

11261

PERSONAL

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK

FILE No. 11261

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: TSUGIYA, Henry Kaname

HOME ADDRESS: Now at Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C.

From 235 E. Hastings St., Vancouver, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 10838

SEX: male

AGE: 29

OCCUPATION: Fish Packer

(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? no

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN:

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN:

AGE OF CHILDREN:

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

See original in file
Dearyard Copy

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS:

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST:

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Now in Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C.

steps at Empress Hotel, 235 E. Hastings St., when in town.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: unknown.

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

\$12. per week. Paid to date.

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

One 60 ft. seine boat ("Hattie No. 7") which is now regulated

by the Navy. O.N. 170423. Registry No.

One 29 ft. Gas boat in the custody of the Navy at Skeena River, B. C.

("Miner") License No. 6101.

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

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

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: _____

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: _____

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) _____

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
One \$50. Victory Bond of the 1941 issue. In possession of Mother
(Tsujii) at Revelstoke, B. C.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____

9. LIFE INSURANCE \$5,000. Manufacturer's Life Insurance Co., Vancouver, B. C.
Benef. brother (George Kasuo). Policy no. unknown. 20 year
endowment. Premiums paid to date. Policy in owner's possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: _____

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: _____

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: _____

2. TRADE DEBTS. Declarant owes about \$3,000. to the Atlas Diesel
Engines, 1927 W. Georgia St., Vancouver, B. C.
Intends to pay debt by the chartered rates off the Regulated
Vessel "Hatta No. 7". (Less living expense).

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 9th day of July 1942

(Signature) H. K. Kuchiyu

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Sent. 21/43

Our File No. 11261

Full Name TSUCHIYA, Harry Kaname
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10838

☒ Male - Female
(Check)

Age Feb. 15/13

Former Address 881 Union St., Vancouver, B. C.

Date Evacuated July 27/42.

Naturalized - ☒ Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Kaslo, B. C.

27/11/45 450 Burrows Ave, Winnipeg, Man.

☒ Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother (ASAHINA) Tsugi #10836 Name of Father Ha ime #12141

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by E. C. T.

Registered with Custodian -Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fish Packer owner of boat "Hatta V"

108/8

C L A I M

File No. 11261

DATE

28th Oct. 1941

CREDITOR

B. C. Packers Ltd.

DEBTOR

Harry Tsuchiya

AMOUNT OWING

\$88.26 -

AGENT

Nil.

ORIGINAL FILE

Details of this claim shown on ^{Statement} letter of Edmunds & Walker, dated
28th Oct. 1941, filed
in this file.

CLAIM

File No. 11261

DATE

Dec. 18, 1942.

CREDITOR

Standard Oil Co. of B.C. Ltd.

DEBTOR

Harry TSUCHIYA
881 Union St.,
City.

AMOUNT OWING

\$3.00

(Boat "Eicho")

AGENT

ORIGINAL FILE

January 4, 1943

C 684

J. Hale

EB

CLAIM

File No. 11261

DATE

December 18, 1942.

CREDITOR

Standard Oil Co. of B.C. Ltd.

DEBTOR

Harry TSUCHIYA
881 Union St.,
City.

AMOUNT OWING

\$256.00 _

AGENT

Boat: "Lansoma"

ORIGINAL FILE

January 4, 1943.

G 68-X

J. Hale

E.B.

C L A I M

File No. 11261

DATE

February 12th, 1943.

CREDITOR

Western Leckie Ltd.

DEBTOR

Harry K. Tsuchiya
881 Union St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

AMOUNT OWING

\$295.12 —

AGENT

Nil.

ORIGINAL FILE

G-68

(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Harry Kaname Tsuchiya

File No. 11261

Reg. No.

Company Manufactures Life Ins. Co. Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 732,801

Premium - \$53.00

Payable: Annually, Semi-annually or monthly

Month December Day 9

REMARKS:

June 24, 1948

MEMORANDUM

Re: M.V. "Miney", Vancouver 6101

In April, 1942, M.O.W. Phillipson, appraiser for the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal visited Cassiar Cannery and reported:

HELLEN V 015V

Boat new -

Engine new - Frisco St. 5

Value 1942 - Nil

Boat on beach for some time. Very old boat and engine. No value.

(See Prince Rupert Survey #79)

.....
June 25, 1942, letter from Cdr. A.H. Reed, R.C.N.R., Naval Officer in Charge, Prince Rupert to Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee lists under heading "In the Skeena and NOT in Custody of Navy" the following:

"HELLEN" V 015V

..L.....

"V 015V" was the Naval Control Number issued to M. Fukuda for the M.V. "Miney"

.....
Information received from Mr. Harry Kanime Tsuchiya at the time of his visit to the Custodian's office in October, 1943, was that the "Miney" had been taken as part payment of the boat "Miney II" when that boat was sold to M. Fukuda; and that the "Miney" had been leased by the father of Mr. Harry Tsuchiya to a Japanese (name unknown) who had taken her to Cassiar Cannery, Skeena River.

.....
On this file is letter of November 23, 1943, from Cassiar Packing Co. Ltd. regarding a vessel understood to have been named the "Hellen", left at Cassiar by a Japanese named Nitta, some time before the seizure of Japanese-owned boats. Boat at that time was not in seaworthy shape and leaking badly. When boats were seized this boat obviously in very poor shape and no attempt made by Navy to remove boat from beach. At time of letter boat could not be found, possibly floated off beach by high tide.

.....
On Sept. 28, 1942, John Gould, boat appraiser for the Custodian, visited Cassiar Cannery. He did not find the "Miney" or "Hellen" there.

/m

Smackman

1. National Harbours Board filed a claim dated 21st December 1941, for work done at 2nd February 1942, in respect to shavings of four boats. The claimant's name appears on the invoice, which bears a general notation of H. Tsuchiya, and might refer to either father or son. The son told the Executive Supervisor to refer this claim to the father. This was done on 1st March 1942. No reply was received.

2. Eastern Lumber Co. filed a claim against Harry K. Tsuchiya on 15th February 1943 for \$254.12. On his visit to this office 2nd November 1943, this claim was brought to his attention, and it was his belief that it had been settled by the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee. On 6th November 1943 Eastern Lumber advised us that it had not been settled. No further correspondence as to this claim is on file.

3. A claim of \$13.75 against Harry K. Tsuchiya was filed by the Japanese's "Occupation Board". The debt was admitted and paid on 10th November 1943.

4. Mr. Michi Saito on 21st April 1943 filed a claim for \$29.10 against Hajime Tsuchiya. This was reported for confirmation to Mr. Tsuchiya on 10th April 1943 and he replied on 25th May 1943 that he had no knowledge of the claimant. The denial was reported to Mr. Saito on the 3rd June 1943, and no reply received from him.

5. In JF Declaration Large Summons declared a claim of \$1,000.00 on being hit by Hajime Tsuchiya. Mr. Tsuchiya in a letter of 25th May 1943 denied the claim, stating that "Mr. Large Summons is just an acquaintance with whom I have never had any business dealings." This denial of claim was reported to Mr. Summons on 3rd June 1943. There is no record of a reply.

ADMITTED CLAIMS

The following liabilities have been admitted by Harry K. Tsuchiya:

1. H. Furuya Co. Ltd.	\$ 1736.53
2. H. G. Fashers	88.26
3. Eastern Lumber Ltd.	254.12
	\$ 2079.91

Ledger credit 10th April 1947 of \$1706.26 will permit settlement per rate of \$1.3 cents on the dollar.

The following claims are denied by Harry K. Tsuchiya and neither denied nor admitted by Hajime Tsuchiya.

1. Standard Oil of B. C.	\$ 3.00
2. Standard Oil of B. C.	256.00
3. National Harbours Board	14.22
	\$ 273.22

The following claims against Hajime Tsuchiya have been denied.

1. Mr. Michi Saito	\$ 29.10
2. Large Summons	1000.00
	\$ 1029.10

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

John H. Thompson

DATE: April 14th, 1947.
File

File No. 11251.

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

June 3rd. 1943.

Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA - Reg. No. 10838

(Son of Hajime TSUCHIYA, File No. 737)

CREDITORS:

1. Workmen's Compensation Board
(See letter 17 June '42 and
reply of 19th June, '42)

\$53.75

Paid
*Debit credit this
under claim paid*

2. J. H. Todd & Sons

\$3,120.55

3. M. Furuya Co.
(Taken from File #737)

1,738.53

4. B. G. Packers
(Edmunds & Walker)

58.26

*Debit credit this
under claim paid*

5. Standard Oil of B. C.
(Boat "Eicho")

3.00

under bond of the owner

6. Standard Oil of B. C.
(Boat "Sanghwa")

256.00

*Transferred to claim that
was submitted this
1st of July from the
claimant*

7. Western Leckie Ltd.

295.12

2360.91

AMOUNT

Sub. to

7059/c

11251
11251
11251
11251

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944
Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime Reg. No. 10838 File: 11261
Boat File No.: JFVDC 38
Name of Vessel: "Bethune" 43'x13.6x5' (1908) Frisco Standard 30 HP (1941)
Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 150,314
Naval No.: V.081-D
Owner's Valuation: \$1,600.00
JFVDC Valuation: None
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: January 22, 1942.
Purchaser: J. H. Todd & Sons Ltd.
Signature on Sales Papers: Harry Kanime TSUCHIYA
Selling Price: \$1,440.00
Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: For details of sale and disbursement of monies
see memo on "Hatta II"
Supervision Costs:
Balance due Owner:
Paid to:
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:
Damage & Loss Claim #7, paid to H.K. Tsuchiya on June 19, 1942
- \$73.25
Additional Information: Sales papers covered four boats: "Hatta II"
"Hatta III"
"Hatta VIII"
"Bethune"
at a total price of \$14,490.00

J. H. Todd

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944

Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime

Reg. No. 10838

File: 11261

Boat File No.: JFVDC #38

Name of Vessel: "Hatta VIII" 43'x12.9'x6.3' (1940) Standard 40 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 172,347

Naval No.: None

Owner's Valuation: \$6,000.00

JFVDC Valuation: None

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: January 22, 1942

Purchaser: J. H. Todd & Sons Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: Harry Kanime TSUCHIYA

Selling Price: \$5,400.00

Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: For details of sale and disbursement of monies see memo on "Hatta II".

Supervision Costs:

Balance due Owner:

Paid to:

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.: Sales papers covered four boats: "Hatta II"
"Hatta III"
"Hatta VIII"
"Bethune"

No claim

Additional Information:

Bm

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944
Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime Reg. No. 10838 File: 11261
Boat File No.: JFVDC 338
Name of Vessel: "Hatta III" 44'x13.4'x7.15'(1936) Nippatsu Diesel 50 HP
Lic. or Reg. No.: vancouver 158,922
Naval No.: V.080-D
Owner's Valuation: \$6,500.00
JFVDC Valuation: None
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: January 22, 1942.
Purchaser: J. H. Todd & Sons Ltd.
Signature on Sales Papers: Harry Kanime TSUCHIYA
Selling Price: \$4,500.00 (Hull only)
Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: See memo dealing with "Hatta II" for details of sale and disbursement of monies.
Supervision Costs:
Balance due Owner:
Paid to:
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster
Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information: Sales agreement covered four boats "Hatta II"
"Hatta III"
"Hatta VIII"
"Bethune"

J. H. Todd

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944

Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime

Reg. No. 10836

File: 11261

Boat File No.: JFVDC 38

Name of Vessel: "Hatta II" 37.5'x11.4'x6' (1934) Atlas Imperial Diesel 30 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 158, 551

Naval No.: N.023-B

Owner's Valuation: \$3,500.00

JFVDC Valuation: None

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: January 22, 1942

Purchaser: J.H. Todd & Sons Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: Harry Kanime TSUCHIYA

Selling Price: \$3,150.00

This sale covered four boats.
The total selling price of the
four was \$14,490.00.

Paid to JFVDC or Custodian:

Supervision Costs:

The supervision charge on these
boats totaled \$144.90

Balance due Owner:

See statement below:

Paid to:

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information: Four boats; "Hatta II", "Hatta III", "Hatta VIII"
and "Bethune" sold for a total of \$14,490.00, dis-
bursed as follows:

Held back by Purchaser 25% as per sales agreement	-	\$3,622.50
Sheriff County of Vancouver (Active Trading Co.)	-	171.77
Edw. Lipsett Ltd. Mortgage on Hatta II & Bethune	-	4,586.59
K. Shimatakahara (Bethune)	-	2,240.00
B. C. Packers Ltd. (Hatta VIII)		523.69
Standard Oil Co. of B. C.		489.63
JFVDC Commission & Survey Charges		144.90
H. K. TSUCHIYA on March 31, 1942		<u>2,710.92</u>

\$14,490.00

J. M. Harrison

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944

Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime

Reg. No. 10838

File: 11261

Boat File No.: JFVDC #78

Name of Vessel: "Hatta V" Van. 170,423, 46.4'x13.85'x7.2' (1927) Atlas Imperia
Diesel 60 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 170,423 (N.44A)

Naval No.: None

Owner's Valuation: \$10,000.00

JFVDC Valuation: None

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: ~~January~~ March 21, 1942

Purchaser: Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$8,171.00

Canadian Fishing Co 2,697.75

Mortgage & Interest

Paid to JFVDC ~~of~~ ~~EXCESSIVE~~ \$5,473.25

Supervision Costs: 86.71

Balance due Owner: \$5,386.54

Paid to: See statement below

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claims 43 & 43a-Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd. \$254.82 (Paid)

Additional Information:

The balance of \$5,386.54 was disbursed as follows:

Canadian Net & Twine	\$1,427.84
T. Tanaka	3,500.00
H.K. Tsuchiya Apr. 2, 1942	458.70

Maclean

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944
Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime Reg. No. 10836 File: 11261
Boat File No.: JFVDC #895
Name of Vessel: "Hatta VII" 51.2'x 14.4'x7.9' (1939) Atlas Imperial Diesel 65 HP
Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 171,798 (N.43A)
Naval No.: None
Owner's Valuation: \$13,500.00
JFVDC Valuation: None
LLOYD'S VALUATION: \$10,250.00
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: Requisitioned - Invoiced Sept. 24, 1942
Purchaser: Dept. of Munitions & Supply (Naval Service)
Signature on Sales Papers: No copy
Selling Price: \$10,250.00
Paid to JFVDC ~~on Custodian~~ \$10,250.00
Supervision Costs: \$107.50
Balance due Owner: ~~\$10,142.50~~ \$10,142.50
Paid to: See disbursement below
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster
Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information: Balance of \$10,142.50 disbursed as follows:

Nov. 20, 1942 - Harry K. Tsuchiya	\$5,338.70
Oct. 20, 1942 - Canadian Atlas Diesel Engines	2,790.27
Custodian, Acct. of File 10838	1,738.53
Repairs Charged by Naval Service	275.00

F. W. Watson

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 25, 1944

Name: TSUCHIYA, Harry Kanime

Reg. No. 10838

File: 11261

Boat File No.: Custodian Boat #11261

Name of Vessel: "Miney" or "Hellen" 27'x6'10"x4'6", Frisco Standard 5 BHP

Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 6101 as "Miney" H.K. Tsuchiya, owner.

Naval No.: V.015-V as "Miney" M. Fukuda, owner
Lic. # 3278

Owner's Valuation: Unknown

JFVDC Valuation: Boat on beach for some time. Very old boat and engine- no value - Survey PR#79

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: None

Purchaser: None

Signature on Sales Papers: None

Selling Price: None

Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: None

Supervision Costs: None

Balance due Owner: None

Paid to: None

Location of Boat at Sale:

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Additional Information:

Letters over a period of time, from December, 1942, to February, 1944, in regard to this boat, written to Harry TSUCHIYA have been ignored.

Tsuchiya's JP reports this boat as being in custody in the Skeena River.

Tsuchiya stated during his visit to the Custodian's Office in November 1943, that this boat was taken as part payment of the boat "Miney II" when that boat was sold to M. Fukuda; that the "Miney" was leased by his father to a Japanese (name unknown) who took her to Cassiar Cannery, Skeena River.

Naval Service reported, in list of boats lying at various points around the Skeena River (boats which had not been removed because of their condition), the boat "Miney" or "Helen" V.015-V, 3278, owned by F. Fukuda.

In April, 1942, this boat was surveyed by A.P. Phillipson, surveyor for JFVDC, whose report shows the boat as being of no value.

Cassiar Packing Co.Ltd. report that a boat which they had understood was called "Hellen", although they did not know that any name was painted on her, was left at the Cannery by a Japanese named Nitta. That the boat was moved by a high tide and that in 1943 the boat was not seen at all.

G. M. Jackson

June 24, 1948

MEMORANDUM

Re: M.V. "Mincey", Vancouver 6101

In April, 1942, M.O.W. Phillipson, appraiser for the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal visited Cassiar Cannery and reported:

HELLEN V 015V

Boat new -

Engine new - Frisco St. 5

Value 1942 - Nil

Boat on beach for some time. Very old boat and engine. No value.

(See Prince Rupert Survey #79)

June 25, 1942, letter from Cdr. A.M. Reed, R.C.N.R., Naval Officer in Charge, Prince Rupert to Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee lists under heading "In the Skeena and NOT in Custody of Navy" the following:

"HELLEN" V 015V

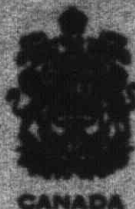
"V 015V" was the Naval Control Number issued to M. Fukuda for the M.V. "Mincey"

Information received from Mr. Harry Kanine Tsuchiya at the time of his visit to the Custodian's office in October, 1943, was that the "Mincey" had been taken as part payment of the boat "Mincey II" when that boat was sold to M. Fukuda; and that the "Mincey" had been leased by the father of Mr. Harry Tsuchiya to a Japanese (name unknown) who had taken her to Cassiar Cannery, Skeena River.

On this file is letter of November 23, 1943, from Cassiar Packing Co. Ltd. regarding a vessel understood to have been named the "Hellen", left at Cassiar by a Japanese named Hitta, some time before the seizure of Japanese-owned boats. Boat at that time was not in seaworthy shape and leaking badly. When boats were seized this boat obviously in very poor shape and no attempt made by Navy to remove boat from beach. At time of letter boat could not be found, possibly floated off beach by high tide.

On Sept. 28, 1942, John Gould, boat appraiser for the Custodian, visited Cassiar Cannery. He did not find the "Mincey" or "Hellen" there.

/m



No. 6101

Port of Registry,

Vancouver, B. C.

This is to Certify that the

LaBoar

"MINEY"

of which the particulars are herein contained, was this day licensed by me, the

Collector

of Customs at

Vancouver. B. C.

...under the provisions of Part I of

the Canada Shipping Act, 1934.

MEASUREMENTS	FEET	INCHES	TONNAGE	NUMBER OF TONS
Length	27	0	Approximate	2 1/2
Breadth	6	10	Inquire	
Depth	4	6	Trisco Standard	5 PND
NAMES OF OWNERS (OR NAME OF OWNER)				NUMBER OF SHARES HELD BY EACH
Harry Kaname Souchiya 881 Union St Vancouver, BC				60

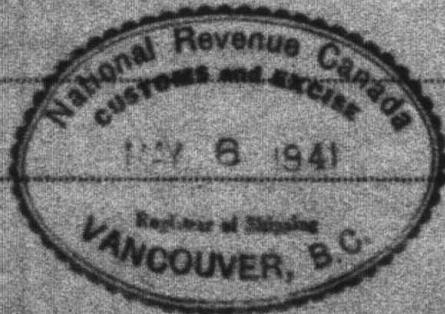
* (If the property in the Ship or Vessel is not divided into shares, this column need not be filled in.)

Signature _____

Collector of Customs and Excise

Dated this _____

day of



Case No. 856 - Harry Kaname Tsuchiya, File 11261

Claim: "Miney" Licence 6101 - Gross Claim: \$1,200.00

Claim states boat left at Cassiar Cannery, Skeena, B.C. and reported to Custodian. JP of July 9, 1942 lists: One 29 ft. gasboat in custody of the Navy at Skeena River, B.C. "Miney" Licence No. 6101.

There is no record that the vessel "Miney" Licence 6101 was taken into custody by the Navy.

However, on June 25, 1942, Cdr. Reed, R.C.N.R., reported to the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee that among 8 boats in the Skeena district but NOT in custody of Navy was a vessel identified as "Hellen", V.015V.

V.015V is a Naval Identification Number - (issued in wartime to boats operating around the coast, as a aid in the control of water traffic).

Naval Identification No. V.015V had, according to information obtained from Naval Service, been issued to M. Fukuda for the vessel "Miney".

Naval Identification Numbers are not transferrable. It was assumed therefore that the boat "Hellen" Naval No. V.015V was the boat "Miney".

The "Miney" was licensed -Vancouver 6101- in the name of Harry Kaname Tsuchiya.

It is noted that, although JP lists the boat as 29 foot, the licence says 27 foot.

The fact that the "Hellen" carried the Naval Identification Number issued to the "Miney" is the only evidence we have that the two names refer to the same vessel.

It might be pointed out that Naval Identification Numbers and Licence or Registration Numbers are the only means by which the identity of a vessel can be established.

The "Hellen" V.015V was at Cassiar Cannery, in April, 1942. Claimant has stated that the "Miney" was left at Cassiar Cannery. In Transcript P.3.L.28-30 & P.4.L.1-10 - "To my knowledge my father arranged and rented the boat to a Skeena River fisherman to fish with and he took it for the Season and left it there for the Winter so that he could go back there next fishing season and it was while it was left on the beach, I presume, that this happened."

The name of the man to whom the "Miney" was rented has not been supplied by claimant at any time.

In regard to the "Hellen" (which we believe to be the "Miney") the following information is available:

Survey Report No. 79 (Prince Rupert) of O.W. Phillipson, appraiser for the JFVDC, made in April, 1942, states that the 1942 value of the boat is NIL.

Letter of November 23, 1943, from Cassiar Packing Co. Ltd. that a boat understood to have been named the "Hellen" had been left at Cassiar Cannery by a Japanese named Nitta some time before the seizure of Japanese-owned boats; that the boat was not in seaworthy shape and was leaking badly; that the Navy had examined the boat when the Japanese boats were seized, but as the hull was in very poor shape, the Navy did not attempt to move the boat; that the boat had remained at the cannery until a large tide moved it some distance down river; and that in 1943 the boat was not seen at all, presumably another tide had floated it off the beach.

On Sept. 28, 1942, John Gould visited Cassiar Cannery in search of Japanese-owned boats. He did not find the "Hellen" or the "Miney" there.

From the information given to us it would seem that the boat deteriorated greatly while in the possession of the unknown fisherman to whom Mr. Tsuchiya, Sr. rented the boat.

/PM Re Mr. Ferg - Transcript P.7, L.8-16 - "We contend that there was a boat—discovered in the possession of the Navy in damaged condition, etc."
There was nothing on claim file to give Mr. Ferg this idea.

Imachison
Nov 24/45

11261 - aut.

aut → Green

P. S. Ross & Sons

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

MONTREAL TORONTO WINNIPEG
CALGARY VANCOUVER

MAJ. GEN. J. D. ROSS, C.M.G.
J. W. ROSS, LL.D.
S. R. CAMPBELL
J. A. GRANT
W. L. GATHEHOUSE
G. M. HAWTHORN
J. A. ROSS
H. I. ROSS
G. M. SMITH

G. E. HOULT
S. B. PECKHAM
W. D. JEPHCOTT
H. S. HAWTHORNE
F. E. H. GATES
J. A. ROSS
F. A. COFFEY
G. D. HARRIS

ROYAL BANK BUILDING
360 ST. JAMES STREET

MONTREAL, QUE.

Vancouver, B. C.

13th September, 1942.

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
504 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. Green

Dear Sirs:

Re: H. K. Tsuchiya

We attach hereto a copy of a letter from J. H. Todd and Sons Limited, wherein they now advise us there are no funds available to pay the amount of \$1,738.53 owed by the above to a company under our control, M. Furuya and Company Limited.

This comes as a surprise to us, as it was our understanding from J. H. Todd and Sons that there would be ample funds to pay this account.

We understand you have a statement on file showing certain charges Todd and Sons have made to Tsuchiya, being repairs to the four vessels purchased by them. We enclose herewith a file of the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee loaned to us by Mr. Martin, and you will note that a copy of the purchase agreement is contained therein.

We cannot understand why Tsuchiya would sign such an agreement, wherein the purchaser is at liberty to make any repairs desired and the cost to be charged to the account of the vendor.

It would appear from their file that the 75% paid to Tsuchiya must have been used to pay other obligations, and we are now at a loss to know how to recover this account against him.

We would appreciate receiving your views in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

24 Sept 1942
Wm. W. M.
Sept 8 - 1942

G. S. Ross & Sons.

11261
737

June 3rd, 1943.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10838,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We wish to draw your attention to the fact that you have not yet replied to our letters of the 28th of December, 1942, 12th of January, 1943 and 18th of February, 1943.

As we are endeavouring to straighten out your affairs we request you to give the matter of a reply to our correspondence your immediate attention, please. As some claims have been lodged since we last wrote to you we are listing below all claims lodged against you up to this date:

1. Workmen's Compensation Board	\$ 53.75
2. M. Furuya Co.	1,738.53 —
3. B. C. Packers (Edmunds & Walker)	88.26
4. Standard Oil of B. C. (Boat-"Ficho")	3.00
5. Standard Oil of B. C. (Boat-"Sanosoma")	256.00
6. Western Leckie Ltd.	295.12

If you do not agree with any of these claims please supply us with all the necessary information in order that we can deal with same on your behalf.

As stated above an early reply is requested.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

AMCA:ND

NATIONAL REVENUE, CANADA
(CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISIONS)

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd SEP 8 1943

File No.

Ans.

Referred Matheson

Port of New Westminster, B.C.

September 7, 1943.

Japanese Evacuation Section,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention F. Matheson

Gentlemen: -

Replying to your inquiry of the 7th inst. re present ownership of M.V. "Miney", I beg to advise that the circumstances concerning this vessel appear to be the reverse of those stated in your letter.

M.V. "Miney" was licensed at this port on the 5th March, 1941, in the name of Toyokichi Naknishi, Steveston, B.C. and given our license number 3248.

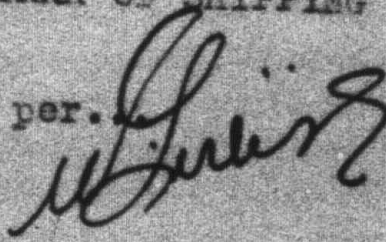
License No. 3248 was subsequently cancelled at the Port of Vancouver, B.C., with their number 6101. This cancellation is dated October 22, 1941.

I have no record of any subsequent transactions on this vessel, and would therefore suggest that you get in contact with the Registrar in Vancouver once more, who should be able to assist you in securing the information you require.

Yours truly,

A.G. Fadden

REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING

per. 

CASSIAR PACKING COMPANY, LIMITED

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, B. C.,

23 November 1943

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd.	NOV 24 1943
File No.	11261
Ans.	
Referred	Waltham

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

out to L. E. Smith
Chippewick

Reference: File No. 11261.

Dear Sirs:-

We have for acknowledgement your letter of the 8th. of this month and the writer regrets that his absence from the city has not permitted an earlier reply.

We have no knowledge of any boat by the name of "Mincy", Licence #6101, having been left at Cassiar Cannery.

There was a boat left on the beach at Cassiar and which we always understood to have been named the "Hellen", although from memory we do not recall that there was any name painted on the hull. This boat was left at Cassiar by a Japanese named Nitta and we had no connection or interest in the boat other than that the writer promised Nitta that we would try to tow it to Vancouver with one of our packers. However our Skipper would not attempt to tow the boat as, on examination, it was not in seaworthy shape and leaking badly. The writer on his return to Vancouver advised Nitta of this fact and suggested that he make his own arrangements to get the boat South, and that in the meantime the boat could remain at the Cannery.

Evidently the boat was never removed and during the winter when the Japanese boats were seized, the Naval authorities came out to the Cannery and placed the boat under their supervision. However as the hull by this time was obviously in very poor shape they did not attempt to move the boat off the beach, but came out to the cannery at frequent intervals to check on the boat.

The boat remained in the original position for some time until one of the large tides moved it some distance down river from the cannery. We did not see the boat at all this last season and have no knowledge of its whereabouts. We would think that possibly the large tides again floated the hull off the beach and that the boat has either been smashed up or sunk.

11261

January 12th, 1944.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10838,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

We wrote to you on the 15th, 20th and 23rd of November, 1943, giving you very full information with regard to claims lodged against you and showing disbursements made on your behalf. We asked you to reply to these letters at your earliest convenience.

You will recall that when you last visited the undersigned, and it was drawn to your attention that you had not been replying to correspondence, you promised to do so in future.

As this office is going to considerable trouble to get your affairs straightened out, we certainly expect a little more co-operation from you in this regard.

Please give the matter of a reply to this letter your early attention.

Yours truly,

AMEA:ND

A. McAllister,
Claims Department.

11261

February 11th, 1944

Mr. Harry K. TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10838,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: 50 HP Diesel Engine at 2235 Triumph St.

You will remember that when you were in Vancouver you spent some time putting the above into shape and we understand proposed to make arrangements for its disposal after your return to Kaslo. While you did not say anything to the writer, we see from a report in the New Canadian, that many parts were missing from this engine and its value considerably reduced. We should further mention that it was advertised for sale on November 6th, 1943 but no bids were received.

It is, we are afraid, a fact that Diesel engines of this make are not popular among buyers here and this may have little but scrap value. We shall have to dispose of it sooner or later and we should, therefore, like you to send us a line and let us know if you have any proposals. Failing this, we will advertise it and sell it for what we can get.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

*See us again 9-3,
sell in next convenient
parcel*

HFG:IF

C
O
P
Y

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Kaslo, B. C.
February 18th 1944

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

Re Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA #10838

In reply to your letter of February 11th
re the Custodian's correspondence with the above man
of which you attached copies of letters.

I have interviewed TSUCHIYA and endeavoured to
get him to realize just what is expected in a reply to
this Custodian correspondence but he seems to treat same
somewhat lightly and after due consideration finally de-
cided that all correspondence in connection with all
these matters could be taken up with his father.

With reference to copy of Mr McAllister's
letter dated February 8th referred to claims which had
been lodged by the National Harbour Board amounting to
\$14.20, TSUCHIYA claims that we take this matter up with his
father also.

I might say that he does not seem very co-
operative in regard to straightening up some of these
matters.

(sgd) T.A. Moryson
Supervisor.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 25 1944
File No.	11261
Ans.	
Referred	M. J. G. G. G.

Out to Matheson's

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
February 23rd 1944

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

Dear Sir,

Re Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA #10838
Custodian File #11261

Referring to your letter of the 8th inst.,
we now enclose a copy of a letter received from our
Kaslo Supervisor giving the result of his interview
with the above named individual.

Yours truly,

M.L. Brown
Office Manager.

MS
enc

11261

June 10th, 1944.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Reg. No. 10838,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Further to ours of February 11th, we have again advertised your Diesel engine at 2235 Triumph Street, but without success, no bids being received. We do not like to dispose of this asset merely for its scrap value since we believe that you would be able to make it work. It is a fact, however, that Occidentals are not familiar with this type of engine and cannot secure results from it. Have you any suggestions for its disposal?

If we do not hear from you in the course of the next few weeks, we shall dispose of it for what we can get.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

*Property of Hazume Tsuchiya
father of Harry Tsuchiya
of sale credited to mother's acct.*

C
O
P
Y

REID, WALLBRIDGE, GIBSON & SUTTON

Yorkshire Building,
525 Seymour Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

February 23, 1942

Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

(Attention Mr. McMaster)

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Tsuchiya boats and J. H. Todd
and Sons Limited.

The Agreement which was entered into between Tsuchiya and Todd and Sons covered the purchase of HATTA No. II, HATTA No. III, HATTA No. VIII and the BETHUNE. The total purchase price for these vessels is \$14,490.00, and the Contract provides that 75% of this amount should be paid when the Bills of Sale have been recorded with the Registrar of Shipping. However, there are outstanding mortgages which are to be paid off as follows:--

Mortgage for the sum of -	\$4,586.59
with interest from the 31st of January 1942 at 6% to Edward Lipsett Limited covering HATTA No. II and BETHUNE	

The sum of -	\$2,240.00
with interest, to K. Shimatakahara covering the BETHUNE	

The sum of -	523.69
with interest to the British Columbia Packers Limited covering HATTA No. VIII	

\$7,350.28

There is also an account of -	489.63
owing by Tsuchiya to Standard Oil Company of B. C. Limited. You have already approved of the payment of this account.	\$7,839.91

It is our intention with your approval to pay the amounts secured by the above mortgages totalling \$7,350.28 and the account of the Standard Oil Company of \$489.63, making altogether \$7,839.91. Deducting this total of liabilities from the 75% of the purchase price, we would pay to you on behalf of Tsuchiya the sum of \$3,027.59. The remainder, or 25%, is to be paid to you on behalf of Tsuchiya after the said vessels have been repaired and put in good running order and the cost of such repairs

C
O
P
Y
Reid, Wallbridge, Gibson & Sutton -2-

is to be deducted from the remaining 25% of the purchase price.
We would like to have your approval of this course of conduct.

Yours truly,

REID WALLBRIDGE GIBSON & SUTTON

PER W. A. Sutton (signed)

WAS:MSC

Kindly address all letters to the firm

Attention of: Mr. Sutton.



CANNERIES

RICHMOND CANNERY, FRASER RIVER
EMPIRE CANNERY, ESQUIMALT, VANCOUVER ISLAND
INVERNESS CANNERY, BREKENA RIVER
BEAVER CANNERY, RIVERS INLET
PROVINCIAL CANNERY, RIVERS INLET
KLEMTU CANNERY, KLEMTU PASS

Green
J.H. TODD & SONS LTD.

P. O. DRAWER 578

CABLE ADDRESS: "TODDSON"

CODE: A. S. C. 87th EDITION

Victoria, B.C. June 2nd, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
JUN 4 1942

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

ATTENTION MR. R. P. ALEXANDER.

Dear Sir:-

Re:- H. K. Tsuchiya.

N/R. address?

to 538

581, Kinsmen St.

Our Klemtu Cannery
advises that they have material belonging to the above,
as follows:-

150 lbs. 2" coated box nails
50 lbs. 8" galvanized nails
1 8-lb. sledge hammer
150 ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch water hose
4 rolls roofing paper
6 lbs. calking cotton
14 pos. 2 x 12 x 14 sized fir
10 pos. 2 x 12 x 18 " "
12 pos. 2 x 8 x 16 " "
1 warehouse truck

It has been estimated
by our Manager that a fair value for the above supplies
would be \$45.00. Will you very kindly get in touch with
this man, and ascertain whether or not this valuation is
acceptable to him, in which case we will immediately for-
ward cheque, payable to Mr. G. W. McPherson, Deputy Cus-
todian, in payment of same. As we wish to close this
matter at the earliest possible date, we would appreciate
an early reply.

Yours truly,

J. H. TODD & SONS LTD.

[Signature]
Secretary.

LBB/C

ALL QUOTATIONS ARE FOR IMMEDIATE ACCEPTANCE AND ALL PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

July 6th, 1942

737

Mr. Hajime Tsuchiya,
Reg'n. No. 12141,

P.O. Box 537

Rev. Dr. Key

Dear Sir:-

You recently called at our office and referred to the claim of the Workmen's Compensation Board's assessment for 1941 - \$27.00, and assessment for 1942 - \$26.75. We wrote to the Workmen's Compensation Board in connection with this matter. Their reply is as follows:

"We acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th instant with reference to the claim of this Board against the above named employer.

We have to advise that our Auditor had requested Mr. Tsuchiya to produce his payroll records both for 1941 and 1942, but that he failed to comply with our Act in this respect. The Workmen's Compensation Act provides that when an employer has failed to produce the necessary records of his payroll, the Board is to form their own estimate and to assess him accordingly, and that an assessment made in this manner shall be binding upon the employer. Owing to the failure of Mr. Tsuchiya to produce these records, his payroll for both the years in question was estimated in accordance with the section of the Act referred to. If, however, he can arrange to have the necessary records produced, we will of course be pleased to make any adjustment in the amount of our assessment which might be in order. "

You will note from this that in order for any adjustment to be made your payroll records will have to be produced for their inspection.

Yours truly,

FGS:EB.

Manager
Administration Department



CANNERIES

RICHMOND CANNERY, FRASER RIVER
EMPIRE CANNERY, ESQUIMALT, VANCOUVER ISLAND
INVERNESS CANNERY, SKYEMA RIVER
BEAVER CANNERY, RIVERS INLET
PROVINCIAL CANNERY, RIVERS INLET
KLEMTU CANNERY, KLEMTU PASS

J. H. TODD & SONS LTD.

P. O. DRAWER 578

CABLE ADDRESS: "TODDSON"

CODE: A. S. C. 8TH EDITION

Victoria, B.C. August 7th, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
AUG 10 1942

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

ATTENTION MR. R. P. ALEXANDER.

Dear Sirs:-

re: - H. K. Tsuchiya - and Boats, "HATTA II", "HATTA III",
"HATTA VIII", and "BETHUNE".

For your information we enclose herewith statement covering the purchase of the above boats.

It will be seen that there is a balance of \$3,120.55 owing to us, and we would be pleased to be advised what action you consider we might be able to take in order to recover this amount.

Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons, Chartered Accountants, Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B. C., have served us with an order that any balance should be paid to them, and we are today advising them that the matter has been referred to your Department.

Yours truly,

J. H. TODD & SONS LTD.

[Signature]
Secretary.

LEB/C
encl.

11261

August 19th, 1942

Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: TSUCHIYA, Harry K.

Thank you for your letter dated the 13th of September (sic) and the file for Hatta VIII loaned to you by Mr. Martin which we return herewith. We have referred the agreement signed by Tsuchiya to our Mr. Wright who advises us that Messrs. J. H. Todd & Sons have a claim on Tsuchiya for costs incurred in excess of the 25% balance, but that this claim has no preference over other claims. Under these circumstances, we are afraid there is nothing we can do but to record the claim of M. Furuya and Company Limited for \$1738.53 pending examination of all this man's assets and liabilities.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Manager Protection Dept.

Enc.
HFG:LF

11261

August 19th, 1942

Messrs. J. H. Todd & Sons,
P. O. Drawer 578,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: TSUCHIYA, Harry K.

Thank you for your letter of August 7th and enclosed statement. We have examined a copy of the agreement loaned to us by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee and note that you were empowered by it to spend whatever sums you considered necessary to put vessels belonging to the above into good running order.

Turning to the balance owing to you and the outstanding claim from Messrs. P. S. Ross and Sons, we can for the time being do nothing more than record these claims. We are referring your enclosure to the Japanese owner and are obtaining his reaction to this position.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Manager Protection Dept.

HFG:IG

P. S. Ross & Sons

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

MONTREAL TORONTO WINNIPEG
CALGARY VANCOUVER

MAJ GEN J. G. ROSS, C.M.G.
J. W. ROSS, LL.D.
S. R. CAMPBELL
J. R. GRANT
W. L. GATEHOUSE
D. W. HAWTHORN
I. A. ROSS
H. I. ROSS
G. M. SMITH

C. E. HOULT
S. B. PECKHAM
W. G. JEPHCOTT
H. S. HAWTHORNE
F. E. H. GATES
J. A. ROSS
F. A. COFFEY
G. G. HARRIS

ROYAL BANK BUILDING
300-310-320-330-340-350-360-370-380-390-400-410-420-430-440-450-460-470-480-490-500-510-520-530-540-550-560-570-580-590-600-610-620-630-640-650-660-670-680-690-700-710-720-730-740-750-760-770-780-790-800-810-820-830-840-850-860-870-880-890-900-910-920-930-940-950-960-970-980-990-1000

MONTREAL, QUE.

Vancouver, B. C.,

Our File 295-136.Your File 11261.OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
RECEIVED
SEP 2 1942

31st August, 1942.

Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.,Attention Mr. H. F. Green.Dear Sir: re: TSUCHIYA, Harry K.

We wish to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 19th instant regarding the above and J. H. Todd and Sons. We cannot agree that there is nothing to do in this matter but record the claim of M. Furuya and Company Limited, pending examination of this man's assets and liabilities.

In our opinion, a very strict examination should be made of the expenditures made by Messrs. Todd and Sons on the boats purchased by them from this man. The contract would seem to suggest that they had the right to spend sums necessary to put the boats in running order, but it would not seem that they had the right to make substantial betterments.

It might be that a survey could be made of the present value of the boats and this survey compared with the price paid by Todd and Sons to this Japanese. In respect to any boats showing a substantial increase in value over the purchase price, the expenditures by Todd and Sons in respect of such boats, should be split between repairs and betterments and the accounts adjusted accordingly.

We would suggest in the meantime that Messrs. Todd and Sons be asked to supply detailed accounts covering their expenditures.

Yours faithfully,
P. S. Ross & Sons

MEMORANDUM

September 2nd, 1942.

TO: Mr. Edgar T. Reed.

FROM: A. E. McMaster.

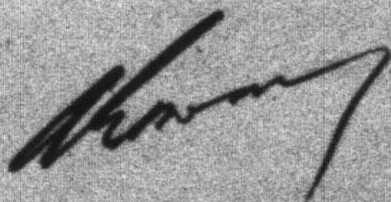
RE: M/V "BETHUNE" 150314

This vessel was purchased by J. H. Todd and Sons from Harry K. Tsuchiya on January 22nd of last year together with three other vessels for the total sum of \$14490.00 made up as follows:--

"BETHUNE"	\$1440.00
"HATTA II"	3150.00
"HATTA III"	4500.00
"HATTA VIII"	5400.00

Total \$14490.00

The contract of purchase provided that 25% of this amount, or \$3622.50 be held back for the purpose of reimbursing the purchaser, or for any repairs necessary to the vessels to place them in sea worthy condition. In addition to this, there were other accounts against this group of boats which were handled through the firm of Reed, Wallbridge, Gibson & Sutton which totalled \$7839.91 the details of which you will find in attached copy of letter from this firm, date February 23rd. The net amount received by the Committee, therefore, in behalf of the vendor was \$3027.59. From this amount, the Committee paid \$171.77 on a warrant of execution, to the Sheriff of the County of Vancouver. The Committee's commission amounted to \$144.90, therefore, the net amount paid to the vendor on March 31st for which we hold official receipt was \$2710.92.



JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Chairman:
THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE SIDNEY SMITH
CHAIRMAN
COMMANDER E. L. JOHNSON, D.S.O., R.C.N.R.
KISHIZO KINURA
A. E. McMASTER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

1928 MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B.C.

September 2nd, 1942.

Mr. Edgar T. Reed,
General Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
Department of the Secretary of State,
501 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Mr. Reed:

Re: M/V "BETHUNE" 150314

With reference to our conversation of yesterday in respect to the above mentioned vessel, we attach hereto memorandum as to the transaction involving this boat.

You will remember that I advised you that the Committee was negotiating with Harry Tsuchiya for the purchase of his vessel "HATTA VII" for the amount of \$10,250.00. This man is disputing the price and I am not sure when we shall be able to conclude the purchase. However, if the matter is concluded, settlement will be made through this office; hence if you will send us the necessary authority for a deduction from the net amount due the vendor, we shall be glad to make this collection in your behalf.

Yours very truly,

A. E. McMaster
A. E. McMaster,
Executive Assistant.

AEM:RO
ENCL.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMMITTEE

11261

506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.
September 4th, 1942.

Mr. A. B. McMaster,
Executive Assistant,
Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee,
1528 Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. McMaster:

Re: M/V "Bethune" 15031A.

Thank you very much for your letter of the 2nd, together with enclosures as stated. I appreciate the trouble which you have taken in this matter. There are however, two or three points which I think it might be well to bring forward.

From the material which you were good enough to send me, it would appear that 75% of the purchase price has been received. From this, mortgages, liens, your commission, cost of warrant, etc., have been deducted, leaving a balance to the owner of \$2710.92, which I understand you have forwarded to the owner. This leaves a balance of 25%, or \$3622.50, to be dealt with.

I enclose an account dated August 6th, 1942, to Mr. Tsuchiya from J. H. Todd & Sons Limited. According to this statement, the amount of cash paid in the first instance on account of the boats, was \$12,705.07, whereas according to your accounts, \$10,867.50 was received. I would be glad if you would kindly let me have some information regarding the difference.

According to the memo you sent me, the sale price of the "Bethune" was \$1440., yet if you examine Todd's account, you will find that he has charged for repairs \$2712.24. I think that there should be not only a detailed statement furnished this office for these fees, but also a declaration justifying this large expenditure.

Would you be kind enough to consider this whole matter carefully, and let me hear from you as soon as possible. When replying, will you kindly return Todd's statement.

Yours faithfully,

Edgar T. Read
General Manager.

ETR:MS
Enclosure.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
RECEIVED
SEP 15 1942

Green
Mr. R. G. Bell
c/o B. C. Security Commission
Kaslo, B. C.
September 11, 1942

Mr. Shears
Custodian of Enemy Alien Properties
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

With regard to the statement from J. H. Todd & sons concerning my boats, they have notified me that you had the detailed statements. I would be very much obliged if you could forward me the statement so I may know just how I stand regarding it.

If any other claims has come in I wish that you would sand me copies of the same.

Yours very truly

Harry K. Tsuchiya

Harry K. Tsuchiya

HKT:sn

P. S. Ross & Sons

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

MONTREAL TORONTO WINNIPEG
CALGARY VANCOUVER

MAJ. GEN. J. G. ROSS, C.M.G.	G. E. HOULT
J. W. ROSS, LL.D.	S. B. PECKHAM
S. R. CAMPBELL	W. G. JEPHCOCK
J. A. GRANT	H. S. HAWTHORNE
W. L. GATEHOUSE	F. E. H. GATES
G. M. HAWTHORN	J. A. ROSS
I. A. ROSS	F. A. COFFEY
H. I. ROSS	G. G. HARRIS
G. M. SMITH	

ROYAL BANK BUILDING
300-40 JAMES STREETMONTREAL, QUE.
Vancouver, B. C.Our file 295-136

9th November, 1942.

Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.Attention: Mr. A. McAllister

Dear Sirs:

Re: M. Furuya and Company Limited and
Harry K. Tsuchiya 11261

Referring to your letter of October 29th we attach hereto a copy of the statement of the H. Tsuchiya camp account from the books of the above Company. We understand the H. Tsuchiya camp was operated by Harry K. Tsuchiya or his family.

We have on file an acknowledgment of the debt to M. Furuya and Company Limited by Harry K. Tsuchiya, and an understanding that the surplus funds from the sale of certain of his boats to J. H. Todd & Sons would provide the funds for payment. As you are aware it would appear at the present moment that there will be no surplus from J. H. Todd & Sons. We, therefore, feel that this account should be paid out of the funds now held by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, from the sale of another vessel.

We are unable to give you any more information as to the identity of the parties concerned, but consider that if you wire Tsuchiya he should give you permission to pay this account.

Yours faithfully,

P. S. Ross & Sons

Enc.

11261
737

December 28th, 1942.

Mr. Harry K. Tsuchiya,
Registration #10838,
Kaslo, B.C.

Dear Sir:

On the 27th of October we wrote to your father, Hajime Tsuchiya, copy of letter attached, forwarding him a form which was to be completed and returned to this office. When this form is returned, duly completed, we will be able to collect some money which is due to H. Tsuchiya from the liquidation of the Canadian Food Distributors. We understand that this money is owed to your father, but if it should be owed to you, kindly say so in your reply.

On the 20th of November we again wrote your father asking for the return of the form which we had forwarded. We have now received a reply from him, in which he states that you are looking after this matter along with some others, and that he had wired you to return the form to us. Please give this your immediate attention.

We would also like to get your confirmation of the following claims against you:

M. Furuya Company, Limited	\$1738.53
Edmonds & Walker Ltd. <i>(detailed copy attached)</i>	88.26
Workmen's Compensation Board	53.75.

Kindly inform us how you propose to settle these claims.

Thanking you in advance for your very early attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

AMcA:DE

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

Encl.

737 & 11261

April 19, 1943.

Mr. Hajime TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 12141,
P. O. Box 532,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your letter dated April 12th, addressed to Mr. Spain of our Protection Department, which has been referred to me for attention.

We have pleasure in confirming to you that your account with us at the present time shows a credit balance in your favour of \$506.20. It is difficult for us to accede to your request, however, that this sum be forwarded to you at this time without first obtaining from you a clear understanding as to the status of four claims we have on file against you together with an indication as to the means you propose to adopt in settling the claims listed as follows:

1. \$1,738.53 filed with us by M. Furuya Company, Ltd.
2. \$ 88.26 filed with us by Messrs. Edmonds & Walker Ltd.
3. \$ 29.10 filed with us by Mrs. Michi (Nobuko) Moriyama
4. \$1,000.00 filed with us by Kazuya Sunahara.

Please confirm to us the correctness or otherwise by return mail of each of the four claims listed above.

Our records indicate that under your Agreement for Sale to W. L. and G. Burr we may expect to receive a total of approximately \$2,000.00 for you, which would, on the assumption that all four claims are correct, leave you with a shortage of about \$350.00.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

737
11261

June 3rd, 1943.

Mr. Hajime TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 12141,
P. O. Box 532,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We thank you for yours of the 25th of May, 1943. We have made a further check of the claims which were lodged in this office and filed against you. We now find that the claim of \$1,738.53 by M. Furuya Co. Ltd. is not against you but against your son, Harry K. Tsuchiya, as stated in your letter. Incidentally this claim has not yet been settled.

We also find that the claim by Messrs. Edmunds & Walker Ltd. of \$88.26 is not against you but against your son, Harry.

With regard to the claim lodged by Mrs. Michi MORIYAMA of \$29.10, we might state that this claim was included among others in a list submitted by Mrs. MORIYAMA, and evidently referred to Hardware. We are writing to her for further particulars and will advise you when we receive same.

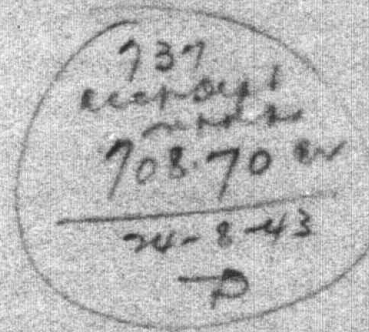
With regard to the claim of \$1,000.00 by Kazuye SUMAHARA. He reported this claim in his registration form and stated that it had been owing since 1928. We are writing to him also for further particulars and we will advise you when these are received.

Your credit balance at this date is \$629.20.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

AMcA:ND



October 16, 1943.

PRESENT POSITION OF FISHING NETS & GEAR REMOVED TO
STEVESTON STORAGE -- Hagime TSUCHIYA

<u>Cust. No.</u>	<u>Description</u>		<u>Position</u>
2533	300' lumber (approx)	Sold	\$15.00
2534	6 boom masts	"	5.00
2536	3 oars	Unsold	
2535	2 pike poles	Sold	2.00 (one)
2539	anchor (part missing)	Sold	1.00
2537	3 bdles corks	Unsold	
2524	part coil $\frac{3}{4}$ " manila	Sold	20.00
2545	bdle green net	Unsold	
2539	20 lbs. old rope	Sold	2.00
2538	2 bdles herring nets	Sold	5.00 (140' old herring web)
2525	bdle life preservers	Sold	2.00 (two)
none	2 lanterns	Sold	1.50
2530	18 boat clamps	Sold	9.50
2540	3 bdles salmon web	Unsold	

11261

November 2nd, 1943.

Western Leckie Ltd.
148 Alexander St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA

With reference to your claim against the above named Japanese amounting to \$295.12, we have had a visit from TSUCHIYA and he states that he is under the impression that this claim was paid by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee.

Please advise us if this is the case. If not kindly supply us with a detailed statement of your claim, with dates.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

AMcA:DE

11261

November 2nd, 1943.

The Standard Oil Co. of B.C. Ltd.,
355 Burrard Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA

We have on file two claims from your company
against the above named Japanese.

One claim for \$3.00 against the boat "EICHO";
TSUCHIYA states that he never had any boat of this name.
The other claim \$256.00 against the boat "SANO SONA";
TSUCHIYA states that he is under the impression that the
boat you refer to was called the "TONO SAMA", and that
he was not the owner of this boat but only chartered
same from time to time. He, therefore, wishes a detailed
statement, giving dates showing when this debt was in-
curred.

Please let us have this information at your
earliest convenience.

Yours truly,


AMcA:DE

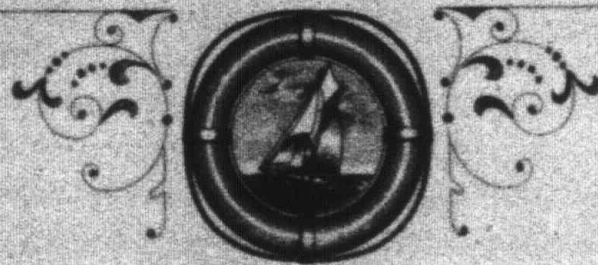
A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

WESTERN LECKIE LIMITED

FISHING SUPPLIES — MARINE HARDWARE

BARBOUR'S
"BEST"
SALMON NETS
TROLLING SUPPLIES
HALIBUT GEAR
FINLAYSON'S
CUTTYHUNK AND
B.C. LEADER LINE

J.W. McEWEN,
MANAGER



148 ALEXANDER STREET

VANCOUVER,

KNOX'S
"BEST"
SALMON NETS
"BLUE TICKET"
COTTON NETTING
C.C.M. IMPERIAL
COTTON ROPE AND TWINE
LINEN THREADS AND TWINES

November 6, 1943.

Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Claims Department,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. A. McAlister

Dear Sirs:

File No. 11261
re: Harry Kaname Tsuchiya

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd.	NOV 8 1943
File No.	11261
Ans.	
Referred	<i>McAlister</i>

sent to Bureau

In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant,
we are enclosing statement of this account from
November, 1941.

You will notice that the only payment we have
received on the account was the amount of \$100.00
in June, 1942, and there was no settlement of the
account by the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal
Committee.

We look forward to hearing from you further
at a later date.

Yours very truly,

WESTERN LECKIE LIMITED.

[Signature]
Manager.

*Hold until we hear
from Standard Oil*
JT
Encl.

11261

November 15th, 1943.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10838,
Kaslo, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Following your visit here the other day we wrote to your creditors and we have had the following reply from Western Leckie Limited:

"In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, we are enclosing statement of this account from November, 1941.

You will notice that the only payment we have received on the account was the amount of \$100.00 in June, 1942, and there was no settlement of the account by the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee.

We look forward to hearing from you further at a later date."

You will recall that you stated while in this office that you were of the opinion that this account had been settled by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee. We are attaching herewith a copy of their statement. Please confirm by letter that you agree, or otherwise, with the statement.

We will write you further when we hear from the other creditors. In the meantime we have paid the claim against you by the Workmen's Compensation Board amounting to \$53.75.

Yours truly,


AMcA:DE

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

Encl.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA LIMITED

HEAD OFFICE: VANCOUVER, B. C.

STANOVAN REFINERY: BURNABY, B. C.

R. T. WILSON
DIRECTOR SECRETARY & TREASURER

November 16th, 1943.

MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 19 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	<i>H. Tsuchiya</i>

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

Attention: Mr. A.E. McAllister

Dear Sir:

H. TSUCHIYA, Your File 11261

We enclose statements of our claims against subject, in connection with barrels loaned to the boats "Eicho" and "Tono Sama".

In answer to Mr. Tsuchiya's claim that he never owned a boat named "Eicho", we can only say that according to the original invoice a barrel was loaned to that boat and owners, care of H. Tsuchiya, on April 29, 1940, and it has not yet been returned.

The same remarks apply to our claim against the "Tono Sama", and unless the debtor can produce conclusive evidence that he is not responsible, we have no alternative than to look to him for settlement.

Yours very truly,

R. T. WILSON

By: *H. Tsuchiya*

EB:BE
Encl.

H. TSUCHIYA

STATEMENT OF BARRELS DELIVERED ON LOAN WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN RETURNED

BOAT "TONO SAMA" & OWNERS

<u>Heavy Barrels</u>					
<u>1940</u>		<u>Inv.No.</u>	<u>Delivered</u>	<u>Returned</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Sept.	30	14437	10		
Oct.	6	13516	3		
	7	13537	2		
Nov.	25	42520	4		
<u>1941</u>					
April	25	40370	1		
	29	40779	3		
June	25	74155	1		
Aug.	26	83978	11		
Sept.	11	83198	1		
Oct.	23	97398	2		
Dec.	2	17119		11	
<u>1942</u>					
March	19	17136		1	

Heavy Barrels outstanding, 26 @ \$8.00 each -- \$208.00

BOAT "KICHO" & OWNERS

<u>Light Barrels</u>				
<u>1940</u>	<u>Inv.No.</u>	<u>Delivered</u>	<u>Returned</u>	<u>Balance</u>
April 29	39066	1	Nil	<u>1</u>

Light Barrels outstanding, 1 @ \$3.00 -- \$3.00

<u>Light Barrels</u>				
<u>1941</u>	<u>Inv.No.</u>	<u>Delivered</u>	<u>Returned</u>	<u>Balance</u>
April 29	40779	16		
June 25	74160	2		
June 25	74154	1		
July 5	74251	1		
Aug. 26	83978	3		
Oct. 12	17092		5	
Dec. 2	17119		2	
		<u>23</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>16</u>

Light Barrels outstanding, 16 @ \$3.00 each -- \$48.00

<u>RECAPITULATION</u>	
Heavy Barrels 26 @ \$8.00	\$208.00
Light Barrels 16 @ \$3.00	48.00
	<u>\$256.00</u>

*2 Copies sent Tsuchiya
20.11.43*

11261

November 20th, 1943.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10835,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Further to our letter of the 15th instant dealing with claims lodged against you. We have now received a reply from the Standard Oil Company of British Columbia Limited, which reads as follows:-

"We enclose statements of our claims against subject, in connection with barrels loaned to the boats "Eicho" and "Tono Sama".

"In answer to Mr. Tsuchiya's claim that he never owned a boat named "Eicho", we can only say that according to the original invoice a barrel was loaned to that boat and owners, care of H. Tsuchiya, on April 29, 1940, and it has not yet been returned.

"The same remarks apply to our claim against the "Tono Sama", and unless the debtor can produce conclusive evidence that he is not responsible, we have no alternative than to look to him for settlement."

We are also enclosing herewith a copy, in duplicate, of their original invoices.

As promised by you when in this office, we shall expect an early reply to this letter and our previous letter re Western Leckie Limited, as we require to get the matter of your claims all straightened out.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

AMcA:ND

Encl. 2.

11261

November 23, 1943.

Mr. Harry Kanime TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10836,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

As you requested, we give you the following statement in connection with disbursements made from boat-money, as shown in the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee's ledgers.

Vessels "Bethune", "Hatta II", "Hatta II" & "Hatta VII"

Paid in to Committee		3,027.59
March 3, H. K. Tsuchiya	\$2,710.92	
" 4, Sheriff, County of Vancouver (Active Trading Company)	171.77	
" 11, Commission & Survey Charge	144.90	

Vessel "Hatta V"

Paid in to Committee		5,473.25
April 2 - H. K. Tsuchiya	458.70	
" 2 - Tokutaro Tanaka	3,500.00	
March 23 Canada Net & Twine	1,427.84	
April 14 Commission & Survey Charge	86.71	

Vessel "Hatta VII"

Paid in to Committee		10,250.00
Oct. 20 - Canadian Atlas Diesel	2,790.27	
November 19 - H. K. Tsuchiya	4,338.70	
" 19 - Custodian (M. Furuya Co. Ltd.)	1,738.53	xx (1,738.53)
" 19 - Dept. of National Defence Commission & Survey Charge	275.00 107.50	

The payment made to the Custodian on behalf of M. Furuya Co. Ltd. has been credited to your account, and the amount shown is still unpaid.

The Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd. in purchasing the "Hatta V" held back the sum of \$2,697.75 to cover a loan and interest.

P.T.O

live a normal life," he stated
and added there had been no

The order is the most inst-

FOR SALE BY TENDER

The Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian, hereby offers for sale by public tender the following articles located in the City of Vancouver:

PARCEL No. 1—Woodworking and Box Machinery, comprising Band Saw, Rip Saw, 1 Electric Motor, Bending Machine, Cutting Blade, Measuring Machine, Shafts and Pulleys.

PARCEL No. 2—Box Factory Machinery, comprising Delta Band-saw, Parcel Saw, Small Lathes, Electric Cables, 4 Wire-stitching Machines, 1 Gear on Shaft and Pulleys, 2 Cutters, Sundry Equipment.

PARCEL No. 3—Printing Machine.

PARCEL No. 4—Dismantled engine and parts—ex "Arrandale."

PARCEL No. 5—1x1 Cylinder 30 H.P. Nippatsu Diesel, 1934. Never in use. Parts missing.

PARCEL No. 6—1x1 Cylinder 35 H.P. Nippatsu Diesel. Dismantled. Parts missing.

PARCEL No. 7—1x1 Cylinder 35 H.P. Nippatsu Diesel taken from "Gabriola Pass". Parts missing.

PARCEL No. 8—1 Boat Engine "Bakenbacker."

PARCEL No. 9—1x15 ft. Speedboat Hull.

PARCEL No. 10—1 50 H.P. "Hot Shot" Diesel Marine Engine.

PARCEL No. 11—1 Donkey Frame Hoist.

Tenders for the purchase of such assets will be received subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Each tender must be for one of the parcels but a separate tender may be filled for each of several parcels.

2. A tender offering for parcels in the alternative will be considered an offer only for the parcel first named.

3. A certified cheque payable to the Custodian for ten per cent (10%) of the amount offered must accompany each tender.

4. Each tender must be in separate sealed envelope addressed to "The Custodian", 505 Royal Bank Building, 575 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. and each envelope must be marked "Tender."

5. All Tenders must be in writing, with special reference to the parcel numbers appearing in this advertisement.

6. The assets are offered for sale without any warranty whatsoever by the Custodian as to quantity, condition or state of repair of such assets.

Cheques in respect of unaccepted bids will be returned in due course. Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

Arrangements will be made to inspect the assets on application to the undersigned.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Noon Daylight Saving Time on the 16th day of November, 1945.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 8th day of November, 1945.

THE CUSTODIAN,
505 Royal Bank Building,
575 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Vancouver News Herald 6-11-45
Sun. Morning

no bids rec'd

737 & 11261

March 3rd, 1944

Mr. Hajime TSUCHIYA,
Reg. No. 12141,
White Farm,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We have had numerous correspondence and a great deal of trouble in connection with the claims filed against your son, Harry K. TSUCHIYA. He has now advised the B. C. Security Commission that the following claims are not against him but that you owe these amounts:

Harbour Board wharfage for	
Hatta #2, #3, #5, #7	\$14.20
B. C. Packers	88.26
M. Furuya Co.	1,738.53
Western Leckie Ltd.	295.12
Standard Oil of B.C.	
(Boat - "Eicho")	3.00
Standard Oil of B. C.	
(Boat - "Tonosoma")	256.00

We would ask you to kindly write us immediately in regard to these claims and beg to advise you that we will be unable to send any further funds until the above matters are straightened out.

Yours truly,

G. D. Milson
Administration Department

GDM/GH

File 737

Nov. 6th, 1944
130 Water St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Custodian Enemy Property,
509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Att'n: Mr. Green

Re Diesel Engine Stored at 2235 Triumph St.

At the request of your Mr. W. Wills, I
examined the above Diesel Engine.

This engine is a 2 Cylinder Engine, 50 H.P.
No. 2878-460, Trade Mark "MH in a Diamond." manufactured
by Hatusoka.

The engine is in a very rusty condition
and parts are missing. I was shown some parts on a
shelf belonging to this engine but doubt if engine is
complete. This being an engine of Japanese manufacture,
it would be impossible to obtain these parts during
war time.

This engine might be of use to a Japanese
who understands the workings. It is an old type and has
at present little commercial value. In fact, the engine
as it stands is only worth junk price. If you can get
any reasonable offer, which I doubt, the machine might be
worth in its present condition \$100.00 to \$150.00.

RTM/EM

Yours truly,

R. T. Muir

see 15/4/47

May 2nd, 1945.

Halime TSUCHIYA -- File 737
Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA -- File 11261

Chattels and Effects other than Boats

Declared: Inventoried: Disposed of: Unaccounted for:

881 Union St. File 737 (by London & Western
Trusts Co. file 737,
13/4/45)

1 Piano	1 Piano	See London and Western
1 Chesterfield suite	1 Chesterfield suite	Trust's letter
1 Dining room table	1 Dining room table	21/7/42 on file
6 Chairs	6 Chairs	737 -- evidently
1 Coal stove	1 Coal stove	most effects at
Kitchen chinaware	Chinaware	881 Union removed
Kitchen utensils	Kitchen utensils	by owners.
6 Pictures		
Quantity books	Quantity books	See below under
Numerous H.H. effects	Numerous H.H. effects	"Claimed by Tsuchiyas
	3 Beds	November 2nd, 1943
	1 Kitchen stove	after burglary known"

2235-7 Triumph St.

1 Diesel Marine Engine 50 H.P. value \$3000.00	1 Diesel Marine Engine	Advertised for sale November 6th, 1943 and May 15th, 1944. No bids received. Valuations: John Gould file 737, 9/3/43, \$250. R.T. Muir, file 11261 6/11/44, \$100/150.
5000' boat lumber	5000' boat lumber	See below under moved to Steveston.
1000' ordinary lumber	1000' ordinary lumber	
1000 lbs salmon nets	1000 lbs salmon nets	1200 lbs web shipped to owner 24/3/43
5 Gill nets	5 Gill nets	300 lbs sold B.C.S.C. \$15.00 24/4/43
		480 lbs. sold B.C.S.C. 26/4/43, \$24.00.
Quantity machine ols and other equipment	Quantity machine Tools and other equipment	See under "auctioned" and "claimed by Tsuchiyas" below

Declared:	Inventoried:	Disposed of:	Unaccounted for:
	<u>Moved to Steveston for sale 2/8/43.</u>		
	Quantity of boat lumber	Cust. #2533 sold \$15.00.	
	6 Boat masts	Cust. #2534 sold \$5.00	
	4 Boat oars	Cust. #2536	4 Boat oars
	4 Pike poles	Cust. #2535, 1 sold \$2.00	3 Pike poles
	1 Anchor	Cust. #2539 sold \$1.00.	
	Corks	Cust. #2537	Corks
	Used rope	Cust. #2524, 3 items sold for \$23.50.	
	Seine net (no value)	Cust. #2525 sold \$2.00	
	Bundle life jackets	Cust. #2527, sold \$1.00	
	2 Pulleys	Sold \$1.50	
	2 Lanterns		1 sack boat felt
	1 Sack boat felt	Cust. #2530 sold \$9.50	
	18 boat clamps		2 Wedges
	2 Boat wedges		3 depth sounders
	3 Depth sounders	Cust. #2540, 3 bundles salmon web - \$4.50 Slamon seine \$15.00	

Claimed by Tsuchiras
(file 737, November
2nd, 1943) After
burglary known.

(1) Glassware and
Chinaaware. \$100.00

This includes a 42 pc.
new dinner set in un-
opened box purchased
for the sum of \$47.50.
Balance consists of
cut-glass bowls, cocktail
set and meat dishes.

This includes a
42 pc. new dinner
set in unopened
box purchased for
the sum of \$47.50.
Balance consists
of cut-glass bowl,
cocktail set and
meat dishes.

See remarks

Declared:	Inventoried:	Disposed of:	Unaccounted for:
(2) <u>Hard Ware.</u> \$150.00		See under "Sold at Auction"	
This consisted of ship chandler, e.g. Galvanized 2 1/2" boat nails 2 Boxes of 3 1/2" " " 40 lbs. assorted washers Nuts 3/8 to 1" Box assorted bolts 4 to 10" About 65 lbs. 5" brass Seine rings Sundry blocks hooks etc.			See remarks
(3) <u>Tools.</u> \$250.00		See under "Sold at Auction"	
Tap and Die set 1 set each of 1/16 to 1/4 U.S.S. and S.A.E. Outside Micrometer (2), 1 6" and 1-3". 1 Inside Micrometer with 2 extension rods up to 6" 2 Sets of outside and inside calipers 5" & 8". 1 Pipe cutting die adjust- able jaw to 3 1/2" Miscellaneous saws, planes, shears, punches and key drifts.			See remarks
(4) <u>Books.</u> \$250.00			
"World Encyclopedia" Complete set, brand new cost \$62.00. "Book of Knowledge" complete set. 9 Volumes "Hydro Electrical" Timby and Croft. at \$8.00 a volume - \$72.00. Assorted books of "Diesel Engineering" 12 volumes. 7 Volumes of "Engineer and Machinest" hand books			"World Encyclopedia" complete set, brand new cost \$62.00. "Book of Knowledge" complete set. 9 volumes "Hydro Electrical" Timby & Croft at \$8.00 a volume - \$72.00. Assorted books of "Diesel Engineering" 12 volumes. 7 Volumes of "En- gineer and Machin- ist" hand books See remarks
(5) <u>Machinery.</u>		See under "Sold at Auction"	
1 Briggs and Stratton 1/2 H.P. Value \$80.00. 1 Wico for 3 H.P. Fairbanks Stationary engine and excessories - \$45.00.			See remarks

Declared:	Inventoried:	Disposed of:	Unaccounted for:
(6) <u>Furniture and</u> <u>Baggage.</u> \$35.00			
Personal clothing and effects including a trunk.			Personal clothing and effects in- cluding a trunk.

Sold at Auction

Display case
 9 Fish throwers
 2 sledge hammers
 Chicken wire
 Warehouse truck
 Cupboard
 Stationery gas
 engine
 Tools
 2 Pulleys
 2 Rudder guides
 Cutter
 Shafting & Clutch
 Machine
 5 Lanterns
 Box Miscellaneous
 Roller
 Marine parts
 3 Boxes Misc.
 Flower pots
 Tools.....
 ...
 See Auction Sheet
 of Feb. 9 & 10.
Total Gross proceeds
\$50.85.

4 Screens....
 ...
 See Auction Sheet
 of March 2, 1945.
Total Gross Proceeds
\$0.25

Remarks

Report on file 737 from Mr. D. A. Smith dated June 19th, 1942, reveals that the furniture of other Japanese stored at 2235-7 Triumph Street was moved to Custodian storage since some of it was of good quality and was being spoiled by the foundry fumes. The Tsuchiyas' effects were not moved since they did not appear to be susceptible of damage from the fumes and were so considerable that we could not spare the space in our warehouse.

Letter of May 19th, 1943, on file 737 reveals that a theft occurred at this address. Subsequent loss report dated December 9th, 1943, also on file 737, gives all the particulars. The evidence pointed to the fact that entry had been made on several occasions and very considerable losses had occurred.

From this report it will be seen that it is probable that the Insurance Company and the evacuees have been in correspondence as to a

settlement and this matter should perhaps be followed further in case subsequent claims are received from the Tsuchiyas. It is very difficult to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion since, as will be seen from correspondence in early October 1942 on file 737, Hajime Tsuchiya was not able to recall everything left behind and asked permission to visit Vancouver to make an inventory. This could not be arranged and pressure of work prevented this office from making it on his behalf.

Reference made finally be made to memorandum of October 3rd, 1943, on file 737 covering a visit from Harry Tsuchiya to Vancouver, shipment of various effects, abandonment of homemade articles and disposal of remaining items at Steveston and by auction in Vancouver as shown on the preceding statement.

It might be mentioned that the diesel engine has so far successfully resisted all attempts at disposal and will present quite a problem as this type of Japanese-made engine is, to a large extent, obsolete.

11261
737

February 17, 1948.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Reg. No. 10838,
450 Burrows Avenue,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

Your father is very anxious to have the balance of funds held by us on his account sent to him, but before remitting any money to him it will be necessary for you to write us and tell us that the claims of M. FURUYA Company Limited, B. C. Packers Limited, Western Leckie Limited, Standard Oil of B. C. Limited and National Harbour Board are your responsibility, and that the amounts of these claims can be charged to your account.

We attach a copy of a letter we have today written to your father.

Yours truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/fm
enc. (1)

737
11261

February 17, 1948.

Mr. Hajime TSUCHIYA,
Reg. No. 12141,
Box 532,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 10th instant and it is our desire to close your account and forward the balance of funds on hand to you. Before doing this, however, it will be necessary for us to have a letter from your son, Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA, assuring us that the claims which have been under discussion for so long really belong to him, and for him to advise us to pay these claims from his account.

With regard to the claims of Mrs. MORTYAMA and K. SUHARA, we have searched our files and cannot find any letter from you in this connection.

Please write to your son and tell him to send us the letter as outlined above.

Yours truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/cn
C.C. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA

File No. 11261
Reg. No. 10838

MATTY A. YEMCHUKA

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1943 November 5	Proceeds Sale "Matta VII"		\$1,738.53	
November 12	Workmen's Compensation Board - payment of claim	53.75		
1944 March 9	Proceeds Auction Sale		38.85	
March 31	" " " "		.21	
		<u>\$ 53.75</u>	<u>\$1,777.59</u>	
				CR \$ 1,723.84

Accounting Department
April 3rd, 1945

EVACUATION SECTION	
MAR 30 1948	
Rec'd	
File No.	11761
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Trickerson</i>

March 24th/48
 450 Burrows Ave.
 Winnipeg, Man.

Mr. C. H. Reed,
 Office of Custodian.

Dear Sir: —

In answer to your letter of Feb 17th
 instant this is to confirm that the follow-
 ing accounts are my responsibility

Mo. Furuya Co Ltd.

B. C. Packers Ltd.

Western Lickie Ltd.

Standard Oil of B. C. Ltd.

National Harbour Board.

Sorry that my answer is so late. I was
 out of town and did ~~not~~ not get back
 till just a few days ago. I remain

Yours truly
 Harry Kaname Tsuchiya

SECTION	SECTION
MAR 31 1948	
11761	
Referred	Paterson

March 23rd/48
450 Burrows Ave
Winnipeg, Man.

Mr. A. Watson
Secretary to the Commission.

Dear Sir:—

In reply to your letter of Feb 10th instant I wish to state that I have not received any statement to my account at anytime from the custodian and if you can send it to me I will be much obliged.

I have just got back into town a day or two ago and so this delay in your reply I remain

Yours Truly

Hany Kaname Tsuchiya

Ref No. 10838

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 10 1948
File No.	11 461
Ans.	
Referred	Reed

450 Burnside Ave.
Winnipeg, Man
April 7th / 48

C. H. Reed.
Office of the Custodian -

Dear Sir: -

This is to confirm the letter of your Feb 17th instant and to notify you that the following accounts are my responsibility and should be charged to my account.

M. Furuya Co Ltd.

B.C. Packers Ltd.

Western Leekie Ltd.

Standard Oil of B.C. Ltd.

National Harbour Board.

I have written once before but having received word from my father that nothing has been done about his account I thought I write again. I remain

Yours truly

Harry K. Tsuchiyama

April 8, 1948.

Mr. Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA,
Reg. No. 10838,
450 Burrows Avenue,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 24th ultimo, in which you acknowledge the responsibility of a number of claims lodged against you, we wish to advise that we have made payments from your account as follows:

	<u>Amount of Claim</u>	<u>Paid on Account</u>
M. Furuya Co.	\$1,738.53	\$1,270.38
Western Leckie	259.12	189.34
Standard Oil Co.	259.00	189.25
B. C. Packers	88.26	64.49
National Harbours Board	14.20	10.38
	<u>\$2,359.11</u>	<u>\$1,723.84</u>

Since your credit balance was only \$1,723.84, and the total amount of claims was \$2,359.11, we were not able to pay each claim in full and, as per the statement above, have paid an amount on account at the rate of 73.071 cents on the dollar.

Yours truly,

CHR/fm

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

11261
B. 131

April 9, 1948.

H. FUNUYA Company Limited,
c/o P. S. Ross & Sons,
411 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA, Reg. No. 10835

We attach hereto Custodian cheque for \$1,270.38,
as payment on account of the claim for \$1,738.53, lodged against the
above named Japanese.

The enclosed cheque represents the only and
final distribution of the entire assets of this man to his creditors,
on the basis of 73.071 cents on the dollar. Will you, therefore,
accept this cheque in full settlement of your claim? If so, kindly
send us your receipt for the enclosed cheque in full settlement.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHH/fm
enc. (1)

11261
E. 131

April 9, 1948.

M. FURUYA Company Limited,
c/o P. S. Ross & Sons,
411 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA, Reg. No. 10838

We attach hereto Custodian cheque for \$1,270.38,
as payment on account of the claim for \$1,738.53, lodged against the
above named Japanese.

The enclosed cheque represents the only and
final distribution of the entire assets of this man to his creditors,
on the basis of 73.071 cents on the dollar. Will you, therefore,
accept this cheque in full settlement of your claim? If so, kindly
send us your receipt for the enclosed cheque in full settlement.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/rn
enc. (1)

11261

April 9, 1948.

National Harbours Board,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA. Reg. No. 10838

We attach hereto Custodian cheque for \$10.38,
as payment on account of the claim for \$14.20, lodged against the
above named Japanese.

The enclosed cheque represents the only and
final distribution of the entire assets of this man to his creditors,
on the basis of 73.07 cents on the dollar. Will you, therefore,
accept this cheque in full settlement of your claim? If so, kindly
send us your receipt for the enclosed cheque in full settlement.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/fa
enc. (1)

11261

April 8, 1948.

Standard Oil Company of British Columbia Limited,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA. Reg. No. 10538

We attach hereto Custodian cheque for \$189.25, as payment on account of the claim for \$259.00, lodged against the above named Japanese.

The enclosed cheque represents the only and final distribution of the entire assets of this man to his creditors, on the basis of 73.071 cents on the dollar. Will you, therefore, accept this cheque in full settlement of your claim? If so, kindly send us your receipt for the enclosed cheque in full settlement.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/fm
enc. (1)

11261

April 9, 1948.

Western Lockie Limited,
148 Alexander Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA, Reg. No. 10838

We attach hereto Custodian cheque for \$189.34,
as payment on account of the claim for \$259.12, lodged against the
above named Japanese.

The enclosed cheque represents the only and final
distribution of the entire assets of this man to his creditors, on the
basis of 73.071 cents on the dollar. Will you, therefore, accept
this cheque in full settlement of your claim? If so, kindly send us
your receipt for the enclosed cheque in full settlement.

Yours very truly,

CHR/rm
enc. (1)

C. H. Ased,
Office of the Custodian.



IN YOUR REPLY QUOTE

FILE NO. F-2-25

NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD
VANCOUVER HARBOUR
VANCOUVER, B.C.

April 13, 1948.

Mr. C.H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian, Japanese Section.
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville Sts.,
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 14 1948
File No.	11861
Ans.	
Referred	<i>[Signature]</i>

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 9, 1948 enclosing cheque for the sum of \$10.58 on account of claim for \$14.20 owing by Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA.

We note that this cleans up this man's assets by distribution of same to his creditors on the basis of 73.071 cents on the dollar.

Under these circumstances we will accept this in payment of this account.

Yours very truly,

A.E. McMaster
A.E. McMaster,
Port Manager.

FWGS:EM

P. S. Ross & Sons

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

MONTREAL TORONTO WINNIPEG
CALGARY VANCOUVER
SAINT JOHN N. B.

Rec'd	<i>April 15</i>
File No.	
Ans.	
Revised	

411 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver, B. C.
14th April, 1948Our File 295-136Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.Attention: Mr. C. H. Reed

Dear Sir:

re: Harry Kaname Tsuchiya, Reg. No. 10838
and M. Furuya Company Limited

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of your
cheque in the sum of \$1,270.38, being payment in full
of the claim of M. Furuya Company Limited against this
man, of \$1,738.53.

Yours faithfully,

P. S. Ross

British Columbia Packers Limited

OUR SPECIALTY
CLOVER LEAF
BRAND



SALMON

FOOT OF CAMPBELL AVE.
VANCOUVER.
CANADA

CABLE ADDRESS: PACKERS
ALL CODES USED
P. O. BOX 838

PACKERS OF FINEST CANNED
SALMON UNDER MANY
WELL KNOWN BRANDS

April 14, 1948.

Department of Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings and Granville Streets,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 14 1948
File No.	11761
Atts.	
Referred	<i>[Signature]</i>

Dear Sirs:-

Your File No. 11261.

Thank you for your letter dated April 9th, 1948,
enclosing a cheque for \$64.49, as payment in full for
the account of Harry Kaname Tsuchiya, Reg. No. 10838.
Attached please find a receipt for same.

Yours truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LIMITED.

A. E. Lawson

Credit Department.

AEL/jb
enc.

Commonwealth Trust Company of British Columbia Limited

HEAD OFFICE: VANCOUVER, B.C.

STANOVAN REFINERY: BURNABY, B.C.

ERNEST BAXTER
CREDIT MANAGER

MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B.C.

May 20th, 1948.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 25 1948
File No.	11261
Ans.	
Released	<i>[Signature]</i>

The Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings and Granville Streets,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Kamame Tsuchiya, Reg. No. 10838

We acknowledge with thanks your cheque for \$189.25,
and wish to apologize for the delay in replying to your letter of
April 8th.

We are prepared to accept the above-mentioned cheque in
full settlement of our claim against Mr. Tsuchiya, and enclose
our receipt for that amount in accordance with your request.

Yours very truly,

E. Baxter

E. Baxter.

[Signature]

EB/DH.
Enc.

NAME TSUCHIYA, Harry Kameo

REGISTRATION NO. 10838

FILE NO. 11261

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 992 Powell St., Vancouver, B.C. on March 2, 1944.

4 Screens

\$.25

Total:

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 0.02
(Advertising: 0.01
(Hauling: 0.02

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$	0.25
\$	0.04
\$	0.21

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering list No.

Vancouver 12.

Remarks.

NAME YOUNG, Harry James

REGISTRATION NO. 10238

FILE NO. 11261

The following chattels were sold by public auction at 992 Pencil St., Vancouver on February 9 & 10, 1944.

Display case	1.25
1 Fish thrower	1.50
2 Sledge hammers	1.25
Chicken wire	.25
Warehouse truck	3.00
Cupboard	1.00
Stationary gas engine	11.50
Tools	1.00
2 Pulleys	2.50
2 Rubber Guides	2.00
Cutter	.10
Shafting & clutch	12.00
Machine	1.50
5 Lanterns	1.25
Box Miscellaneous	1.50
Roller	1.00
Marine parts	1.50
3 Boxes Miscellaneous	6.00
Flower pots	2.00
Tools	.75

Total:

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 5.00
(Advertising: 2.50
(Hauling: 4.12

Net Proceeds Credited:

90.85
12.00
36.85

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering list No.

Vancouver 10.

Remarks.

No list of chattels on file.

October 3rd, 1943

MEMORANDUM

TO FILE:

FROM MR. SPAIN:

Re: TSUCHIYA, H. & H.K., Files 737 & 2105
2235 Triumph St. Van B.C.

H.K. Tsuchiya came to Vancouver & spent several days sorting & packing chattels at 2235 Triumph St. He states that many articles of value are missing and as this place had been ransacked it is probably true. The goods in this White building had been insured against burglary & he is making a claim for his loss.

31 pieces were shipped to his father H. Tsuchiya at Revelstoke.
1 Box to Miss R. Hyodo at New Denver, B.C.
3 pieces to H.K. Tsuchiya, at Kaslo, B.C.

Truck charges & freight were all prepaid by H.K. Tsuchiya.

The chattels remaining at 2235 Triumph are as follows, One(1) Japanese diesel engine, One(1) Small stationary engine.

The owner is going to try and arrange a sale for these on his return to Kaslo. Failing this he will send for the small stationary engine, & the Custodian will have to dispose of the diesel.

There are a number of old homemade cupboards, tables etc. that the owner had no use for & that are not salable, & I have been instructed to dispose of them as I see fit, they will be given to someone for hauling them away.

There is some Marine hardware & boat parts new & used, these are to be sold, would try and sell them on the premises but failing this would move them to Steveston.

The Tsuchiya's have the use of this part of the building until June 1944 but would advise immediate disposal of Marine goods as these premises are not what you would call safe, since the new owner who is engaged in making war material would like to have this space for storage as soon as possible.

[Handwritten signature]

- (d) In whose care was property left at date of evacuation by the claimant. (This question refers to the terms of reference which exclude claims where the property was lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property. It involves some definite arrangement whereby you appointed someone to take care of the property and such person accepted the responsibility of so doing. Unless such an arrangement was made the question should be answered "in no one's care")

in care of Canadian Navy

- (e) Itemized description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1. Registered as follows: (SCWS)	Estimated Value \$
2. "Y.S." 1	Estimated Value \$
3. "Y.S." 2	Estimated Value \$400.00
4. "Y.S." 3 (goods left at Stavection, B.C. at the time of evacuation)	Estimated Value \$400.00
5. "Y.S." 4	Estimated Value \$400.00
6. "Y.S." 5	Estimated Value \$400.00
7. Gill Net Boat "MINE" License No. 6101 (gill net boat left at Skeena River, B.C. at the time of evacuation)	Estimated Value \$200.00
8.	Estimated Value \$
9.	Estimated Value \$
10.	Estimated Value \$

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$2,200.00

N.B.—If you cannot list all the items here prepare a separate list with values set out opposite each item and attach it to the form. The item "personal property" includes shares, bonds, mortgages, loans, notes and all other forms of property not included in real estate.

- (f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - - - - - \$2,200.00)

- (g) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard.
(Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge,
Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.)

- (b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no No

Winnipeg

N.B.—This Declaration must be sworn before a Commissioner, Notary Public or other person entitled to take declarations. All lawyers are qualified to do so.

DOMINION OF CANADA,

Province of Manitoba,

TO WIT:

I, Harry Kaname Tsuchiya
of Winnipeg

of the City
in the Province of Manitoba

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the City

of Winnipeg
in the Province of Manitoba

this 15th day of January

A.D. 1947.

Harry K. Tsuchiya
A Commissioner &c.

N.B.—THIS FORM FULLY COMPLETED AND SWORN BEFORE A COMMISSIONER SHOULD BE MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE COMMISSIONER, c/o THE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN, ROYAL BANK BLDG., VANCOUVER, B.C. BEFORE NOVEMBER 30th, 1947. IF YOU CANNOT MAIL IT BEFORE THIS DATE SET OUT BELOW REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

JAN 17 1948

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission to Investigate Claims of Japanese Canadians for Property Losses.

TO: The Commissioner,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Pursuant to the notice issued on the 26th day of September, 1947, I submit the following claim:

(1) NAME TSUCHIYA MARY KANAME (RCMP) Reg. No. 10836
(2) Pre-Evacuation Address 881 Union Street, Vancouver, B.C.
(3) Present Address 450 Burrard Avenue, Kitsilano, Seattle, Wash.
(4) REAL ESTATE
(a) Street Address (if any) NONE
(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
City or Municipality, Province

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) Farm
(ii) Residence
(iii) Business
(iv) Any other type of property (describe)
(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.)

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
(i) Land
(ii) Buildings
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable)
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value)
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account
(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv))
\$ 111

(g) PERSONAL PROPERTY
(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation \$ 50000 at
Steveston, B.C., 1 9111 West Coast at Steveston River, B.C.
(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
Boat at Great West Cannery, Steveston, B.C., Boat at Steveston River, B.C.
(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation Tied up to dock

(over)

11261
EXHIBIT NO. 856-4

DATE 13th September 1949

FILED BY

Mr J. A. Macdonald

June 29th, 1942

We hereby declare that we have today received the
Certificates of British Registry on the following scows:-

1. "Y. S. No. 5" - 158307
2. "Y. S. No. 4" - 158306
3. "Y.S. No. 3" - 158305
4. "Y. S. No. 2" - 158304
5. "Y. S. No. 1" - 158303

from BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LIMITED.

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL
COMMITTEE

Per:

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

September 14th 1949

B. Seal

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Committee
THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE SIDNEY SMITH
CHAIRMAN
COMMANDER E. L. JOHNSON, O.S.S., R.C.N.R.
KISHIRO KIMURA
A. E. MCMASTER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

1928 MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER, B.C.

EXHIBIT NO. 856-

DATE Sept 13/49

FILED BY

Mr J. O. Macdonald

August 13th, 1942.

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

Dear Sirs:

ATTENTION: MR. GREEN

We enclose herewith certificates
of British Registry on the following scows:--

1.	"Y. S. No. 5"	-	158307
2.	"Y. S. No. 4"	-	158306
3.	"Y. S. No. 3"	-	158305
4.	"Y. S. No. 2"	-	158304
5.	"Y. S. No. 1"	-	158303

from BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LIMITED.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of same.

Yours very truly,

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

PER

Jo McMaster

JAM:RO
ENCL.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMMITTEE

File
11261
To: Mr. Good

From: F. Matheson

August 20, 1943

MEMORANDUM RE FILE NO. 11261 Harry K. TSUCHIYA

In regard to Envelope No. 344, said to contain Certificates of British Registry for vessels "Y.S." Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, the boat records do not contain reference to any boats of this name owned by this man, although we do have a number of boats listed in his name. These are probably scows, but it would be necessary to look at the certificates to find out anything about the boats.

Would it be possible to let me have these certificates?

29

11261

August 31, 1943

Mr. Harry Kanine TSUCHIYA,
Registration No. 10838,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

No reply has been received to our letter of
January 12th, regarding the following scows:

"Y. S. #1"
"Y. S. #2"

"Y. S. #3"
"Y. S. #4"

"Y. S. #5"

Would you kindly let us know with whom these were left?

We note that your statement of personal property
lists the following:

"One 29 foot gas boat in the custody of the Navy at
Skeena River, B. C. ("Miney") License No. 6101."

Apparently some mistake has been made in this, as the boat
is not among those taken into custody by the Navy. Would
you kindly let us know to whom the boat was given? If you
have any receipt to prove that this boat was turned over to
Naval Service, please give us full particulars. Would you
also let us have a complete description of the boat, with
license number and naval control number?

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

June 1, 1942.

RECEIVED - MAJOR McALLISTER

Attached are both files. Would you please have placed on files revised summaries of claims showing proper allocation between Hajime TSUCHIYA and his son, Harry K. TSUCHIYA. The W. Furuya Company claim should be the responsibility of Harry K. TSUCHIYA and not of Hajime TSUCHIYA.

Would you then please deal with letter dated May 29th from Hajime TSUCHIYA, notifying the claimants of his statements and when you have finished with both files for the time being, please forward file No. 11261 to Mr. Shears who is dealing with Messrs. J. H. Todd & Sons.

RPA:MA

Case 856

COPY

MEMORANDUM

June 25, 1948.

Re: Scows Registered in the Name of Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA

August 13, 1942, the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee sent to the Custodian the Certificates of British Registry for the following:

Off. No.	Name	Dimensions	Built	Tonnage
158,303	Y.S.No.1	63.8 x 16.1x 4.1	1927	34.21
158,304	Y.S.No.2	63.0 x 16.1x 3.85	1928	31.93
158,305	Y.S.No.3	64.1 x 16.1x 3.8	1929	31.75
158,306	Y.S.No.4	66.2 x 17.15x3.75	1925	34.57
158,307	Y.S.No.5	60.0 x 16.1x 3.65	1925	28.13

These scows were not powered and therefore were not among the vessels impounded by the Naval Service.

The Certificates presumably were handed to the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee by the registered owner or by someone acting in his behalf. *See Packer's Log*

Mr. Harry Kaname Tsuchiya did not report ownership of these scows to the Custodian in his JP of July 9 1942. He did not reply to Custodian letters of January 12 and August 31, 1943, in which we asked where he had left these scows.

Custodian agents searched for these scows but did not find them.

F. MATHESON

To: Mr. Alexander

From: P. Matheson

August 30, 1943

MEMORANDUM To File No. 11261

In regard to the Certificates of British Registry covering the following scows:

"Y. S. No. 1" 158,303 - 63.8' x 16.1' x 4.1' (34.21 Ton)

"Y. S. No. 2" 158,304 - 63' x 16.1' x 3.85' (31.93 ton)

"Y. S. No. 3" 158,305 - 64.1' x 16.1' x 3.8' (31.75 ton)

"Y. S. No. 4" 158,306 - 66.2' x 17.15' x 3.75' (34.57 ton)

"Y. S. No. 5" 158,307 - 60' x 16.1' x 3.65' (28.13 ton)

These scows were built in 1933. They are owned by Harry Kaname Tsuchiya, Reg. No. 10838, and are clear of all encumbrances.

Miss Sullivan wrote to Harry K. Tsuchiya on January 12, 1943, in regard to these, and made some inquiries through our agents at Steveston. No reply was received from Tsuchiya. A memorandum from Miss Sullivan to Mr. Alexander, under date of January 12, states that our agents at Steveston believe they have located the scows. Nothing further was done about this.

Tsuchiya did not declare ownership of these scows, but he has a number of creditors. Claims to the value of over \$4,000.00 are on his file. Among these is \$1,738.53 owing to M. Furuya Co.

Do you think we should do something about these scows?

I have the Certificates and Tsuchiya's file. I am holding the latter to check on the disposal of various boats owned or said to be owned by this man.

14
EXHIBIT No. acall-7
DATE _____
FILED BY _____

Ha. 4511

September 17, 1949

B.C. Packers Ltd.
Ft. Campbell Ave.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Tsuchiya
Case 856

We are acting for the above Japanese claimant in respect of certain claims made by him before the Japanese Property Claims Commission. In this regard one of the claims relates to five scows the whereabouts of which no one seems to have any precise information.

These scows are registered under Nos. 158303 to 158307 inclusive and were numbered YS1 to YS5 inclusive. Our information is that on June 29, 1942 a letter was written by the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee to B.C. Packers acknowledging receipt of the Certificates of Registry on these scows and we would ask your assistance in determining what at that time or previously was the status of these scows. We would assume that from the scant information, the scows had at some period been in the possession of B. C. Packers and we would like to know if this is so and if so what disposition was made of them or alternatively how the Certificates of Registry came into the possession of B. C. Packers.

Any assistance you can give us in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL, BRAZIER, FISHER & MCMASTER

Per

DWC:WD

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

April 22, 1950.

G. Norrington

Kan 1861
Gillispie.

89 West Pender Street,
Vancouver, B.C.
January 26, 1950.

EXHIBIT No. 256-9
DATE Jan 30 1950
FILED BY R J McMaster

Mr. R.J. McMaster,
675 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I have carefully considered your inquiry regarding the value of the following scows:

Scow	Length	Beam	Depth	Year
YS 1	63.8	16.1	4.1	1927
YS 2	63	16.1	3.85	1928
YS 3	64.1	16.1	3.8	1929
YS 4	66.2	17.5	3.75	1925
YS 5	60	16.1	3.64	1925

You are interested in ascertaining the fair market value of these scows in the year 1942.

Obviously this value would vary considerably, according to the physical condition of the scows at that time and also as to whether, at that time, they were decked scows, or open fish scows. I have given this matter considerable thought, and have also made inquiries from other authorities, and it is my considered opinion that, providing these scows were in good physical condition in 1942, and were decked scows, a fair price would be \$2000.00 each. If, on the other hand, at that time, they were open scows and in good physical condition, a fair valuation would be \$1000.00, each.

I trust this is the information you require, and remain,

Yours faithfully,

"OSWALD H. NEW"
Oswald H. New

Coastal Towing Co. Ltd.

OH/jc

Enclosure.

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

April 22, 1950.

L. H. Thompson

26 April 1948

Claimant

STATEMENT RE CHATTELS

Before evacuation I together with my sons operated 9 seine boats which we chartered out on a share basis the various fishing Companies. I also operated two fish camps at Jervis Inlet and Klementu. For this reason I required to have a large quantity of net and gear and camp equipment.

Having this number of boats I operated my own boat repair shop near the mouth of Seymour Creek, Burrard Inlet and had there a variety of ship chandlery, equipment and tools for ship building and repairs. I had on hand a full set of chandlery which I had purchased from Edward Lipsett for a new boat which I was going to build.

Early in March 1942, as my premises were so near the water supply, the R.C.M.P. ordered me to move from my boat shop on 24 hours notice. I had a warehouse at 2235 Triumph St., Vancouver, B. C., so I moved all my tools, equipment and stock from the boat shop to the warehouse by truck. I did not have time to take an inventory. I called in my equipment from my fishing camps as well and stored these also in the warehouse.

Amongst my equipment I had a large "Hotshot" semi-Diesel 50 H.P. Motor of Japanese make. I had some of my workmen dismantly this engine in the garage at the warehouse premises. The left the heavy parts in the garage and greased the lighter parts and stored them in the warehouse.

One of my daughters expected to be married early in 1942 and I had purchased some new furniture and a set of new chinaware for her as a wedding present. This was purchased in 1941 from the Hudsons Bay Company for cash either in my own name or my daughter's name. I had the furniture stored at my married daughter's home (Mrs. Isomura) and the chinaware at my place on Union St. Neither the furniture or the chinaware ever used as due to the outbreak of war with Japan and evacuation the wedding had to be postponed. (It took place four years later at Revelstoke).

I did not declare the furniture at the time of filing my JP form, April 3, 1942, as it was at my daughter's home. The china, at my home, was covered by the general description of property shown in my JP form. Sometime later in April I moved the furniture and china to the warehouse.

In late April Macaulay Nicolls & Maitland approached me to sell the warehouse as they had a client who wanted it. I said I had a lot of goods stored there and that I would sell only if I could reserve part of the upstairs to store my goods. The purchaser agreed provided that this area (about 25' x 100') was partitioned off. I stored all my tools, equipment, netting, lines, etc. and the above noted furniture and china in that space (except the heavy parts of the engine in the garage) locked the door and handed the key to the Custodian. Macaulay, Nicolls suggested to me that I insure the chattels and I did so in the sum of \$2000.00.

When I delivered the key to the Custodian (I believe it was to Mr. Shiers) he asked me if I had an inventory. I said I had not had time to make an inventory. He said that was alright, that his office would check up, make an inventory and send me a

After I left the coast I had several letters from the Custodian asking about an inventory. On Oct. 1/42 I wrote the Custodian saying that it was not possible to make an inventory without attending at the premises as there were so many items stored. We were asked for a permit to go to the coast for this purpose. By letter dated 1942 the Custodian replied that he was unable to arrange for a permit but "I'll, ourselves, make and submit to you as soon as possible an inventory of what is left behind."

In 1942 I received a letter from Macaulay Nicolls & Co. asking me to assent to my insurance policy as some of my chattels had been moved to Vancouver. Upon receipt of this letter I wrote the Custodian objecting to the request for a detailed list "of everything such as furniture, engine and parts, and other items which have been moved to 992 East Powell St. Vancouver, B. C., on Triumph Street, Vancouver, B. C."

In reply to my letter of Aug. 15/42 from the Custodian but no mention of removal (letter Oct. 5/42). I do not recall hearing from the Custodian with respect to this matter. The Custodian subsequently advised that the items had not been moved.

BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LIMITED

Foot of Campbell Ave.,
P.O. Box 939,
VANCOUVER, Canada.

Celtic Shipyard,
Ft. Blenheim St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

January 10, 1950.

EXHIBIT No. 856-7

DATE Jan 20-50

FILED BY M. M. M.

H. J. B.

Messrs. Campbell Brasier Fisher
McMaster & Johnson,
675 W. Hasting St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Harry Tsuchiya - No. 856.

Your letter of December 21st, 1949 to
British Columbia Packers Limited has been handed to me.
There were a number of well type or open scows tied along
the bank of the river at Steveston in 1942. They were
I believe, taken in custody by Navy Officials.

Sorry I am not able to give you more
definite detail.

Yours truly,

" C.H. GILLESPIE"
Manager,
Celtic Shipyard.

CHG/jm

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

April 22, 1950.

G. H. Gillespie

EXHIBIT NO. 856-6
DATE Sept 12/49
FILED BY Mr. J. A. Macdonald
H.

Case No. 856 - Harry Kaname Tsuchiya, File 11261

Re: Claim for 5 Scows & Evidence at Hearing

Gross Claim: 5 Scows at \$400.00 each - \$2,000.00
\$1,400.00 \$2,500.00

The scows were not reported to Custodian in JP of July 9, 1942. The Certificates of Registry for the scows were handed to the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee by British Columbia Packers Ltd. on June 29, 1942. These Certificates were handed to Custodian by J.F.V.D.C. on August 13, 1942. The Custodian searched around Steveston (from some source information that the scows had been left at the Takahashi Boathouse was given to the Custodian) but the scows were not found at the Takahashi Boathouse or at any place in Steveston. January 13, 1943 and again on August 31, 1943, letters were sent to Mr. Harry Tsuchiya asking him where the scows had been left. He did not reply to these letters. In October, 1943, Mr. Tsuchiya visited the Custodian's office, but was unable to give any information to assist us in finding the scows.

Transcript P.2.L.4-"When did the Custodian take possession of them?"

The answer is that the Custodian did not at any time take possession of these scows. Claimant did not (because he was unable to or because he did not wish to) give the Custodian information that would have enabled the Custodian make a systematic search for the scows.

Information from the Registrar of Shipping, Vancouver, is that registered scows, unlike powered vessels, do not have registration numbers carved into the hull. The numbers are painted on and can be removed without difficulty. This, and the physical appearance of scows, shows why scows could not be easily traced even when the searcher has a location from which the search can be started. In this case the Custodian had the Certificates of Registry and information that the scows had been at Steveston at some time before August 13, 1942, only.

Transcript. P.5-L.10-20-"Have you any knowledge that the Navy took over these scows?"
A. "I can't tell you exactly, I can only presume that they took over our fleet and that they took them to the north arm of the Fraser River. I asked permission from the Navy to go and see about the scows but I was restricted and they would not give me permission to go down there and they told me they would look after it and that is the last I know."

It is difficult to understand why claimant (a literate, intelligent person) and the owner of several powered boats that were in custody should not have been aware that the only vessels impounded by the Navy were powered boats.

There is no evidence to show that claimant at any time up to his evacuation required permission to go to Steveston to look for his scows. In any case, such permission would not be obtained from the Navy. Permits were issued by the RCMP to the persons in Hastings Park and to evacuated persons.

In view of the fact that the Navy were not interested in scows and were anxious to be relieved of the custody of the powered boats that had been impounded, it is difficult to understand the Navy undertaking to look after Mr. Tsuchiya's scows.

/TM

Tomachan
Nov 24/45

6

File No.	1131
Date	12/12/43
Initials	W.S.

File No. 1131.

12th January, 1943.

MEMORANDUM: To Mr. R. F. Alexander.

From Miss Sullivan.

Re: Harry E. TOUCHIA,
Registration No. 10232.

Since receiving your memo of January 9th I have been endeavouring to locate the snows in question, but it was not until this morning that I was able to obtain any information whatsoever. Our agents at Stevenson believe they have now located these snows. As soon as I receive definite information I will have Mr. Gould survey the snows and shall pass particulars along to you.

For your information, I have a paper waiting for these same particulars.

W.S.

MEMORANDUM

File 11,261
HARRY TSUCHIYA. June 25, 1948

Re: Scows Registered in the Name of Harry Kanine Tsuchiya

August 13, 1942, the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee sent to the Custodian the Certificates of British Registry for the following:

Off. No.	Name	Dimensions	Built	Tonnage
158,303	Y.S.No.1	63.8 x 16.1 x 4.1	1927	34.21
158,304	Y.S.No.2	63.0 x 16.1 x 3.85	1928	31.93
158,305	Y.S.No.3	64.1 x 16.1 x 3.8	1929	31.75
158,306	Y.S.No.4	66.2 x 17.15 x 3.75	1925	34.57
158,307	Y.S.No.5	60.0 x 16.1 x 3.65	1925	28.13

These scows were not powered and therefore were not among the vessels impounded by the Naval Service.

The Certificates presumably were handed to the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee by the registered owner or by someone acting in his behalf.

Mr. Harry Kanine Tsuchiya did not report ownership of these scows to the Custodian in his JP of July 9, 1942. He did not reply to Custodian letters of January 12 and August 31, 1943, in which we asked where he had left these scows.

Custodian agents searched for these scows but did not find them.

The Certificates of British Registry are in an envelope in the "Scow" Section of the Custodian Individual Boat Files.

/m

June 25, 1948

To Government Counsel

From: F. Matheson

Re: Harry Kanine TSUCHIYA, Reg. No. 10638, File 11261

In regard to the scows, our records do not show that Mr. Tsuchiya at any time told the Custodian when he had last seen his scows. These scows may have been missing before July 9/42 when he reported his property to the Custodian. This might be the reason he did not report ownership of the scows at that time. Scows were not impounded by Naval Service; powered vessels were impounded.

According to information obtained from the Registrar of Shipping office, Vancouver, the official numbers of a scow (unlike a powered registered vessel) do not need to be carved on the hull. If this is so, it would be a simple matter to destroy the identification of a registered scow. An unregistered scow would run into difficulties in regard to clearance papers, but such papers do not appear to be essential to the operation of a vessel.

In regard to the "Miner", we do not know that the vessel "Hellen" appraised by Mr. O.W. Phillipson at Cassiar Cannery was the "Miner", but that vessel ("Hellen") carried the Naval Identification No. of the "Miner", and these identification numbers were not transferrable.

/TM

Matheson

EXHIBIT No. 856-8
DATE Jan. 20/50
FILED BY _____

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

ADDRESS ALL
COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE
CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE
PLEASE REFER
TO
FILE NO. J-175

Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ontario
June 1st, 1951

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

Rec'd	June 5/51
File No.	11261
Ans.	
Referred	B. Good

Re: Japanese Claims Commission

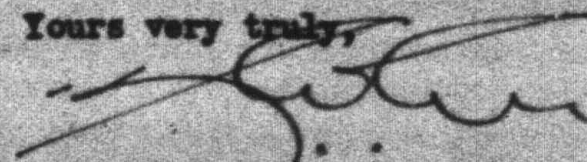
Dear Mr. Shears:

I enclose herewith copy of memorandum received from Mr. Stein under date of 31st ultimo.

You will note Paragraph 2 deals with the question of the scows and Mr. Stein has requested that we obtain your views regarding this matter.

Will you kindly let us have a report at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,


K. W. WRIGHT
CHIEF COUNSEL

KWW/JF
Encl.

506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.,
June 12, 1951.

E. W. Wright, Esq., K.C.,
Chief Counsel,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA - Case 856
5 Scows

Referring to your letter of June 1st in which you enclosed a copy of a memorandum from Mr. Stein.

I feel that there need not be any concern that these scows have been sold and may unexpectedly turn up at some future time. I am sending you a Certificate of British Registry No. 158303 for the I.S. No. 1, and we have similar certificates for the I.S. Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5. These were all registered in the name of Harry Kaname Tsuchiya by the Registrar of Shipping on January 7, 1941. Had these scows been sold, the purchaser would have required registration in his name and the production of these certificates would have been necessary.

We have today made enquiries from the Registrar of Shipping here and find that the 5 scows are still registered in Tsuchiya's name. The Registrar says that if the scows were stolen it would be a very simple matter to delete the name and registration number from the scows as the official number of a scow, unlike a powered registered vessel, does not need to be carved on the hull. In his opinion, even with the help of the R.C.M.P. he believes it would be absolutely impossible to trace these scows and that they might be in service today under a new Certificate of Registration. The Registrar suggests that it might be desirable for you to contact their Ottawa office and issue instructions for these registrations to be cancelled. If this is done, will you please return the Certificate of Registry which we have sent to you and we will surrender the same together with the other four Registrations to their office in Vancouver, and the scows will then officially cease to exist.

- 2 -

We have made enquiries from the B.C. Packers as to the reason why the Certificates of Registry were in their possession. They can give no clear reason for this and it is possible they were merely left in their care for safe custody.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FOS/GH
Encl.

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Canada.

June 14th, 1951.

MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. C. STEIN, K. C.

Re: Japanese Scows.

In accord with instructions contained in your memorandum of the 31st ultimo I asked Mr. Shears for a report herein.

Reply has been received as follows:

"I feel that there need not be any concern that these scows have been sold and may unexpectedly turn up at some future time. I am sending you a Certificate of British Registry No. 198303 for the Y.S. No. 1, and we have similar certificates for the Y.S. Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5. These were all registered in the name of Harry Kaname Tsuchiya by the Registrar of Shipping on January 7, 1941. Had these scows been sold, the purchaser would have required registration in his name and the production of these certificates would have been necessary.

"We have today made enquiries from the Registrar of Shipping here and find that the 5 scows are still registered in Tsuchiya's name. The Registrar says that if the scows were stolen it would be a very simple matter to delete the name and registration number from the scows as the official number of a scow, unlike a powered registered vessel, does not need to be carved on the hull. In his opinion, even with the help of the R.C.M.P. he believes it would be absolutely impossible to trace these scows and that they might be in service today under a new Certificate of Registration. The Registrar suggests that it might be desirable for you to contact their Ottawa office and issue instructions for these registrations to be cancelled. If this is done, will you please return the Certificates of Registry which we have sent to you and we will surrender the same together with the other four Registrations to their office in Vancouver, and the scows will then officially cease to exist.

Does this not
support my
apprehensions?
C.S.

"We have made enquiries from the B.C. Packers as to the reason why the Certificates of Registry were in their possession. They can give no clear reason for this and it is possible they were merely left in their care for safe custody."

? Hardly satis-
factory.
C.S.

App'd. / If you agree I will take the necessary steps to cancel the
C. Stein / registrations. Instructions would be appreciated.

Cancel the registrations but check as to investigation already made into the loss of these scows. There must be something as to that in the Commissioner's report or in the evidence presented to him or, at least, in the file of Mr. Shears.

K. W. Wright.

15/6/51 "C. Stein"
Deputy Custodian

CONFIDENTIAL

Ottawa, May 31, 1951.

MEMORANDUM

FOR THE ASSISTANT DEPUTY CUSTODIAN :

Attention: the Chief CounselRe: Bird Royal Commission on Japanese
claims and re objections raised
by the Auditor General

The Auditor General, Mr. Sellar, phoned me this morning and the matter is now entirely cleared up to his and my satisfaction, except in connection with the scows referred to in paragraph 2 hereof.

1. Mr. Sellar does not agree with the views of Mr. Adamson, of his office, as to the control of the Custodian over his funds. More particularly with respect to section 14 of the regulations established by P.C. 1665 of March 4, 1942, which provided that all expenses incurred by the British Columbia Security Commission or by any department or agency of the Government of Canada in connection with the enforcement or administration of the regulations should be paid out of moneys appropriated by Parliament to carry out measures deemed necessary in consequence of the existence of a state of war. Mr. Sellar said to me that he was not worried at all by the fact that we had paid our expenses thereunder out of our own funds. - Incidentally, I forgot to point out to him that he had mentioned that fact in his reports for 1948 and 1949. You will note, however, he there reported the view of the Assistant Deputy Custodian, that such was the proper course to follow, and he did not express disagreement with that view. It might even be said that he impliedly accepted that view and approved our course of action.

I pointed out to him that section 12 of the said regulations (this section was amended by P.C. 2483 of March 27, 1942) made the Trading with the Enemy Regulations applicable to the Custodian's control and administration of the Japanese property in question and that section 14 should be read in the light of and subject to section 12 and the effect probably was that section 14 did not apply to the Custodian's expenditures. He agreed with me on this point.

...

I did not make this argument, which is a possible one, namely that the words "any department or agency of the Government of Canada" in section 14 are inapplicable to the Custodian (quite apart from the effect of section 12).

Incidentally, the last paragraph of P.C. 469 of January 19, 1943 made the Trading with the Enemy Regulations applicable to the liquidation, sale or other disposition of the property by the Custodian the same as section 12 of the regulations established by P.C. 1665 of March 4, 1942 made the Trading with the Enemy Regulations applicable to the Custodian's control and management of the property.

2. As to the scows referred to in the last paragraph on page 1 of your memorandum of the 24th instant, Mr. Sellar is not concerned about the matter from a legal point of view or as to our authority to pay the award of \$5,000. in this connection. However, he said that his covering letter (to accompany his report) would mention this case and he was phoning me to explain to me in advance that his purpose in calling my attention to this case was to stress the advisability, from a policy and prudence point of view, for us to look further into the case, perhaps, inasmuch as he felt it looked somewhat strange and we would not want the scows to turn up unexpectedly in the future or to find that they had not been lost, as alleged, but perhaps sold (by the claimant?). He mentioned the First World War case of the Gypsum Queen as an example of what might possibly happen.

Please, if you have not already something from Mr. Shears on it, ask him to let you have his views on this case and on the advisability and possibility of our inquiring further into it to ascertain whether there is anything irregular about it. I presume that the naval authorities, who were alleged to have taken possession of the scows, were asked for and gave all the information they had?

The claimant may well have told the truth and I have no reason to suspect the contrary, but somebody may have stolen the scows from us.

How did B.C. Packers happen to have the registry certificates of these scows?

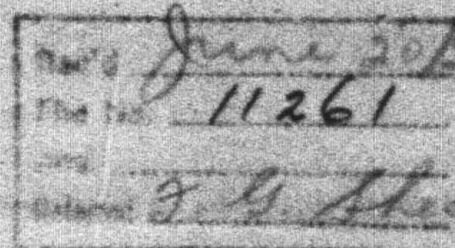
C. Stein,
Under Secretary of State
and Deputy Custodian.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

ADDRESS ALL
COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE
CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE
PLEASE REFER
TO
3-175
FILE NO.

Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ontario
June 18, 1951

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



Re: Japanese Scows

Dear Mr. Shears:

I have for acknowledgment your communication of the 12th instant and enclose herewith copy of memorandum to Mr. Stein, together with his comments.

I note that the Certificate of British Registry is signed by the Registrar of Shipping at Vancouver, B. C., and would suggest that you interview the Registrar and ascertain what he requires to cancel the registrations. Mr. Sheppard could then prepare an Affidavit for your signature and when the necessary material has been filed, the Registrar could strike the scows off the list.

This would be a much better method of handling the matter as it would be difficult for us to satisfy the Ottawa Registration Office since we have no particulars here concerning the scows and with such meagre information at hand I feel that neither Mr. Stein nor Mr. Mathieu would be prepared to sign any documents the Registrar might require.

Certificate of British Registry is being returned under separate cover.

Yours very truly,


K. W. WRIGHT
CHIEF COUNSEL

KWW/JF
Encl.

11261

July 18, 1951.

Registrar of Shipping,
Winch Building,
Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: 5 Japanese Scows - YS 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5

The above scows were registered in the name of Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA. At the time of evacuation of persons of the Japanese race from the protected area, Mr. TSUCHIYA did not supply any information to the Custodian in regard to these scows. The scows did not come into the possession of the Custodian and were not sold by him.

Mr. TSUCHIYA filed a claim for the loss of these scows before the Honourable Mr. Justice Henry I. Bird, Commissioner appointed to investigate Japanese property claims. The Commissioner concluded that the scows must be classified as lost, destroyed or stolen, and recommended an award of the sum of \$5000.00 which amount has been paid to Mr. TSUCHIYA.

Instructions have been received from Mr. E. W. Wright, Chief Counsel to the Custodian at Ottawa, advising us to ascertain from you what may be required to cancel these registrations. Our Mr. Good interviewed you today and on the basis that these scows are out of existence, we desire that the Certificates of Registry in the name of Mr. TSUCHIYA be cancelled. Mr. Wright suggests that any affidavit or document which may be required, should be prepared for my signature, so that you could strike the scows off the list. Your co-operation in this regard would be appreciated. Certificates of British Registry as follows, are enclosed herein:

Official No. 158303, YS 1, dated 27th Oct. 1933, Transferred 7th Jan. 1940.		
" No. 158304, YS 2	do	do
" No. 158305, YS 3	do	do
" No. 158306, YS 4	do	do
" No. 158307, YS 5	do	do

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/GH
Encl.

J. L. S.

Just had a phone call from the
Registrar of Shipping, 2.45 P.M. Aug. 1.
He has just now received a letter from
Ottawa authorizing him to close the
Register on the 5. Snow of Tsucheyá.

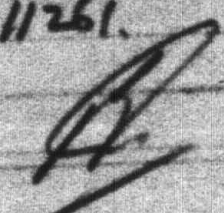
Asks him to write us to
that effect she says he will do so.

Dr.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

ADDRESS ALL
COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE
CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE
PLEASE REFER
TO
FILE NO. J-175

Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ontario
July 23, 1951

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd JUL 24 1951	
File No. 11261	
WCS	
RECEIVED	

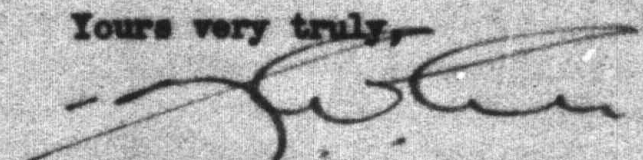
F. G. Shears, Esq.,
Director,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Japanese Scows

Dear Mr. Shears:

With reference to my communication of the 18th ultimo,
will you kindly let me have a report as to the present position of
this matter.

Yours very truly,


R. W. WRIGHT
CHIEF COUNSEL

KWW/JF

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

25th July, 1951.

K.W. Wright, Esq., K.C.,
Chief Counsel,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: 5 Japanese Scows - YS 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5
Harry TSUCHIYA

We have for acknowledgment your letter of
23rd instant.

After receiving your letter of 18th June
we took the matter up with the Registrar of Shipping here
and on the 18th July we sent him the Certificates of
British Registry covering all five scows with a report on
the present standing of the matter. We informed him that
the Claims Commissioner had concluded that the scows must
be classified as lost, destroyed or stolen and had
recommended an award which had since been paid to Tsuchiya.

The Registrar has sent our report to his
Ottawa Office enquiring if anything further is required by
way of affidavit or other document, and will advise us on
receipt of advice from Ottawa. He has retained the
Registration Certificates and is of the opinion that nothing
further will be required by way of proof to allow him to
cancel the Registrations in his Registry.

On receipt of his notification of Registry
cancellation or otherwise, we will promptly advise you so
that your file in the matter can be closed.

Yours very truly,



B. Good,
Comptroller.

BG:HA

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

ADDRESS ALL
COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE
CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE
PLEASE REFER
TO
FILE NO.

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, 4, Ontario.

July 30th, 1951.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	AUG 1 1951
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

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

Dear Mr. Shears:

I enclose herewith copy of Excerpts
from The Auditor General's letter to Mr. Stein Under
date of June 2, 1951.

Will you kindly submit a report in
order that Mr. Arpin may include explanation in his
submission to the Deputy Custodian.

An early reply would be greatly
appreciated.

Yours very truly,


K. W. Wright.
Chief Counsel.

KWW/G
Enc.

Claim 861

*Compensation from Government of Navy in 1915 to 1918 to protect ship
and to protect the ship from the Navy in 1915 to 1918*

*Conclude. Came into fact into physical (disease) of body
& since were not satisfied with it did not appear by Court
- were lost. "Same disease from Salomon's log"*

Excerpts from The Auditor General's Letter to
Mr. Charles Stein, Deputy Custodian, under date
of June 2nd, 1951.

Page 3, Paragraphs 1 and 4.

Vancouver Branch - Evacuee Section (pages 11 and 12). A review of some files relating to claim awards discloses that five scows, covered by Case 856, apparently never came into possession of the Custodian nor of any other Government agency, and apart from the fact that the scows appear to have been registered in his name, the claimant never saw or used them. In the circumstances it is not apparent how the award, of \$5,000 in this case, is regarded as justified in view of the proviso in 1(b) of Order in Council P.C. 1810 of July 18, 1947, as amended by P.C. 3737 of September 17, 1947, stating that no claim shall be considered in respect of property lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person, other than the Custodian, appointed by the owner of the property.

Bonds of indemnity re lost cheques. Since October 1, 1950 the Vancouver Branch has replaced three cheques reported missing by the payees. Bonds of indemnity to safeguard the Custodian against loss were not obtained. It is suggested that in future this safeguard be adopted before such replacements are made.

July 30/51

E. Arpin
Comptroller.

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
3rd August, 1951.

K.W. Wright, Esq., K.C.,
Chief Counsel,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa 4, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Wright:

I am enclosing a letter in reply to
yours of July 30th (no file number).

I presume you are aware that the
Auditor General's enclosure referred to the Japanese
accus in regard to which there has been previous correspondence
with yourself and Mr. Stein, however, I draw this to your
attention. Your file number on previous correspondence
was J-175.

I hope the enclosed reply will be
satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FCS:HA
Encl.

11261

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
3rd August, 1951.

K.W. Wright, Esq., K.C.
Chief Counsel,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Wright:

I have for attention your letter of July 30th, enclosing excerpts from the Auditor General's letter to Mr. Stein Deputy Custodian, dated 2nd June.

This concerns a claim for \$7000.00 made by Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA for the value of 5 scows, in regard to which the Commissioner recommended payment of an award of \$5000.00. The scows were registered in the name of Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA, but in evidence he admitted that he knew very little about these scows, the alleged reason for this being that although they were registered in his name, his father operated two fishing camps and chartered a number of boats for fishing operations, and that his father was more fully aware of the details concerning these scows.

Harry Kaname Tsuchiya gave evidence before a sub-commissioner at Winnipeg and at that time it was suggested that the case could be re-opened at Vancouver and the father called to give evidence. The case was re-opened at Vancouver by Government Counsel Braidwood and reviewed by Commissioner, the Honourable Mr. Justice Henry Bird, but the father was not called to give any evidence.

The Auditor General states that the 5 scows "apparently never came into the possession of the Custodian, nor of any other Government Agency", and relying on the clause in the Terms of Reference that "no claim shall be considered in respect of property lost, destroyed or stolen while under the

3rd August, 1951

custody, control or management of any person, other than the Custodian," he is of the opinion that no award was justifiable. While we may agree that this was the conclusion that should have been reached, the fact remains that the conclusion reached by the Commissioner was that these scows had actually come into the physical possession of the Navy, and as they were not sold by the J.F.V.D.C., they vested in the Custodian, even although these scows were not found by us. This is set out in the Commissioner's Report dated February 1, 1950. He, therefore, brings these vessels under the "lost, destroyed or stolen" category, and on that basis made his award.

As you are aware Order-in-Council P.C. 3027 authorised the carrying out of all of the Commissioner's recommendations, and the award of \$5000.00 recommended in this particular case has already been paid, and the usual Form of Release signed by Harry Kanane Tsuchiya.

I may say that the restrictive provision regarding "custody other than the Custodian" referred to above was not made as effective as we considered was intended. The Commissioner rarely ruled out a claim on that basis, even when this submission was made by Government Counsel, and he almost invariably considered that responsibility rested on the Custodian, and as a result gave favourable consideration to the claim.

Enquiries at the office of the Registrar of Shipping has established that these scows have not been transferred to any other party, and we informed the Registrar that the Claims Commissioner had concluded that these scows should be classified as lost, destroyed or stolen. We have returned the Certificates of Registry which were originally handed to us by the J.F.V.D.C. to the Registrar, and he has now informed us that he has received a letter from his Ottawa Office authorising him to close the Register on these 5 scows. This will remove any possibility of any further transfers being made in connection with these scows or the possibility of the Custodian being implicated in any way in the future.

The second matter dealt with by the Auditor General concerns Bonds of Indemnity re lost cheques. Reference was made to the replacing of three cheques reported as missing by the payees, we note that it is suggested that in future Bonds of Indemnity to safeguard the Custodian against loss should be obtained before replacements are made.

For your information the following undertaking is typed

K.W. Wright, Esq., K.C.

- 3 -

3rd August, 1951.

at the foot of any letter enclosing a new cheque to replace one which has been lost or destroyed. The letter is sent in duplicate and the Japanese signs and returns one copy for our records.

I, do hereby undertake to return to the office of the Custodian of Enemy Property immediately cheque No. dated in my favour for \$ should it come into my possession at some future date.

Date

Signed

There are approximately 70 cheques which have been outstanding for a long time, some of them as long ago as 1942, and many of these are for less than one dollar. If new cheques are called for, in view of the smallness of the amounts, we would suggest that the necessity of securing an indemnity might be given further consideration.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FOS:HA



NATIONAL REVENUE, CANADA
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE
REVENU NATIONAL DU CANADA
DOUANES ET ACCISE

Port of Vancouver, B.C.
Bureau de

August 3rd 1951

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

Attention Mr. Goode

Dear Sir: Re vessels "Y.S. 1" 2, 3, 4, 5

In reference to the above five vessels this is to advise that on instructions from the Department of Transport, Ottawa, I have this day closed the Registers and cancelled the Certificates of British Registry on the above vessels,

Yours truly,

Asst. Registrar of Shipping

NCH/H

COPY

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa 4, Ontario.

August 7, 1951.

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

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Japanese Scows
Bonds of Indemnity for Lost Cheques

I have for acknowledgment your communications
of the 3rd instant.

The reports are satisfactory and copy has been
handed to Mr. Arpin.

Yours very truly,

K.W. Wright
Chief Counsel

KWW/G

11 261

CLAIM NO. 856 - Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA

This claim is made in respect of 5 scows which are described in some detail in Exhibit 3, all of which were built between 1925 and 1929, and were approximately 63 ft. long by 16 ft. wide with 4 ft. draught, having an approximate tonnage of 33 tons.

The scows are said by the claimant to have been left at Cassiar Cannery, Skeena, B.C., and the Certificates of Registry delivered to the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee.

None of these vessels were found by the Custodian and, although the Certificates of Registry were delivered to the J.F.V.D.C., such Certificates are in the nature of documents of title. The evidence does not show whether physical possession of the scows was obtained by the Committee.

The claimant testified that he asked permission of the Navy to "see about the scows, but I was restricted and they would not give me permission to go down there and they told me they would look after it, and that is the last that I know."

The claimant did not disclose the existence of the scows in his J.P. form, but this omission may have been due to the fact that at the date of evacuation when the J.P. forms were furnished by evacuees the Custodian had no jurisdiction in the matter of water borne vessels.

I conclude that the loss of these scows has resulted from the omission either of the Navy or of the J.F.V.D.C. to take steps to protect them when the Certificates of Registry were delivered to the J.F.V.D.C. about June 29th 1942 (See Exhibit 4). It appears from the latter document that the Certificates of Registry were delivered to the J.F.V.D.C. by British Columbia Packers Ltd., at some time prior to June 29th 1942. These Certificates of Registry were delivered by the J.F.V.D.C. to the Custodian on August 13th 1942.

It appears that the Custodian then caused a search to be made, but was unable to find the scows.

Investigations made by Counsel for the claimant have produced the following information from the Manager of British Columbia Packers Ltd., Celtic Shipyard, Steveston B.C.-

"There were a number of well type or open scows tied along the bank of the river at Steveston in 1942. They were I believe taken in custody by Navy Officials.

(See Exhibit 7)

In view of the foregoing, I conclude that the vessels in fact came into the physical possession of the Navy subsequent to the claimant's evacuation and, since the same were not sold by the J.F.V.D.C., will have vested in the Custodian as at August 1st 1942. It has been shown that the scows were not found by the Custodian. In these circumstances, I conclude that they must be classified as lost, destroyed or stolen, although the available evidence is far from satisfactory.

The claimant alleges that each scow had a market value of \$1400.00. He therefore seeks to recover the sum of \$7000.00 in respect of their loss.

On my direction Counsel has obtained a report from a Vancouver firm engaged in scow operation on the value of scows of the same type as those which are the subject of this claim. This estimate, which is based on the descriptions set out in the claim and in the Certificates of Registry, shows the vessels to have been worth \$1000.00 each at the date of the claimant's evacuation. This report is filed as Exhibit 11.

I am of opinion that the fair market value of these scows at the date of vesting in the Custodian was \$1000. each. I THEREFORE RECOMMEND payment to the claimant of the sum of \$5000.00 for 5 scows lost or stolen.

February 1st 1950.

856

H. I. BIRD
Commissioner.

196

Name of Claimant

TSUCHIYA, Harry Kaname

Case

856

Custodian File

11261

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 & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column				
		✓				✓					
											5000.00
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	
MISCELLANEOUS CHATELS											
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											5000.00

11261

October 5th, 1950.

Mr. H. Kaname TSUCHIYA,
P. O. Box 532,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case No. 856

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, Release executed by yourself covering the award recommended under the above Commission, for the sum of \$5,000.00.

Cheque for \$4,660.77 is enclosed herein, and the sum of \$339.23 has been paid to the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians for legal fees as authorized.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/js
1 encl.

Defence Brief

WINNIPEG
1 Sept. 48

Harry Kaname TSUCHIYA

File No. 11261

Case No. 856

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

<u>Claim</u> \$8200.	<u>5 Scows Numbers Y S 1. 2. 3. 4. & 5. value \$7000.</u> <u>Gill Net Boat 'Miney' License No. 6101 value \$1200.</u>	Not found.
-------------------------	--	------------

These Scows were not declared by claimant on his J.P. Form. Claimant did not reply to Custodian's letters of 12/1/43 and 31/8/43 asking him for particulars and location of these Scows as they could not be traced by Custodian's Agent and Custodian did not at any time take possession of them.

Mr. Moryson, Supervisor, reported that claimant, in an interview which he had with him, treated the matter very lightly and did not seem very co-operative in regard to straightening this matter out.

The J.F.V.D.C. turned over to Custodian the British Registry Certificates for the Scows on 13/8/42 which they received from B.C. Packers Ltd.

These Scows were never impounded by the Navy as they were not powered and there is no record that the vessel MINEY was taken into custody by the Navy who reported it as being on the beach at Cassiar Cannery, Skeena River.

In a report made by Mr. O.W. Phillipson, appraiser for the J.F.V.D.C., he reported that he had inspected the vessel HELEN and considered it to be of no value. When Custodian's Agent visited that point in search of Japanese boats it was not there & Mr. John Gould also visited the Cassiar Cannery and could find neither the MINEY or HELEN there.

It appears that the MINEY and HELEN were the same boat as they boat had the same Naval Identification number and claimant stated that he had never owned or heard of a boat called HELEN.

Claimant stated that his father was more fully aware of the details as to the Scows for although all the boats which he owned were in his name he had never seen these scows, and he will have to leave it to his father to give this information at the hearings in Vancouver. Claimant also stated that his father had rented the boat MINEY to a Skeena River fisherman.

It is contended that these scows were not reported and as far as the Custodian is concerned they had no knowledge of them. It is also contended that there was a boat, either the MINEY or the HELLEN, and that they are one and the same boat and that if the HELLEN is the MINEY, there was a boat discovered in the possession of the Navy in such a damaged condition that it was more or less abandoned and there will have to be further evidence on it as it cannot be dealt with now because all the evidence is in Vancouver. *Not in possession of Navy*

The Commissioner stated that the hearing of this particular case would be adjourned to the sitting in Vancouver to be fixed by the Commission for hearing of further evidence on behalf of the claimant.

Summary of Defence Witnesses

O. W. Phillipson

Where required

re 'Miney' Appraiser

BMP/mw

1.
CASE NO: 886

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

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.G. BUCKINGHAM; COMMISSIONER)
(SUB - COMMISSION)

10
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

September 1st, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

HARRY KAWANE TSUCHIYA

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

20
APPEARANCES:

F.M. FERG, ESQ.

Appearing for the
Dominion Government

S.M. Cherniak, Esq.

Appearing for the
Claimant

G.H.B. UPTON, Esq.,

Official Interpreter

MARK H. PEARCE, ESQ.

Official Reporter.

30

H.K. Tsuchiya,
In Chief

HARRY KANAME TSUCHIYA, the claimant herein
first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. CHERNIACK:

Q Mr. Tsuchiya, you are the gentleman who made the
claim for a certain five acous and a fishing boat
named Minoy? A: Yes.

Q I show you a typewritten statement, is that your
signature? A: Yes.

10 Q Do you swear the contents of this statement to be
true to the best of your knowledge and information?

A Yes.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

THE COMMISSIONER: Well, now, just so we know what we
are doing in regard to these vessels, when are you going
to lead up to them? He says they were in charge of the
Canadian Navy; were they ever in charge of the custodian?

MR. CHERNIACK: None of them were sold my lord

BY MR. FERG: What do you call that, a Statement of
Claim?

20 MR. CHERNIACK: A Statement of the Claimant's for loss.
Would you like to file your analysis sheet?

MR. FERG: Yes.

MR. CHERNIACK: On behalf of my learned friend I will
file the analysis sheet prepared by the custodian.

(ANALYSIS SHEET MARKED EXHIBIT 2.)

MR. CHERNIACK: Now as to the five acous my lord, the
analysis sheet, Exhibit 2 shows that they were
not turned over to the Navy but that the Registry
Certificates were turned over to the JFVDC. The

H.E. Fushiya
In Chief.

Custodian's file shows that they were recorded with the Custodian and subsequently, apparently, they were never found.

THE COMMISSIONER: When did the Custodian take possession of them?

MR. CHERNIAK: The analysis does not give that information but states that the claimant himself reported it to the custodian verbally in October, 1943. Perhaps my learned friend can give Your Honour the information as to when the Custodian was first aware of these scows.

MR. FERG: Your Honour, the claimant filed his claim and the matter was registered with the custodian on the 9th of July, 1942, that is so far as the claimant's property is concerned but with regard to the vessels on the 15th of August the Japanese fishing Vessel disposal committee turned over to the Custodian the British Registry certificates for these scows on August 15th but the scows were never found by the custodian and I propose to cross-examine the witness on this matter and we will try and get to the bottom of it.

*wrong
no scows
ever found*

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. CHERNIAK:

Q As to these scows witness my understanding from you and from the form that you signed, you didn't know very much about these scows, it was all handled by your father? A: Yes

Q As I understand it you have never seen these scows? A: Yes.

Q You have seen them? A: No, I haven't.

MR. CHENWIAK: As to the scows your Honour there is this further explanatory note in Exhibit 1, it states that his father is more fully aware of the details as to the scows than he is, and that he will have to leave it to him to give this information at the adjourned hearings in Vancouver.

THE COMMISSIONER: Where does that appear?

MR. CHENWIAK: On Exhibit 1 at the foot, Your Honour.

10

THE COMMISSIONER: Oh yes, Exhibit 1.

MR. CHENWIAK: The Claimant, Your Honour, is moving to Revelstoke and it will be for his father to give the actual evidence as to the scows since the owner or claimant knows nothing about their disposition other than hearsay.

Q Now witness, as to this boat the Minoy, your statement sets out that it was purchased in 1940 for \$500.00, do you know that of your own knowledge?

A Yes.

20

Q After buying it did you supervise the repairs that were set out here? A: I didn't supervise it but we turned it over to the boat builder to repair the boat and the amount we paid him is the amount I told you.

Q \$700.00? A: Yes, including the installing and overhauling of the engine.

Q To your knowledge where was this boat left?

A To my knowledge my father arranged and rented the boat to a Skeena River fisherman to fish with and he took it for the season and left it there for the

H.K. Tsuchiya
In Chief
Cross-Exam

Winter so that he could go back there next fishing season and it was while it was left on the beach, I presume, that this happened and from hearsay knowledge from my father, to the best of my knowledge it was up there when this happened.

Q I show you a form witness with the signature H.K. Tsuchiya, can you identify that?

A Yes.

10 Q That is your signature? A Yes

MR. CHERNIACK: I tender J.P. form produced from the custodian's file as Exhibit 5 and would like to bring to Your Honour's attention to the item shown there as "One 29 foot Gas boat in the custody of the Navy at Skeena River, B.C. (Mincey) license No. 6101."

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT 5.)

MR. CHERNIACK:

20 Q Witness, can you explain to His Honour your failure to report this in your form?

A When I think back, I was working as an interpreter in Hastings Park and I never seen this boat. I was up the Coast looking after fishing interests and I think it was because of that that it slipped my mind. As a matter of fact, when I think back, I never even thought about it to tell you the truth.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. FERG:

Q As a matter of fact you knew nothing about the screws other than the fact that they were registered

in your name? A Yes.

Q And that is the situation today?

A Right now, yes.

Q When was the last time that you saw the scows?

A I never saw the scows.

Q You never saw them at any time?

A No.

Q And you never operated them?

A No.

10 Q And consequently you don't know anything about them? A No particular scow, no.

Q Was there any particular reason for them being in your name? A Well, all the boats of the fleet that we owned was all in my name.

Q For convenience purposes they were all registered in your name? A Yes.

20 Q Have you any knowledge that the Navy took over these scows? A I can't tell you exactly. I can only presume that they took over our fleet and that they took them to the north arm of the Fraser River. I asked permission from the Navy to go and see about the scows but I was restricted and they would not give me permission to go down there and they told me they would look after it and that is the last I know.

Q Were you up there living with your father at the time he was using these scows?

30 A After we purchased them, as far as I know, we never used it. We bought it, repaired it and that

is as far as I know

Q You had never used them in the fishing business?

A No.

Q Were there any other members of your family using these scows? A No.

Q They were solely under your father's control?

A And my own, I went up the Coast to the two camps.

Q In regard to this boat the 'Helen' have you any knowledge of that? A No.

10 Q Did your father or any member of your family have a boat called the 'Helen'? A No, it was never in our possession at any time.

Q Your boat was always called the 'Minny'?

A The boat we purchased was called 'Minny.'

Q And registered as 'Minny'?

A Yes.

Q You never at any time had a boat called 'Helen'?

A No.

20 Q And so far as this claim is concerned you know little or nothing about the disposition of the scows? A Yes.

Q Your father will be able to give the information on that? A Yes.

MR. PERG: With regard to this case Your Honour I take it it will be referred back to Vancouver for final disposition.

THE COMMISSIONER: Mr. Cherniak says that his father will be called down there.

30 MR. PERG: Yes, and I don't need to make any submis-

sion as far as the Government is concerned except
that the Government contends that these scows
were not reported and as far as the custodian
is concerned they had no knowledge of them.

THE COMMISSIONER: What provision do you make for
the Minny or what provision do you make in regard to
the Minny?

10 MR. FERG: We contend that there was a boat - there
will have to be further evidence given on it -
either the Minny or the Helen and that they are
one and the same boat and that if the Helen is
the Minny, there was a boat discovered in the pos-
session of the Navy in such a damaged condition
that it was more or less abandoned. At any rate
we cannot deal with the matter here because all
the evidence is in Vancouver.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Well, the hearing of this particular
case then will be adjourned to the Sitting in
Vancouver to be fixed by the Commission for hearing
of further evidence on behalf of the claimant

MR. FERG: My understanding is that all hearings are
adjourned for further evidence.

30 MR. GERNIAK: It is not my intention to argue as to the
merits Your Honour but I would just like to make
certain in the record that we have the information
given by my learned friend earlier in this hearing
as to when the custodian was given these registra-
tion certificates as affecting the scows, I would
like to make sure that that information is on the

8.
H.K. Teuchiya,
Cross-Exam

Record.

THE COMMISSIONER: The thing is certainly not clear.

MR. PERS: I will read to the Court and it can be
read into the record a letter from the custodian
to the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee,
Vancouver, dated August 13th, 1942; "Dear Sirs,
We hereby acknowledge receipt of certificates of
British Registry on the following vessels: 1.
10 YS #5, 158307; 2. YS #4, 158306; 3. YS #158305;
4. YS #158304; 5. YS #1, 158303." That is as
to the record

THE COMMISSIONER: There is another document in
connection with the Miney I suppose?

MR. CHERNIACK: That is not necessary, the J.P. Form
covers that.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, that is all

(Proceedings Adjourned Sine Die)

Certified to be a true and accurate transcript

20
Mark H. Pearce
(Mark H. Pearce)
Official Reporter

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Sub Commissioner hereby certify
that the foregoing 8 pages of typewritten matter contain
a true and accurate record of the sub commission in this
matter held in the Law Courts Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba,
at the time and date first above mentioned.

(SUB COMMISSIONER)