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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN JAPANESE SECTION

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: MATSUMURA, Yoichi

HOME ADDRESS: Box 183, Canadian Pacific Cannery, Steveston, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 05365

SEX: Male

AGE: 22

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

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

EMPLOYER: Great West Packing Co., Steveston, B. C.

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None

AGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

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

None

EXHIBIT NO.

531-3

DATE

Aug 5/48

FILLED BY

G. A. Rice

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

None

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY
None

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

None

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

7. Fishing nets value \$1,000.00 in Canadian Pacific Net House, Steveston, B. C.

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES,

EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS.

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: *None*

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) *None*

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: *None*

None

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

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: *None*

Gannery house, living with family.

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: *Canadian Pacific Gannery, Steveston, B. C.*

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN *None*

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: *None*

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) None
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None
9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1,000.00 Sun Life Assurance Co., Vancouver, B. C.
beneficiary-Mume Matsumura Policy #220003 in owner's possession.
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 27th day of April 1942.

Q. M. M. M.
 Witness

(Signature) Y. Matsumura

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

✓
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

January 6/44
Apr. 27/43.

Our File No.

6546

Full Name

MATSUMURA Veikichi
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

03365

Male - Female
(check)

Age

Feb. 4, 1920

Former Address

Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated

May 15/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Lethbridge, Alta.
Inver

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

(nee) Ume
(KOJIMA)

Name of Father

Matsujiro (Heid)

Names of Children under 16

#03438

Requested by

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

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(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name MR. YEIKICHI MATSUMURA

File No. 6546

% M. Bilcik, Box 50, Turin ave, Alta Reg. No. 03365

Company Sun Life Insurance Co.

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2220003

Premium - \$50.00

Payable: ^X Annually, Semi-annually or monthly

Month September Day 1st

REMARKS:

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Letter sent 28/8/43

13 May 48

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

CLAIMANT Yeikichi MATSUMURA Regn No 03365
 Former Address Steveston, B.C.

REFERENCESHISTORY

JP Matsumura declared 7 fishing nets to the value of \$1000. as being total possessions (both Real and Personal) when registering 27 Apr 42. He was evacuated 15 May 42.

PP.1 A net statement received 23 Feb 43 by Cstdn lists 13 nets in detail. The file does not reveal whether this statement was requested by the Custodian, and the only clue to its origin is contained in Cstdn letter 3 Jul 44. (Value of nets \$1150.00)

PP.2 Cstdn letter 9 Jun 44 to BC Sec Comm enclosed copy of net statement dated 14 Jan 44 -- this information obviously having been given to Matsumura by the BC Sec Comm.

PP.3 Matsumura letter 21 Jun 44 lists nets (13 as per PP.1), noting those sold and the balance unaccounted for. He requests Cstdn to sell same.

PP.4 Cstdn letter 3 Jul 44 to Matsumura notes all nets found were sold, also notes that original declaration of 7 nets has been boosted by Matsumura to 13. Letter states "...there is nothing that can be done about those that were missing."

xxx.

The file does not reveal whether an agent of the Custodian ever inventoried the nets, nor does it provide the information as to whether the nets were removed from the Cannery to Custodian custody. Custodian Net Cards were created for 9 nets, but inspection of these cards reveals obvious confusion in regard to size of net, value, and more to the point -- the correct ownership, that it is considered that quoting on the summary of pencilled notations inscribed thereon would be more confusing than helpful.

JC/..

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

		DR	CR	BAL
15 Mar 43	Trans. from #4 Account Fishing Gear \$12.00			
	Cstdn #16 \$130.00, #1143 \$35.00		177.	
24 Jul 43	Trans. from #4 Account net #52		135.	
17 Apr 45	Ck Personal Use	312.		
	BAL. AS AT 13 May 48	\$ 312.00	312.00	0

Name of Owner:

Registration No.:

Address:

YEIKICHI MATSUMURA
03365

P.O. Box 50 TURIN

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 23 1943
Ans.	ML
Referred	912

ALTA

FISHING NET INVENTORY

1. Place of Storage STEVESTON C.P.C. NET HOUSE

(a) In whose care B.C. PACKERS

(b) Whereabouts of key (if any) C.P.C.

CARETAKER.

2. Description of nets as follows:

(YEARS.)	Type	Mesh	Ply	Meshes Depth	Fathom Length	Valuation	Any other marks of identification	TAG No.
1 1/2	4/12	6"	4/40	50	150	\$135.00	Imperial No 11	135.00
2	"	5 3/4	5/50	50	150	100.00		15
1	"	7	6/50	45	150	160.00	1157-	16+ 130.00
2	"	7	6/50	45	50	25.00	1765-	21
1	"	5 3/8	5/50	50	100	98.00	1143-	22 35.00
1	"	5 7/8	5/50	50	150	140.00	17612-	24
2	"	7 1/2	5/40	60	150	140.00	1160-	25
2	"	7 3/8	5/40	45	30	10.00		26
2	"	6 1/2	5/40	60	50	20.00	1144-	27
1 1/2	"	5 5/8	4/40	50	50	20.00	1766?	28
2	"	6 1/2	5/40	50	35	18.00	+	29 12.00
1	"	5 1/2	5/50	50	150	150.00	1147-	30
1	"	5 1/4	4/40	55	150	140.00	1179-	32

N. B. Please do not exaggerate fathom length or valuation, as this will only make it harder to identify your nets, and to credit any money received from their sale to their rightful owners.

Noted on net cards

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: March 27, 1942

Name: MATSUMURA, Eikichi

Reg. No. 03365

File: 6546

Boat File No.: JFVDC 209

Name of Vessel: "Snow White" 31'x7'3"x3'2" (1935) Easthope 10 HP
"E.M."

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2566

Naval No.: NW.025-C

Owner's Valuation: \$1,000.00

JFVDC Valuation: 748.00 - Survey #216

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: March 26, 1942

Purchaser: Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$850.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~and Custodian~~: 850.00

Supervision Costs: 11.00

Balance due Owner: 839.00

Paid to: Y. Matsumura on March 30, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #63: Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd. - \$22.85

Additional Information:

COPY

File No. 6544, 6546, 897.

9th March, 1943.

MEMORANDUM: To the Accounting Dept.

From Miss Sullivan.

Re: Fishing Nets.

Will you kindly make the following alterations
on your records. Transfer:

Custodian No.: Posted Feb. 9th.	Custodian No.: 16
Sold for: \$12.00	Sold for: \$130.00
From file No.: 6544	From file No.: 6544
To file No.: 6546	To file No.: 6546

Custodian No.: 1145	Custodian No.: 1143
Sold for: \$140.00	Sold for: \$35.00
From file No.: 6544	From file No.: 6544
To file No.: 897	To file No.: 6546

Custodian No.: 1152	Custodian No.: 1158
Sold for: \$50.00	Sold for: \$25.00
From file No.: 6544	From file No.: 6544
To file No.: 897	To file No.: 897

Custodian No.: (1160) *1157*
Sold for: \$85.00
From file No.: 6544
To file No.: 6546

MS/mf

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA
HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL

SECTION	COPY
JUL 7 1943	
6546	
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Referred	<i>K. H. H.</i>

sent to Mr. H.J. Collier.

sent to the Office of the Custodian

Attention: Mr. S.M. Gibson

June 20th. 1943.

Mr. Hikichi Matsumura,
c/o M. Hileik,
Box 10,
Edmonton, Alberta.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Mr. Matsumura:

Re: Policy No. S.230,000

We have received Mr. H.J. Collier's letter of June 20th. and so that you may obtain the Cash Surrender value of your policy will you please complete and return the attached application together with the policy itself.

In completing the application, you will sign where marked "Assured" and your mother will sign as Miss Matsumura where marked "Beneficiary". Both signatures must be witnessed by someone outside the family and of course the application is to be dated.

When the completed form and policy are received by us they will be sent to our Head Office and about two weeks later you may expect to receive a cheque in settlement. We calculate the surrender value as being about \$20,000.

Yours faithfully,

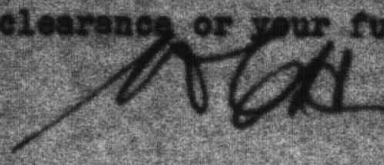
C. E. HAY

BRANCH SECRETARY

Per:

VCH:FW
Encl. 1.

Application for Cash Surrender Value to our Head Office
July 3, 1943. Please let us have a clearance or your further instructions.



COPY

EXAMINATION SECTION
Rec'd JUL 17 1943
File No. 6546
Ans.
Refused

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Lethbridge Alta.
July 6th 1943.

Mr. M.L. Brown, Office Manager, Vancouver, B.C.

Re Yeikichi MATSUMURA #03365

Some time ago above named submitted lists of fishing nets for sale, and it would be appreciated if you would ascertain whether these have been sold, and what are the present credits and present outstanding balance in favour of the above named,

"A.E. Russell"

Encl July 16/43

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14th July, 1943.

Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Policy No. 2,220,003

-Eikichi MATSUMURA-

We are in receipt of copy of your letter dated June 28th
addressed to the above named.

We wish to advise that we have no objection to your making
payment of the Cash Surrender Value of the above numbered policy, the
amount of which we understand will be approximately \$200.00.

Will you kindly forward cheque directed to your policyholder
through this office.

Yours very truly,

S.M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:FM

Beneficiary under the above numbered policy
is Mme MATSUMURA, Mother of the Assured,
(File 6545).

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA
HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL

COPY

EVACUATION ST. 11	
Rec'd.	JUL 16 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

July 15, 1943.

Mr. Shichi Matsumura,
c/o M. Bileik,
Box 80,
TWIN, ALTA.

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Dear Mr. Matsumura:

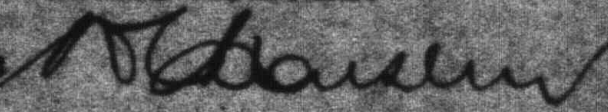
Re: Policy No. 2,220,003.

We are, today, sending our cheque in favour of yourself and your mother, covering the cash surrender value of this policy, in the amount of \$199.77, to the office of the custodian here. This amount is in full settlement of all claims under this policy. You may expect to receive the cheque shortly.

Yours faithfully,

G. E. HAY,
BRANCH SECRETARY.

Per:



WCH/SP

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July 19, 1943.

Mr. Eikichi Matsumura,
c/o E. Bilcik,
Box 50,
TUPIN, ALTA.

Dear Sir:

Re: Policy No. 2220003

Kindly find attached hereto cheque from the Sun
Life Assurance Company of Canada in the amount of \$199.77 cov-
ering the cash surrender on the above numbered policy.

Yours truly,

S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:JS

Encl.

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July 21, 1943.

B. C. Security Commission,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. M. L. Brown

Dear Sir: Re: Yoichi MATSUMURA, #03365

In reply to your letter dated July 6th from
your Alberta representative re the above named, we would
advise you as follows:

His credit balance with the Custodian to
date is \$312.00, comprised of fishing net sales as listed
below.

<u>Cust. No.</u>	<u>His No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1157	16	6/50 x 7 x 45 - 150	\$130.00
1143	22	5/50 x 5 x 50 - 100	35.00
Direct to	(11	4/40 x 6 x 50 - 150	135.00
Cannery	(29	5/40 x 6 x 50 - 35	12.00

Trusting the above is the information desired,
we remain,

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

/ns

MATSUMURA, Yeikichi,
 Registration No. 03365,
 File No. 6546.

January 14, 1944.

NET STATEMENT

<u>Cust. No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Japanese Value</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>
1144✓	5/40 x 6½ x 60 - 50	\$ 20.00	\$ 12.00
1157✓	6/50 x 7 x 45 - 150	160.00	130.00
1143✓	5/59 x 5½ x 50 - 100	95.00	35.00
Cannery	4/40 x 6 x 50 - 150	135.00	135.00
TOTAL SALES.....			\$312.00

UNACCOUNTED FOR

	5/50 x 5½ x 50 - 150	\$100.00
	5/40 x 7½ x 45 - 30	10.00
1766 x	4/40 x 5½ x 50 - 50	20.00
1147 x	5/50 x 5½ x 50 - 150	150.00
1765 x	6/50 x 7 x 45 - 50	25.00

x Never removed to Custodian Storage in final inventory.
 Left in the Canadian Pacific Net House (B. C. Packers').

(#1160 - 5/40 x 7½ x 60 - 150 sold direct to Y.M.)



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Rec'd	JUN 5 1944
File No.	6546
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Daunt</i>
	<i>Green</i>

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
June 3rd 1944

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

Dear Sir,

Re Yeikichi MATSUMURA #03365

We enclose herewith copy of a letter
received from the above named requesting a
report regarding the sale of rowboat, fishing
nets etc.,

Yours truly,

M.L. Brown
Office Manager.

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P
Y

P.O. Box 50
Turin, Alta.
May 30/44

Dear Sir,

Will you please give me the full
"sales report" on fishing nets and rowboat
etc, up to this date.

I thank you.

Yours truly,

(sgd) Yeikichi Matsumura

Reg #03365
File #6546

c/o John Biluk,
p/o Box 50
Turin, Alta.

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June 9th, 1944.

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

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Keikichi MATSUMURA--Reg. No. 03365

As requested in the enclosure to
yours of June 3rd, we are sending you herewith
for reference to the owner, a statement of nets
disposed of on his behalf with particulars of
the proceeds. *See Jan. 14 1944*

Yours truly

H. F. Green
Protection Department

Enc.
HFG:IF

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July 3rd, 1944.

Mr. Yeikichi MATSUMURA,
Reg. No. 03365,
P. O. Box 50,
Turin, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

We have received via the B. C. Security Commission your letter of June 21st making further enquiries about your nets. We regret that we have no more information to give you other than that already enclosed with our letter of June 9th. Your original declaration on April 27th, 1942, only gave seven fishing nets and of these we were only able to find and sell four. In 1943 you listed in greater detail thirteen fishing nets which you claimed to have left behind, but some of which we feel sure you must yourself have disposed of between the date of registration on April 27th and your evacuation in May. The B. C. Packers refused to take any responsibility for nets left in their net houses and while, therefore, we removed and sold all we could find, there is nothing that can be done about those that were missing.

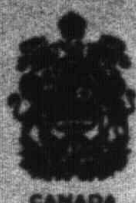
Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

DEPARTMENT OF

LABOUR



CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

JUN 27 1944

Rec'd

File No.

Ans.

Reference

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B. C.

26th June 1944.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Yeikichi Matsumura
Reg. No. 03365
Your File No. 6546

We enclose herewith letter received from
the above-named, which deals in detail with his fishing
nets.

Yours truly,

M. L. Brown,
Office Manager

MLB/GM
Enc.

Direct to Japan - no record

Reg No. 03365
File No. 6546

Yukichi Matsumura

P.O. Box 50

Durham Alta

June 21, 44

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Brown

Dear Sir:-

Received your letter to-day:

$\frac{5}{40} \times 6\frac{1}{2} \times 60 - 50$	\$12.00
$\frac{5}{50} \times 7 \times 45 - 150$	130.00
$\frac{5}{50} \times 5\frac{3}{4} \times 50 - 100$	35.00
$\frac{4}{40} \times 6 \times 50 - 150$	135.00
Total sales	\$312.00



Unaccounted for:

$\frac{5}{50} \times 5\frac{3}{4} \times 50 - 150$	\$100.00
$\frac{5}{40} \times 7\frac{3}{4} \times 45 - 50$	10.00
$\frac{4}{40} \times 5\frac{3}{4} \times 50 - 50$	20.00
$\frac{5}{50} \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 50 - 150$	150.00
$\frac{4}{50} \times 7 \times 45 - 50$	25.00

There is 3 more nets: (listed below)

$\frac{5}{50} \times 5\frac{3}{4} \times 50 - 150$	\$140.00
$\frac{5}{40} \times 6\frac{1}{2} \times 60 - 50$	20.00
$\frac{4}{40} \times 5\frac{1}{4} \times 55 - 150$	140.00

There is one more net:

1160 - $\frac{5}{40} \times 7\frac{1}{2} \times 60 - 150$... \$140.00 sold by (Y.M.)

I never sold this net No 1160 so please make a correction:

Will you please sell all my nets which are not sold, and send me the sales report.

I thank you
Yours Truly
Yukichi Matsumura

File No 6546:

REG. NO 03345

Dear Sir:-

EVACUATION SECTION	
RECD APR 9 1945	
File No. 6546	
Ans. 18/4	
Referred David Green	

To Fred Romanachuk
Durin Alta.
April 12, 45.

Will you kindly send all the money, which have been sold up till to-day, that is all under my name.

I need that money badly, for I'm getting married this summer.

So will you kindly send me that money at your earliest convenience
I thank you.

Yours Truly
Y. Matsumura

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IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.M. EDMANSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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Lethbridge, Alberta,

August 5th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
YUKIICHI MATSUMURA.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. HIGH, Esq., K.C.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government.

W.E. HUCKVALE, Esq.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,

Secretary.

MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD,

Official Interpreter.

S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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Y. Matsumura,
In Chief.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 531, Yeikichi Matsumura.

YEIKICHI MATSUMURA, the claimant herein,
being first duly sworn,
testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. HUCKVALE:

- Q Will you speak up, Mr. Matsumura, so that we
can all hear you?
- A All right.
- Q Now, Mr. Matsumura, you were a fisherman in
10 British Columbia? A: Yes.
- Q And your claim is for fish nets only?
- A Yes.
- Q And you have given in your original claim a com-
plete list of the nets for which you are claiming?
- A Yes, sir.
- Q And opposite the first four items you have given
your own valuation? A: Yes.
- Q And the amount for which the Custodian sold?
- A Yes.
- 20 Q Is that correct? A: Yes.
- Q Now will you look at this form, please (indicating)?
Does that form cover all the fish nets for which
you are claiming? A: Yes.
- Q And have you read it over?
- A Yes.
- Q Have you signed it? A: Yes.
- Q And is it true to the best of your knowledge,
recollection and belief?
- 30 A Yes.

Q Now all these nets, I think, with one exception,
were what is known as Barbour manufacture?

A Yes.

Q And the last one is a Kingfish manufacture, is
that right? A: Yes.

MR. HUCKVALD: I tender that form, sir.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. HUCKVALD: Q I think that is all, Mr. Matsumura.

10 Will you answer Mr. Rice, please?

MR. RICE: I will put in the analysis of personal
property.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. RICE: May it please your Honour, we submit that
the nets which were sold by the Custodian were
sold for their fair value and the nets that were
not declared, then the Custodian is not responsible
for the same as they were turned over to some other
person than the Custodian, and any claim that
20 has been placed against the Custodian that
the Custodian might be responsible for is un-
reasonable so far as the price of these nets is
concerned.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q Where did you leave the nets?

A In Steveston.

Q Whereabouts there? A: The
Canadian Pacific Warehouse.

Q You turned them over to the Canadian Pacific
30 Warehouse? A: Yes.

Q You declared only 7 nets, I believe?

A Yes.

Q And you are now claiming for nine. This list shows nine nets here? A: Yes.

Q And you originally declared in your declaration of loss or your registration, at least, you stated that you had 7 nets. I will show you that document (indicating). I will show you the J.P. form, and is that your signature on it?

10 A Yes.

Q Dated the 27th of April, 1942?

A Yes.

Q And in this form under the statement of personal property owned you say in (1) "7 fishing nets value \$1,000.00"?

A Yes.

Q Now is it you have it as nine now?

A It is nine.

Q And you understand all that, do you? If there is anything you don't understand be sure and say so and we will help you out.

20 A Yes, all right.

MR. RICE: I would like that marked as an exhibit, sir.
(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. RICE: Q: You say you left your nets with the Canadian Pacific Cannery? A: Yes.

MR. HUCKVALE: It is stated right on your analysis.

MR. RICE: Well I want to get it from him.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Did he explain why the

30 original declaration was 7 and he is now claiming

nine to you?

MR. RICE: No.

MR. HUCKVALE: I will ask him about that.

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. HUCKVALE:

Q You have seen that form that Mr. Rice showed you where you stated 7 nets?

A Yes.

Q Why are you now claiming nine?

10 A Well, I had nine and I am claiming for nine.

Q When you left why did you declare only 7?

A Well I made a mistake.

Q But you are positive you left 9 nets in this particular warehouse?

A: Yes.

Q Did anybody instruct you to leave them in that warehouse?

A: Yes.

Q Who? A: The caretaker.

Q The caretaker of the warehouse?

A Yes.

20 Q Now I want to show you a letter from the Custodian dated the 3rd of July, 1944. Would you read that, please?

A: Yes.

Q That mentions 13 nets, doesn't it?

A Yes.

Q Now how many nets did you leave in the warehouse?

A 13, but I sold some before I came out.

Q How many did you sell?

A I sold four.

Q So that you have nine left in the warehouse?

30 A Yes.

Y. Matsumura,
Discussion.
Re-Direct Exam.
Re-Cross Exam.

MR. HUCKVALE: I will put that letter in, sir.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. HUCKVALE: Q: Now I want to show you a copy of a letter written by the Custodian to the B.C. Security Commission on the 21st of July, 1943. Did you get a copy of that?

A Yes.

Q You recognize that? A: Yes.

10 Q And that shows, does it not, that some of those nets were sold directly by the Custodian to this particular cannery, is that right?

A Right.

MR. HUCKVALE: I will put that in, too, sir.

(COPY OF LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

RE-CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q Have I got this right, that you originally took 13 nets to the cannery?

A Yes.

20 Q And then you went and sold four of them yourself?

A Yes.

Q And you left the others there? A: Yes.

Q How long after you left your nets there was it before you sold four of them?

A About 2 years, one or two.

Q One or two years? A: Yes.

Q And then you sold four of them yourself?

A I sold four before I came out.

30 Q I mean, you say you put 13 nets or left 13 nets with the cannery?

T. Matsumura,
Re-Cross Exam.

A Yes.

Q How long was it before you sold four of them, or how long after, at least, was it that you sold four of them?

A Oh, about a week.

Q A week later you sold four of them?

A Yes.

Q And you could have, if you had a chance, you would have sold the whole 13 of them, would you?

10 A Yes.

Q While they were in the cannery? A Yes.

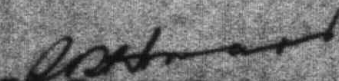
THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is that all?

MR. HUCKVALE: That is all, thank you, sir.

(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.

DEFENCE BRIEF

Yekichi MATSUMURA

File No. 6546

Case No. 531

LETHBRIDGE

5 August 1948

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

Claim Nets

\$715.

Sold by Tender for.

\$312.

Claimant stated that he turned his Nets over to the Canadian Pacific Warehouse in Steveston. He states that he left 13 Nets at the cannery of which he had sold four. He only declared 7 Nets on his J.P. Form.

Custodian removed and sold all the Nets he could find at the Cannery.

4 Nets value \$410. Sold by Tender for \$312.

5 Nets value \$305. Missing (3 only declared)

\$715.

It is submitted that the nets which were sold by the Custodian were sold for their fair value and the nets that were not declared then the Custodian is not responsible for same as they were turned over to some other person than the Custodian, and any claim that has been placed against the Custodian, that the Custodian might be responsible for, is unreasonable so far as the prices of these nets is concerned.

BMP/mw

Name of Claimant MATSUMURA, Yedkichi

Case 531

Custodian File 6546

REAL PROPERTY											Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village				
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Amount Total			
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 & 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	
							410.00 305.00		300.50	312.00	188.50
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	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price				
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION											188.50

November 16th, 1950.

Mr. Teikichi MATSUMURA,
P. O. Box 28,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 531

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ...

\$188.50.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee ..

\$177.60

\$ 10.90

for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

FCS/jc
1 encl.

F.G. Shears
Director