside toilet. The place is in a very dirty condition and unsanitary. I would consider it unrentable.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

There is about 1 acre in strawberries, which are in good condition and which I have been informed, have been sold to one Pete Procopation, 108 Williams Road. The personal effects are stored in the house which is boarded up and the strawberry crates and tools are in the barn. In both cases, these were boarded up and I was unable to affect entrance.

FINANCIAL POSITION

This man claims to have no liabilities. I am notified, however, that there is a Judgment against him held by the Pioneer Ballock Box Co., obtained on April 8th, 1942.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that authority be given to break into these premises and any effects be moved to central storage.

May 11th, 1942.

A. Marker

This Indenture

made the 11th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and 34

IN PURSUANCE OF THE "LEASEHOLDS ACT"

BETWEEN I da Bertha Steeves, (Widow) of Steveston
in the Municipality of Richmond, in the Province
of British Columbia

State Full Name
Address and
Occupation

hereinafter called the Lessor of the FIRST PART;

AND Isao Isumura,

State Full Name
Address and
Occupation

(Fisherman) of Steveston, in Municipality
and Province aforesaid.

hereinafter called the Lessee of the SECOND PART;

WITNESSETH, that in consideration of the yearly rents, covenants and conditions hereinafter respectively reserved and contained, the said Lessor doth demise and lease unto the said Lessee, ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land

situate, lying and being in the Municipality of Richmond, in the District of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia. Being portions of Section Thirty-five (35) Block four (4) North, Range seven (7) West. The said parcel or piece of land being more particularly described as follows:

The West one fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Lots Forty-eight (48), Forty-seven (47), and Forty-six (46), being pieces of land situated on the west ends of said lots 48, 47 and 46, extending eastward ten (10) rods from the west end of said lots. And one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) acre of land situated on the North-West corner of Lot Forty-five (45) adjoining the South side of the said

From the

one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four day of January West one fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of lot Forty-eight and extending eastward ten rods (10 rods) from the west end of said lot 45 and eight (8) rods South. Making in all four (4) acres, more or less

From the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four for the term of five years next ensuing

YIELDING AND PAYING therefor to the said Lessor, the clear yearly rent or sum of Sixty (\$60.00) Dollars of lawful money of Canada, payable on the following days and times, that is to say: The sum of ten

dollars (\$10.00) on the 15th day of July, 1934.

Thirty dollars (\$30.00) on the thirtieth (30th) day of November, 1934, and on the thirtieth day of December, 1934, the sum of twenty dollars (\$20.00)

Thirty dollars (\$30.00) on the 15th day of July, 1935
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AND the said Lessee COVENANT with the said Lessor to pay rent, and ~~to pay taxes~~, and to repair (reasonable wear and tear, and damage by fire and tempest excepted). AND that the said Lessor may enter and view state of repair;

AND that the said Lessee will repair according to notice (reasonable wear and tear, and damage by fire and tempest excepted).

AND will not assign or sub-let without leave;

AND will not carry on any business that shall be deemed a nuisance on the said premises;

AND that he will leave the premises in good repair (reasonable wear and tear, and damage by fire and tempest excepted).

AND ALSO that if the term hereby granted shall be at any time seized or taken in execution or in attachment by any creditor of the said Lessee or if the said Lessee shall make any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or becoming bankrupt or insolvent shall take the benefit of any Act that may be in force for bankrupt or insolvent debtors, THE then current quarter's rent shall immediately become due and payable and the said term shall immediately become forfeited and void.

AND it is hereby declared and agreed that in case the premises hereby demise or any part thereof shall at any time during the term hereby granted be burned down, or damaged by fire, so as to render the same unfit for the purpose of the said Lessee, then and so often as the same shall happen the rent hereby reserved, or a proportionate part thereof according to the nature and extent of the injury sustained, and all remedies for recovering the same shall be suspended and abated until the said premises shall have been rebuilt or made fit for the purpose of the said Lessee.

PROVISO for re-entry by the said Lessor on non-payment of rent, whether lawfully demanded or not; or on non-performance of covenants; or seizure or forfeiture of the said term for any of the causes aforesaid.

THE said LESSOR COVENANT with the said LESSEE for quiet enjoyment.

THIS INDENTURE shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

WHEREVER the singular and masculine are used throughout this Indenture, the same shall be construed as meaning the plural or the feminine or body politic or corporate where the context or the parties hereto so require.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
BY THE LESSOR IN THE PRESENCE OF

State Full Name
Address and
Occupation of
Witness

M. A. Steves

Ida Bertha Steves

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
BY THE LESSEE IN THE PRESENCE OF

State Full Name
Address and
Occupation of
Witness

M. A. Steves

J. Tsumura

FOR MAKER

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the _____ day of _____ 19____
at _____ in the _____ of _____
(whose identity has been proved by the evidence on oath of
who is) personally known to me, appeared before me and acknowledged
to me that _____ the person mentioned in the annexed instrument as the maker thereof, and whose
name _____ subscribed thereto as part and that he know the contents thereof, and that he executed
the same voluntarily, and _____ of the full age of twenty-one years.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office at
_____ British Columbia, this _____ day
of _____ in the year of our Lord one thousand
nine hundred and _____

A NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the Province of British Columbia.
A COMMISSIONER for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

NOTE--Where the person making the acknowledgment is personally known to the officer taking the same, strike out the words in brackets.

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

PHONE PACIFIC 6181

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 1722

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

26th May, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
JUN 12 1942

Mr. Isao Tsumura,
Grand Forks, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Since receiving your registration form dated April 7th we have been making an investigation into your affairs and in order to assist us in this connection we would appreciate your providing us with information or comments on the following points:

1. We would appreciate your informing us of the date to which you paid rent to Mrs. Steves and at the same time we would like to have a copy of your lease, if any, with Mrs. Steves. *I have my copy of lease with Mrs. Steves at my house in direction - so is the receipt of my payment I took to Mrs. Steves.*

2. Please provide us with the date on which you sold your crops to Mr. Pete Procopation, the amount of money for which you sold these crops and whether or not you were paid in full. *When I left direction, I have not sold my crops to Mr. Procopation, I do not know any particulars about the my crops sold.*

3. At the present time your personal effects, together with your strawberry crates and tools, are reported to be boarded up in your house and barn. We have therefore not broken in and verified these effects.

4. We are informed that the Pioneer Hallock Box Co. obtained a judgment against you on April 8th, 1942 and we would appreciate your providing us with some particulars in this connection. *I owe Pioneer Hallock Box Co. approx. \$46.00 for crates. As much as I like to clean up my debt to the Co., as present I have no money with me, as I shall*

5. The Canadian Industries Limited have filed with us a claim against you, duly notarized, for the sum of \$61.69. Would you please confirm whether or not this claim is in order. *Ind. C.I.L. has a claim against me of \$61.69. As much as I like to pay this Co. also, I have no money at the present moment.*

It is somewhat important to you that we obtain from you as much information as possible in connection with the points we have raised in this letter so that we may take whatever action is necessary in the light of a complete knowledge of your affairs.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
R. P. Alexander
Assistant Manager

RPA:LP

RECEIVED
MAY 30 1942

R.R. No. 1, Steveston, B.C.

May 29th 1942

Mr. R.P. Alexander,

Japanese Evacuation Section,

Vancouver, B.C.

File No. 1732

Dear Sir,

Your letter asking for a statement of my lease to Isao Tsumura received.

Isao Tsumura leased four acres of my land in 1934 and he has always been slow in paying his rent. In 1939 he finished paying his rent to the end of the year 1937. In 1938 he rented two acres more, making six acres of land for the sum of seventy five dollars a year, and he has paid some rent each year since. In 1941 he only rented four acres for the sum of fifty dollars, and he now owes me seventy-one dollars (\$71.00)?

The land that he rented from me is on Williams Road, a half a mile from my home on Steveston Highway. When he leased my land he did not ask me if he could put any dwelling house on my property, but a few months after he had leased the land, I saw that he had built a small shack of old lumber on the land he had rented. Since then he has added a little to the shack every year or two without asking my permission to build.

The house is now a low building about seventeen feet wide and twenty-eight feet long, shingled on the outside and ceiled inside with shiplap, and has an unfinished lean-to about eight feet wide, along one side of the house. There is a wood shed built onto the end of the house next to the road.

The house is roughly built and unpainted and has four small rooms including the lean-to.

Isao Tsunura has put in the water and electric light and the telephone.

Yours truly

(Mrs.) Ida B. Steeves

115 Steveston Highway

E. A. Dickie
Barrister, Solicitor
Etc.

OFFICES:
SUITE 620, STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
475 HOWE STREET

Vancouver, B.C.

1722 *Memo*
Telephone: Pacific 6556
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
MAY 30 1942

May 29th, 1942.

Mr. R. P. Alexander,
506 Royal Bank Building,
C I T Y

Dear Sir:-

- Re: Pioneer Hallock Box Co. vs I. Tsumura (Steveston)

My client telephoned me today regarding your letter to them
under date of the 26th inst.

A Judgment was entered on the 8th of April 1942 for \$50.97 and
on the 9th a warrant of execution was placed in the hands of the Sheriff
here who got in touch with Mr. J.D. Mather.

The amount due on the Judgment is now \$64.47 made up as follows:-

Amount of Judgment,	\$50.97
Costs of issuing Judgment	
Summons,	2.50
Paid Court fees,	1.00
Paid Sheriff's fees,	10.00
	\$64.47

I trust this information is satisfactory.

Yours truly,

EAD/D

E. A. Dickie

*Paid
22-9-43
Rec 6409*

R.R. No. 1. Steveston, B.C.

June 17th 1942

Mr. R. P. Alexander

Assistant Manager

Japanese Evacuation Section

Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,

As requested I am sending you my lease to Isao Tsumura and a statement of the payments he has made. He has been raising strawberries and cabbages on most of the land that he rented from me. Last year he plowed up the land and planted cabbages and a small patch of strawberries. He did not say anything to me about the strawberries, and after he moved away, his nearest neighbor, Mr. Procopation came to me and asked me if I would rent him the little piece of land that was planted in strawberries, and I rented it to him for \$15.00.

Yours truly

(Mrs) Ida B. Steeves

Statement of payments of rent received from Isao Tsumura.

Amount of rent for 4 acres of land at \$15.00 per acre for 1934		\$60.00
1934	July 15	Payment received \$10.00
"	Nov. 30	" " 30.00
1935	Mar. 3	" " 10.00
"	June	" " 10.00
\$60.00 Received payment in full for 1934		\$60.00
Amount of rent for 4 acres of land for the year 1935		\$60.00
1935	Sept. 9	Payment received \$30.00
"	Nov. 23	" " 20.00
1936	Jan. 26	" " 10.00
\$60.00 Received payment in full for 1935		\$60.00
Amount of rent for 4 acres of land for the year 1936		\$60.00
1936	Sept. 21	Payment received \$10.00
"	Dec. 23	" " 20.00
1937	Mar. 31	" " 30.00
\$60.00 Received payment in full for 1936		\$60.00
Amount of rent for 4 acres of land for the year 1937		\$60.00
1937	Feb. 13	Payment received \$20.00
"	Aug. 7	" " 25.00
"	Dec. 3	" " 15.00
\$60.00 Received payment in full for 1937		\$60.00
1936	Jan. 26	Rec'd payment of rent for 1 acre rented in 1935 and not included in lease \$10.00
1937	July 2	" " " 2 1/2 acres rented in 1937 " " " " \$25.00

Amount of rent for 6 acres of land at \$12.50 per acre for 1938 — \$75.00

1939	Sept. 24	Payment received	15.00
"	Dec. 21	"	30.00
1940	Apr. 7	"	20.00
"	Sept. 7	"	<u>10.00</u>
			75.00 Received payment in full for 1938 75.00

Amount of rent for 6 acres of land for the year 1939 — \$75.00

1939	July	Payment rec'd 1 crate of Strawberries	\$2.00
"	Dec.	" 1 cask cabbage	1.00
1940	Dec. 3	"	20.00
1941	Mar. 25	"	10.00
"	Apr. 3	"	10.00
"	Apr.	" Garden plowed	4.00
"	Oct.	" 9 acres plowed	27.00
"	Sept.	"	<u>1.00</u>
			\$75.00
			Received payment in full for 1939 — \$75.00

Amount of rent for 6 acres of land for 1940 — \$75.00

" " " " 4 " " " " 1941 50.00 \$125.00

\$75.00

1941	Sept. 1	Payment received	\$14.00
"	Nov.	"	10.00
1942	Feb. 22	"	<u>30.00</u>
			\$54.00
Part payment of rent for 2 years is \$54.00. Amount not paid <u>\$71.00</u>			

June 24, 1942

Mrs. Ida B. Steeves,
R. R. #1,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Isao Tsumura

Thank you very much for your letter dated June 17th and for sending us lease you had with Mr. Tsumura, together with a detailed statement of your account with Mr. Tsumura from 1934 to date.

We observe that you received payments in full from Mr. Tsumura during the years 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939. Your statement of account indicates that for 1940 and 1941 you were due to receive a total rent of \$125, against which you have received payment to date amounting to \$54, leaving a balance due to you of \$71.

Your statement also indicates that during 1940 you rented to Mr. Tsumura a total of 6 acres and during 1941 a total of 4 acres only. Mr. Procopation states that he rented from you a small patch of about $\frac{1}{4}$ acre containing strawberries and your letter informs us that you rented him this land for \$15.

There are a few more facts in connection with this matter which we desire to ascertain and we would ask that you be good enough to provide us with them.

Would you please indicate to us the value of the strawberries on this land at the time you rented it to Mr. Procopation as it is quite possible in our opinion that the value of the strawberries themselves exceeded the amount due you for rent of \$71. In any case the payment you have received of \$15.- should now be credited by you against your account with Mr. Tsumura.

With reference to the house built by Mr. Tsumura on your property, do you have any objection, at least for

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the time being and until further notice from us, to having the house remain on your property for use in storing the remaining possessions of Mr. Tsumura?

With our apologies for troubling you and in anticipation of hearing from you shortly,

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Assistant Manager.

RPA/PMH

1722?

~~Richard~~
Alexander

P.R. No. 1, Steveston, B.C.

June 29th 1942

Mr. R.P. Alexander,
Assistant Manager,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
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Dear Sir,

Your letter of June 24th received. You asked
one what I considered the value of the crop on the
one fourth of an acre of strawberries that Mrs. Isumura
planted last year. As it was not well enriched and
was not weeded and cultivated, it was not worth much.
The other Japanese around here, that had one half acre
or less in strawberries, just left them and did not
get any pay for them at all. I think if Mr.
Isumura could have sold his crop he would have
done so. The reason that Mr. Procopation wanted
to rent it was because it was almost adjoining
his own garden, but he would not pay any more than
fifteen dollars for it.
I would like very much to have the buildings
removed from the land as soon as it is convenient,
as I do not want to keep on paying taxes for the buildings,
and Mrs. Isumura will not be renting the land again.

Yours truly
(Mrs.) Ida B. Steves

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July 10th, 1942.

Mr. Isao Tsumura,
Grand Forks, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate receiving the benefit of your comments on the results of our investigation to date in connection with your affairs, particulars of which you will find under appropriate headings as follows:

1. Your Lease with Mrs. Steeves.

Mrs. Steeves informs us that the ground you rented from her is situated on Williams Road about half a mile from her home on Steveston Highway and that after you leased the land from her, you erected a small house about 17 feet wide and 28 feet long on her property and without her consent and, that you also erected a small unfinished lean-to about 8 feet wide along one side of the house and that in addition, there is a woodshed built onto the house next to the road. We understand further that you had water installed, also electric light and telephone. We have examined original lease signed by you and by Mrs. Steeves and note that it is dated January 11th, 1934 and runs to November 30th, 1938. Having asked Mrs. Steeves for a statement of account in connection with payments made under this lease, we find that you made payment in full for 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937 and, that in 1937 you also made payment for ground not included in the lease. In 1938 your payments at \$12.50 per acre for the 6 acres involved were also paid in full. Payments also were made in full covering ground rented during the year 1939.

With regard to 1940 subsequently we are informed that you were indebted to the extent of \$75.00, covering 6 acres of land rented in 1940 and \$50.00 for 4 acres of land rented in 1941, making a total obligation of \$125.00 and, that against this you paid Mrs. Steeves \$14.00 on Sept. 1st, 1941, \$10.00 in Nov. 1941, and \$30.00 on Feb. 22nd, 1942 making total payments of \$54.00 and leaving a balance unpaid in respect of 1940 and 1941 amounting to \$71.00. From the information we have on file, it appears that you do not have any lease agreement in force with Mrs. Steeves and Mrs. Steeves informs us that she has no intention of renting the land to

you in the future.

2. Your crop.

When you registered your assets with us on April 7th, you declared that you had a crop of strawberries on a plot of about one acre. Subsequently we were informed that a Mr. Pete Procopation rented from Mrs. Steeves, the ground on which these strawberries were growing and that in this connection, he paid to Mrs. Steeves, the sum of \$15.00. We have been in correspondence with Mrs. Steeves in this connection in an endeavour to ascertain the value of the crops in question and she informs us that you had previously been raising strawberries and cabbages on most of the land you obtained from her but that last year you ploughed up the land and planted cabbages and a small patch of strawberries and that after you moved away, she rented the strawberry patch to Mr. Procopation. She informed us further, that there was only about one quarter of an acre of strawberries, that it was not well enriched, and had not been weeded and cultivated and that it was not worth much and that the only reason she sold to Mr. Procopation was because it was almost adjoining his own garden.

3. Your buildings.

Mention has already been made about your buildings. Mrs. Steeves informs us that it is her desire that the buildings be removed from the land as soon as convenient and that she does not desire to keep on paying taxes for the buildings.

4. Your debts.

We have already informed you that the Canadian Industries Ltd., have filed with us, claim against you duly notarized for the sum of \$64.62, and that the Pioneer Hallock Box Co. obtained a judgment against you on April 8th, 1942 for \$64.74.

At the time you registered your property with us, you declared that you had approximately 500 strawberry baskets, one sprayer, shovels, a hoe, 2 beds, 2 stoves, 2 cupboards, 2 dressers, tables etc. stored in your house which has been boarded up by you or in the barn which was also boarded up by you. We therefore do not affect intrusions and consequently have not verified actual contacts. In view of these circumstances it appears to us that it might become advisable for us to arrange to have the contents of your barn and home sold for the highest obtainable price and with these proceeds to pay off the judgment obtained by the Pioneer Hallock Box Co. and to meet the claim made by the Canadian Industries Ltd. if possible and, if there should be any proceeds available thereafter, to obtain them for your account. However, before taking this action, we are sending you this letter and will appreciate, as we have already indicated, receiving the benefit of your comments and suggestions. We do not know the value at the present moment, of the 500 strawberry baskets declared by you but these

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may in themselves perhaps be sufficient to meet the claim
against you.

Yours truly,

RPA:PB

R. P. Alexander
Manager.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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out → Alexander
Grand Forks, B.C.
August 9, 1942.

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter concerning my building
Mrs Steves states Custodian to remove my house out of
her property, but at the time of my construction
I made a promise with Mrs Steves that I may
stay as long as I like, but in case I will go out
I will take my building with me.

^{you will understand} This evacuation is government affairs and
not my personal.

At the time of construction it cost me
water \$17⁰⁰ Electricity \$50⁰⁰ Building \$400⁰⁰

Building belongs to ~~me~~ me but as furniture and
inside equipment belongs to my wife what will
custodian going to do in this case?

^{don't} I prefer to sell my ^{complete} building.

Yours truly,
Isao Isumura.

Alexander

J. D. MATHER

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION

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315 METROPOLITAN BUILDING

VANCOUVER, B. C.

August 31st, 1942

The Custodian of Enemy Property,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
306 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re - TSUMURA Isao - Reg. No. 04298
Your File 1722

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter
of the 28th ultimo.

I have had the acreage referred to in
your letter examined and it would appear to be approx-
imately three-quarters of an acre.

Mrs. Ida B. Steeves has received from
Peter Procopation the sum of \$15, which she has
acknowledged in her receipt worded as follows -
"Received from Peter Procopation the sum of Fifteen
Dollars (\$15.00) being rent for the Strawberry and
Raspberry garden formerly rented to I. Tsumura.
Mr. Procopation may use the land until the end of
1942". The above amount of \$15 has been applied
to Mrs. Steeves on the rental of the land.

I would add to my recommendation as per my
report of May 11th, that this matter be handed to
T. C. King of Steveston for management on behalf of the
Custodian with authority to rent the premises after
arranging with Mrs. Steeves for continued occupation.

Yours truly,

J. D. Mather

JDM/ED

1722

3rd September, 1942.

J. D. Mather, Esq.,
315 Metropolitan Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Isao TSUMURA

Thank you very much for your letter dated August 31st. In accordance with your suggestion we are requesting Mr. T. C. King of Steveston to look into the matter.

The real estate belongs, of course, to Mrs. Steeves and Mr. Isao Tsumura owns the house which you reported to us you considered to be unrentable.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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

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PHONE STEVESTON 138

78 GEORGIA STREET

London, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
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OCT 23 1942

October 21st, 1942.

Mr. G. D. Milsom,
Administration Dept'.
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Isao TSUMURA. File #1722.

Replying to your letters of the 17th
September and the 16th October re the above.
I have this date been in contact with this Mrs.
Ida S. Steeves and after some trouble have finally
got her permission to rent this ~~property~~ house of
Tsumura's the proceeds (Net) to be applied on the
debt owing to Mrs Steeves by Tsumura which I am
given to understand is \$71.00.

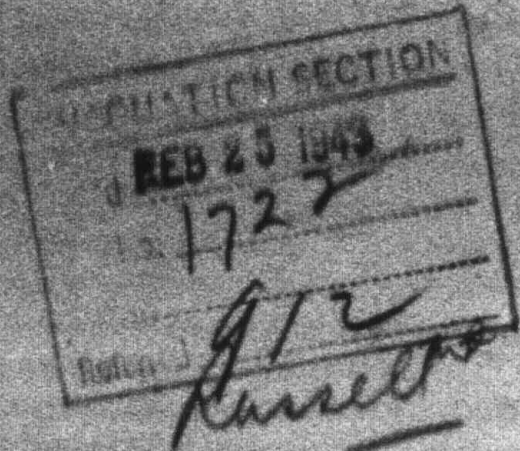
I have examined this house and I must say
that it is in a very deplorable condition, and would
in my estimation not fetch any more than \$5.00 per
month, and not then unless a person needed shelter
badly.

Mrs Steeves informed me that when last she
visited this place that it had been broken into, but
that she thought that there had not been anything
removed or taken, and she took steps to seal the place
up again.

Mrs. Steeves informed me that she had called
some time ago at your office and explained everything
and that she thought the matter was all straightened up.

Yours very truly,

Thomas C. King.



T. Mr. C. A. Penoyer
Grand Forks, B.C.,
February 25, 1943

Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Hastings and Granville Streets,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: File No. 1722.

I am in receipt of your letter of February 16th inch regarding the explanation of the sale of my truck.

I have noted by your letter of January 16th that my truck was sold at \$450⁰⁰ less Administrative expenses of \$22⁴⁰. I have, therefore, a balance of \$427⁶⁰ due me from your office.

Owing to the fact that I have not been making for about three months steady and that I have to support my wife and children, will you please be kind enough to forward me the sum

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of \$275 from the sale of my truck?

I believe I will not be working for at least another month and even so I will not be receiving my pay for a few months. As such, at present, I am greatly in need of money to support my family.

Hoping that you will forward me the money from the sale of my truck, and thanking you very much, I am

Yours very truly,

Isao Isumura

Reg. # 04298

FILE 11-112

File 172

Stevenson, B. C.
August 24, 1943.

Mr. George Roberts

Stevenson, B. C.

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Re: Lot 40 Section 35, Block 4 N. E. W. Map 790

The land is owned by Mrs. Ida B. Steves who rented to the
school in 1942, and the buildings were erected by Teachers.

Mrs. Steves has agreed to allow the Custodian to rent the
house and outbuildings and I have arranged to give tenancy
to Mrs. L. J. Thompson, Stevenson, B. C. at \$5.00 per month
plus \$1.00 water rent. The place is in very bad condition
and Mrs. Thompson is to be allowed one month's rent free
covering charges she must incur in order to make the place
habitable.

There is an item of \$7.00 due Mrs. Steves from Teachers for
rental rent and Mrs. Steves is to receive half of the rental
receipts until her due debt is liquidated.

Mrs. Thompson will take over on September 1/43. No chattels
were found in the house.

C. C. Robinson

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September 17th, 1943.

Mr. Isao TSUMURA,
Registration No. 04298,
Grand Forks, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 7th of September, 1943, asking us to pay the premium on your insurance policy, which amounts to approximately \$50.00. We cannot agree to pay this premium until the claims against you have been settled. These claims you have agreed are correct and for your information we list them herewith:-

1. Canadian Industries Ltd.....	\$ 61.69
2. Pioneer Hallock Box Co..Judgment.....	64.47
3. Mrs. Ida B. Steeves....rent.....	56.00
	<u>\$182.16</u>

Your present balance with the Custodian amounts to \$277.60, and after paying the above your balance will amount to \$95.44 which will easily take care of your Life Insurance premium.

We are paying the above claims against you and we wish you to inform us by return mail whether you wish us to pay your insurance premium from this balance of \$95.44.

Your immediate attention to this letter is requested.

Yours truly,

AMCA:ND

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.



CANADA

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO. 1722

PLEASE QUOTE BC/1078P

518 Rogers Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

October 13, 1944

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Reg'd	OCT 16 1944
File No.	1722
Ans.	<i>Heard</i>
Referred	<i>Shears</i>

F. G. Shears, Esq.,
Director, Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots 43 to 48 inclusive of Sec. 35,
Blk. 4 N. Range 7 W. Map 790, N.W.D.

I have your Mr. Milson's letter of the 12th instant in which he states, "That the Custodian has an unregistered interest in this property as the buildings on it are owned by Isao Tsamura."

The above described property has just been purchased by the Director, The Veterans' Land Act from Ida B. Steeves and the Director is now the registered owner of the said lands in indefeasible fee free from all encumbrances. The Director's title covers and includes all buildings and fixtures presently existing upon the said lands. It therefore appears that neither Isao Tsamura nor the Custodian has any legal right in respect of any existing buildings.

Without prejudice, however, and subject to what I have stated above, it is my understanding that there does exist on the said lands a small house or shack which was built by a Japanese formerly a tenant of Mrs. Steeves. Mrs. Steeves informs me that she gave no permission for the erection of the said building but intimated to the said Japanese that he might remove the building if he desired to do so at the expiry of his lease.

It appears from our file that our Appraiser did not consider the building as adding any value to the land when he made his appraisal. In these circumstances this Department would have no objection to the Custodian removing the said building if he wishes to

P.G.S.

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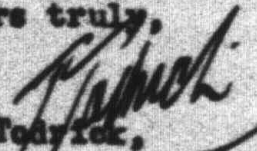
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do so. I understand your Department has been collecting rent from an occupant of the said building. I would ask that you kindly inform the present tenant, if there be one, that in future rent must be paid to this Department.

In conversation with your Mr. Milson over the telephone this morning he stated that the Custodian had been paying Mrs. Steeves ground rent in respect of the building. Mrs. Steeves says that this is not correct, any monies received by her from your Department being applied on arrears of rent owing by the Japanese tenant at the time he was evacuated.

I should be glad to be advised by you whether it is your intention to remove the building in question.

Yours truly,


T. Teasdale,
SOLICITOR, VETERANS' LAND ACT.

TT/MM

1722

Your ref. BC/10782.

20th October, 1944.

Major T. Todrick,
Soldier Settlement & Veterans' Land Act,
518 Rogers Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots 43 to 48 inclusive of
Sec. 35, Blk. 4 N. Range 7. Map 790. N.W.D.

Thank you for your letter of the 13th instant.

We note that you have no objection to the Custodian removing the building in question but it is not very feasible for this to be done and if we found a purchaser willing to remove it the purchaser would be faced with a difficulty due to the fact that the building is occupied by a tenant.

While the Japanese owner of this building may have no legal right to the property we note that its value was not considered in your appraisal.

We are wondering whether in view of the fact that there is a revenue of \$8.00 per month accruing you would make us an offer for the building. September and October rentals appear to be in arrears. We have previously received \$116.00 from September 28th, 1943.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FCS/PMB



CANADA

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO. 1722

PLEASE QUOTE BC/1078P

518 Rogers Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

October 23, 1944

F. G. Shears, Esq.,
Director, Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Rec'd	OCT 24 1944
File No.	1722
Ans.	<i>Sam</i>
Referred	

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots 43 to 48 inclusive of Sec. 35,
Blk. 4 N. Range 1W. Map 780, N.W.D.

I have your letter of the 20th instant.

Under the terms of our agreement to purchase the above described lands from Mrs. I. B. Steeves she is entitled to collect all rentals in respect of the property to the end of 1944, she in turn making payment of 1944 taxes, etc. in full.

In the result, the Director will acquire no revenue from the property this year. Consequently I would not be prepared to recommend that any offer be made for the building referred to in your letter.

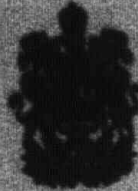
I note that you have already received \$116.00 in rents for this building and that September and October rentals appear to be owing. Since I understand that Mrs. Steeves makes no claim with regard to the building I assume that you would be entitled to continue to collect rents until the end of this year since this Department makes no claim with regard thereto.

It would appear to me that if you do this you will have received in rents considerably more than the building itself would be worth to move, as I understand from Mrs. Steeves that she has received nothing other than arrears owing by the Japanese tenant when he was evacuated.

Yours truly,

T. Todyick
T. Todyick,
SOLICITOR, VETERANS' LAND ACT

TT/MM



CANADA

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO. 1722

PLEASE QUOTE BC/1078P

518 Rogers Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

November 9th, 1944.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 10 1944
File No.	1722
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Milson</i>

Attention - Mr. G.D. Milson

The Custodian of Enemy Property,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Lots 43 to 48 incl. of Sec. 35,
Blk. 4N., R. 7W., Map 790-Richmond

In reply to your letter of October 31st I wish to advise that our Regional Supervisor reports that the shacks located on the above described property are at present vacant. He also reports that the buildings are detrimental to the property and are not worth moving to some other locality. He also states that the maximum salvage value that could be hoped for would not exceed \$50.00.

Yours truly,

I.T. Barnes,
District Superintendent

Per: *[Signature]*

AB/GW

File No. 1722

MEMORANDUM

File

To: Mr. F. G. Shears

November 18th, 1944

From: Mr. G. D. Wilson

Re: Buildings owned by Isao TSUMURA

Referring to your letters to the V.L.A. in regard to the buildings on the property which Mrs. Ida B. Steeves sold to the V.L.A., the buildings are now vacant and the V.L.A. state that the salvage value would not exceed \$50.00.

We took the matter up with our Mr. Harris and he has reported as follows:-

"I have inspected the shacks on the Steeves property with a Steveston Lumber dealer and find they are in a very poor and dilapidated condition. There is not a whole board in any building and hardly a door or window standing.

"The best responsible offer for salvage I have been able to get is from Mr. Thos. Leslie to pull down and remove the shacks and clean up the property for what ever he can get out of salvage."

In view of this I think that the best procedure would be to abandon the buildings to the V.L.A. and let them do what they please. Will you kindly advise me if this meets with your approval.

GDM/GH

*2-11-44. Request the
buildings to be removed
therefor appears necessary to
avoid the trouble of the
V.L.A.*

G. D. Wilson

GH

F. G. Shears

Nov 20, 1944

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Harris

November 20, 1944

From: Mr. Wilson

Re: Isaac THOMAS - West 1/2 of Lots
36, 37 & 38, Sec. 35, T1N, R1E,
S1/2, T1N, R1E.

Referring to your letter of November 17th,
will you kindly have the buildings on the property
demolished by Mrs. [Name] removed. It is under-
stood that this will be done at no cost to the Custodian
and the demolisher will be reimbursed from the
salvage of the buildings. Will you please see that
the wrecker does a good job and leaves the ground
properly levelled off.

Isaac THOMAS in his declaration to us
stated that he left on the premises the following
articles:-

2 Stoves	1 Sprayer
2 Captains	Shovels
1 Dresser	Hoe
Tables	2 Beds
Chairs	1 Dressing Table etc.
200 Strawberry baskets	

Will you kindly investigate and report on
the contents.

Handwritten notes:
Isaac Thomas
Nov 20/44
E. Wilson
over in
last day
a few days

NAME THURSDAY, 1944

REGISTRATION NO. 04298

FILE NO. 1722

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B. C. on December 7, 1944.

China
Glassware

\$ 1.60
1.00

Total

\$ 2.60

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee) \$0.26
(Advertising) 0.16
(Moving) 0.28

\$ 0.70

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.90

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 26

Remarks.

October 29, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mr. Isao TSUMURA
Registration No. 04298,
Grand Forks, B.C.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of
your letter of October 20, 1946.

Before evacuation you declared certain
chattels and a four room farm house. This house was rented from
September 1943 to August 1944. The property on which your house was
situated, was sold by Mrs. Steeves and we were instructed to remove
the buildings thereon. The Custodian tried to obtain a salvage price
for the tearing down of your building but we were unable to get any
offers beyond the cost of tearing down the building and clearing the
ground for the lumber involved.

The only other chattels removed from
your house were a few pieces of china. The balance was pilfered
and a report was received from Mrs. Steeves stating the buildings
had been badly ransacked and only a small amount of china salvaged
by her.

We are enclosing herewith our cheque
in the amount of \$165.03 being your entire balance with the Custodian.
We would ask you to pay your doctor's fees as mentioned in your letter.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this
cheque. We are also enclosing an up to date statement of your account.

Yours truly,

George Peters
Office of the Custodian

GP/ic
Encls (2) - cheque \$165.03
Statement of your account