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PERSONAL

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK

FILE NO. 11918

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: KURODA, Thomas

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

REGISTRATION NUMBER 03279 SEX: male AGE: 52

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

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

EMPLOYER: 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)

EXHIBIT NO. 386-4  
DATE FILED June 15/48  
Jensen

28/13



STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS:
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST:
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Lived in one room in B room, 2 storey, wooden frame building at 526 Alexander St., Vancouver, B. C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Mrs. K. Suzuki, same address.

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

Rent free.

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 gill net 150 fathoms.

One gill net 150 "

" " " 200 "

Net Value \$500.

Stored at Great West Cannery, in c/o Mr. Jack Whitehead, manager,

at Steveston, B. C.

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) \_\_\_\_\_
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: \_\_\_\_\_
9. LIFE INSURANCE: \_\_\_\_\_
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. \_\_\_\_\_
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: \_\_\_\_\_

**LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: \_\_\_\_\_
2. TRADE DEBTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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 28th day of July 1942.

[Signature]  
Witness

(Signature) T. Kurada

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE



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INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Apr 27/43

Our File No. 11918

Full Name

KURODA

Thomas Isunepiro  
(Surname in Block Letters)

(Checked with R.C.M.P.  
& they state his  
correct name is  
Isunepiro - Jan 11/47  
L.B.M.)

Registration No.

03279

Male - Female  
(check)

Age

July 15, 1889

Former Address

357 Powell St. City

Date Evacuated

Sept 1/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address

Slocan Extension, B.C.  
Checked Jan 6/47

Married - Single  
(check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

<sup>nee</sup>  
(TANAKA) Toshi

Name of Father

Tsuneshichi (Hid)

Names of Children under 16

(Hid)

Requested by

CCP

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Fisherman Owner of Boat - 1

ton



SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: June 21, 1944

Name: KURODA, Tsunejiro

Reg. No. 03279

File: 11918

Boat File No.: JFVDC 724

Name of Vessel: "T.K." 115 - 29'x6'x 3' (1931) Easthope 5 HP (1927)

Lic. or Reg. No.: None

Naval No.: NW.048-C

Owner's Valuation: \$750.00

JFVDC Valuation: 288.00 Survey #233 NW

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: June 15, 1942

Purchaser: Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$375.00

Paid to JFVDC or ~~Custodian~~: 375.00

Supervision Costs: 6.25

Balance due Owner: 368.75

Paid to: T. Kuroda, June 24, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Repairs: Celtic Shipyard (Claim 342) \$42.50 (Paid)

Additional Information:

*Frithman*  
*Jan 9, 1947*



JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

\$368 <sup>75</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

June 24<sup>th</sup> 1942

RECEIVED from the JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

the sum of Three hundred and eighty-eight

75 DOLLARS  
100

on account of sale of Vessel "T.K." 1157 Tokyo 724

6K# 749 - 6/29

T. Kuroda

Certified Correct

[Signature]



PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 11918

January 9, 1947

Re: Thomas KURODA, Reg. No. 03279

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on July 28, 1942. He was evacuated on September 1, 1942.

This file reveals no real property owned by Mr. Kuroda and no fire insurance carried on his property.

CHATELS In his declaration Mr. Kuroda declared 3 gill-nets stored at Great West Cannery. Value: \$500.00.

On September 12, 1942, Mr. Leckie appraised 2 nets tagged "T.Kuroda" at Great West Cannery. One of these was sold at the appraised value of \$67.00 to Great West Cannery. The other, appraised at \$94.00 was moved to the Takahashi Net House, but can not be identified among the nets sold.

An untagged net found beside the nets of Mr. Kuroda was inventoried in his name. This was a 5" green net. A notation on net card is that the net was no good. There is no evidence that this net was the property of Mr. Kuroda. No record of the disposition of this net appears in our net records.

VESSEL

According to information supplied to this office, Mr. Kuroda was the owner of the fishing vessel "T.K." which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee for \$375.00. The net sum of \$368.75 was paid direct to Mr. Kuroda on June 24, 1942. See Vessel Summary.

No other property is revealed in this file.

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

*Travis*

January 9, 1947

/FM



LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 11918

Jan. 9/47

RE: Thomas KURODA, Reg. No. 03279

This file reveals no claims against Mr. KURODA.

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

Jan. 9/47

LMM:

L. McKinney  
L. McKinney



Kuroda, Thomas  
Reg. No. 03279  
File No. 11918

January 9, 1947

NET STATEMENT

| <u>Cust. No.</u> | <u>Description</u>                | <u>Sale Price</u>            |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Cannery          | 6/40 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 200 | \$67.00 (Leckie's Valuation) |

MISSING

|      |                                   |                                         |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 1008 | 5/40 x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 50 - 150 | Valued Sept. 12/42 by Leckie at \$94.00 |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|

NOT FOUND

JP Declaration 150 Fathom Gill-net



File No. 11918

January 7, 1947.

MEMORANDUM - Miss L. McKinnon

Re: Nets

In trying to clarify the memorandum on the bottom of the Net Statement of December 29, 1943, where it refers to Custodian Net No. 1008, "Never removed to Custodian storage, but left with the Great West Cannery.", the writer had a telephone conversation, today, with the manager of the Great West Cannery at Steveston, B. C.

The manager of the Great West Cannery claims their records show only the purchase of the one net which is revealed on the Net Statement. However, they have a valuation list which he claims was received on September 12, 1942, from the Custodian's office, which bears no file number or signature, giving the value of the net they purchased in the amount of \$67.00 and the valuation of Custodian Net No. 1008 at \$94.00. He also states they have no record of the 5" Green net as this net would be of no use to them, as it is used in Northern waters, only, where they do not operate. He further claims that Mr. Robinson must have removed this Custodian Net No. 1008 along with other nets which were removed to the Custodian's Takahashi Net House.

We can only suggest, in writing to the Japanese, that the Custodian only sold one net and the other two nets are unaccounted for.

George Peters,  
Office of the Custodian.

GP/1c



KURODA, Thomas,  
Reg. No. 03279,  
File No. 11918

December 29, 1943

NET STATEMENT

| <u>Cust. No.</u> | <u>Description</u>                | <u>Purchase Price</u> |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cannery          | 6/40 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 200 | \$ 67.00              |

UNACCOUNTED FOR

|      |                                             |
|------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1008 | 5/40 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 300 stretched |
| 1006 | 5 <sup>th</sup> Green Net                   |

1008 - Never removed to Custodian storage but left with  
Great West Cannery.

/ns



Tsunenorio KURODA

File No. 11918  
Reg. No. 03279

| <u>Date</u>      | <u>Particulars</u>                      | <u>Debit</u> | <u>Credit</u> | <u>Balance</u> |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1942 December 23 | Sale of net                             | \$           | \$ 67.00      |                |
| 1947 January 14  | Cheque to you                           | 67.00        |               |                |
| March 13         | Cheque returned & recredited to account | 67.00        | 67.00         |                |
| October 13       | Cheque to you                           |              |               |                |

\$ 134.00      \$ 134.00

NIL

Accounting Department  
April 19th, 1948



Name of Claimant

KURSDA, Thomas

Case

386

Custodian File

11918

| 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<br>% of Amount Total        | Sale Price                                                     | Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices:<br>% of Amount Total |                        |                             |
|                                      |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| PERSONAL PROPERTY                    |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| Motor Vehicles                       |                                     | Boats and Boat Gear                                                    |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| Sale Price                           | 25% thereof                         | Sale Price                                                             | Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price  | Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price                                           | Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners | Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Recorded Now Missing | 45% of amount in next preceding column                         |                                                           |                        |                             |
|                                      |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| NETS                                 |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| Total award for Nets plus Sale Price |                                     | Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing |                                   |                                                                           | Percentage Total Award to Total Claim                          |                                                                | Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing |                                                           | Apply % ratio to Claim | Deduct Custodian Sale Price |
|                                      |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                | 125.00<br>266.66                                               |                                                           | 274.16                 | 67.00                       |
| MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS               |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| Claim for goods Sold By Auction      | Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction | Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price                                   | Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim | Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid | Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column    | Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender                             | 12% of Sale Price                                              |                                                           |                        |                             |
|                                      |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        |                             |
| TOTAL RECOMMENDATION                 |                                     |                                                                        |                                   |                                                                           |                                                                |                                                                |                                                                |                                                           |                        | 207.16                      |



11918

October 11th, 1950.

Mr. Thomas KURODA,  
Slocan City, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 386

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee  
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been  
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under  
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$207.16.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$180.93  
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 26.23  
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

FCS/js  
1 encl.

F.G. Shears  
Director



Defence Brief

Thomas KURODA

File No. 11918

Case No. 386

NELSON  
15 June 1948

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIMS

1. Fishing Nets & Gear Claim

\$625.00

- (a) One net valued by claimant at \$125.00 Sold by tender for \$67.00.

Appraised at 67.00 by C.P. Leckie, Witness.

- (b) One net valued by claimant at 83.33 Lost, destroyed or stolen.

Witness: C.C. Robinson.

- (c) Goods valued at \$ 83.33 declared and not found.

Left in care of the Manager,  
Great West Cannery, Steveston.

Witness: C.C. Robinson.

- (d) Goods valued at \$333.34 Undeclared and not found.

Witness: C.C. Robinson.

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This man served in Flanders, Belgium and Germany 1914-1918, 3 years, was wounded and hospitalized 10th Battalion, Regt. No. 98533.

Claimant on his J.P. Form declared 3 gill nets stored at Gt. West Cannery in c/o Jack Whiteside, Manager, Steveston. Two only (a) & (b) were found at the Cannery and appraised by C.P. Leckie. The Gt. West Cannery bought (a). The other (b) was removed to Takahashi net house and its disposition cannot be traced further. An untagged net -- 5" green -- found beside the other two was inventoried in claimant's name. This was stated to be of no value, and there is no record of its disposition.

Submission: In this matter there is no real property. The boat was sold by the Committee, and that is abandoned anyway. The only articles the Custodian received were those set out in the J.P. form and they are accounted for in the Analysis. What was sold was sold for its fair market value and the other items that cannot be accounted for, are declared, not found, as set out in the analysis. Those goods which were not accounted for are being claimed at an exorbitant value.

- Ex.1 - Nets & gear statement with list attached.  
Ex.2 - List of nets made by cannery.  
Ex. 3 - Analysis J.P. Claim  
Ex.4 - J.P. Form



IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT."  
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 92

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR, JUDGE ERIC P. DAWSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

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Nelson, B.C.

June 15, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF  
THOMAS KURODA

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

20 APPEARANCES:

DONALD MACDONALD, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Dominion Government

A.E. GCEUS, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Claimant.

W.J. STURGEON, Esq.,

Secretary to Nelson  
Sub-Commission.

G.H.R. UPTON, Esq.,

Official Interpreter

G. HAMBLETON, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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T. Kuroda  
In Chief

MR. COBUS: The claim, your honour, of Thomas Kuroda, which is No. 31 on the Secretary's list.

THOMAS KURODA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the official interpreter as follows:

10 MR. COBUS: I would ask leave, your honour, to amend the claim which is a claim for a boat on the front side of the claim form and which is being abandoned, subject to the Terms of Reference being broadened.

THE COMMISSIONER: The whole front page of the form.

MR. COBUS: The front portion of the claim, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: I will note that "abandoned subject to the Terms of Reference being broadened."

20 MR. COBUS: Then, as to the claim for personal property under 5 (c), the claimant repeats the gasboat as item 1, which should be deleted; and with respect to the nets, we now show a total claim for nets at \$500.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: In place of all these figures that you have.

MR. COBUS: Down to 8, your honour, items 1 to 8, \$500.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

30 MR. COBUS: The cork line under item 8 remains at \$50.00; the lead line at \$75.00. The total is \$625.00. The credit to the Custodian is \$67.00.



THE COMMISSIONER: Have you got a credit in here at all?

MR. COBUS: I don't believe so, your honour; nothing is shown.

THE COMMISSIONER: The credit, then, is \$67.00.

MR. COBUS: Yes, your honour, leaving a net personal property claim of \$558.00.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. COBUS:

10 Q: Witness, I see that you wear what appears to be a service badge. Did you serve in His Majesty's forces at some time or other?

A: Yes, I was a soldier in the last war.

Q: By the "Last war," you mean the First Great War, 1914 - 1918? A: Yes.

Q: What was the length of your service?

A: About three years.

Q: Did you serve in the European theatre of war?

A: Yes.

20 Q: Where in Europe? A: Mostly in Flanders.

Q: Mostly in Flanders. A: Flanders and Belgium and Germany.

Q: Did you sustain any war injuries?

A: I was wounded and I went to hospital.

Q: I see. Do you recall your regimental number by any chance?

A: 98533.

30 Q: Do you remember the name of the unit with which you served? A: Tenth Battalion.



Q: Now, witness, I produce to you a statement concerning the nets and lines for which you are submitting a claim, as well as a gas tank and a water tank. Did you instruct Mr. Leckie to prepare this statement and is that your signature? A: Yes.

10 Q: In your statement you make reference to a list of nets and lines attached, and you show values in the amount of \$500.00 for nets, \$50.00 for corks and line, and \$80.00 for a lead line. Is this the list to which you make reference?

A: Yes.

Q: Is the information contained therein, that is, in the statement and in the list, true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. COBUS: I would ask leave to file the statement and list attached, your honour, as one exhibit.

(STATEMENT AND LIST MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

20 MR. COBUS: It may be well at this point, your honour, to reconcile the claim form as I have already amended it with the list and statement which is now being marked exhibit 1. If your honour will refer to the list attached, it will be seen that the witness listed seven nets and then lists corks and line as an item 8, and then, under item 9, he shows a lead line, a gas tank, a water tank, and three small gas tins, the total of that being \$725.00. 30 He has appended a note with respect to the



10 nets. He says the total of nets, \$600.00, which that will add up to, is reduced to \$500.00 to conform with the value as stated in his J.P. form. Therefore, we have reduced the \$725.00 by \$100.00, leaving \$625.00 which is the net claim as amended. Perhaps, if your honour would refer to the claim form again, under item 10, I didn't indicate there that under 10, the stove, which is referred to there, should be deleted; there is no claim being made for the stove.

THE COMMISSIONER: I have here "400 lead line and gas tank, water tank, stove, etc." You want the stove out.

MR. COBUS: Stove out, but the value \$75.00 remains.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

20 MR. COBUS: Referring to Exhibit 1, your honour, the witness says that the nets and lines and other items declared under the heading "gear," were left in the net house of the Great West Packing Cannery at Steveston, the tanks being originally left where he was living, but later removed as per an inventory received by him from the cannery to the cannery net house. He says that when making his J.P. declaration he mentioned more than the three nets shown on the form and told the party who took the information that he would sell all his nets for \$500.00 cash. He is unable to understand why the  
30 party detailed only three nets.



He says that he has an itemized list from the cannery for all his nets and lines and also the tanks which are noted above.

THE COMMISSIONER: That would be, the itemized list was a receipt from the cannery, is that right?

MR. COBUS: Yes, your honour. I am just producing the list to the witness.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

10 MR. COBUS: Q: Witness, I am producing a list on the stationery of the Western Leckie, Limited, and the Great West Packing Cannery, which bears the words, "Kuroda nets and lines, etc." and is dated August 11, 1942. Eight nets are detailed as well as certain lengths of cork line and lead line, a water tank and a gas tank and three small gas tins. Where did you receive that document?

20 A: I received this from a man called Kennedy. He was the bookkeeper. This was written on the stationery of Western Leckie Limited, but it was not a receipt from the Western Leckie Limited, but a receipt from the Great West Packing Cannery.

Q: I see. And the individual who wrote this list, I take it, was named Kennedy?

A: I think his name was Kenney.

Q: Kenney, I see.

THE COMMISSIONER: It bears no signature, I presume?

30 MR. COBUS: There doesn't appear to be a signature on it, your honour, but at the bottom I see, in



the same handwriting as the remainder of the list, "Per Ken," just K-e-n, and a note, "Fill in blanks and price if you can, Kuroda," and then "P.S. couldn't find any cork lines outside of house, Ken." So I would think that this person Ken is named Ken something or other, and according to the witness worked for the Great West Packing Company.

10 Q: Witness, with respect to No. 8 net, I see a pencil line drawn through it, and the words in pencil "We claim for this." Whose marking is that? A: I instructed to have that cancelled.

Q: You instructed Mr. Leckie, I would take it?

A: Yes.

MR. COBUS: I would ask leave, your honour, to file the list identified by the witness as the next exhibit.

(LIST MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

20 THE COMMISSIONER: That list, Mr. Cobus, checks with the --

MR. COBUS: With the claim form or the list attached to the statement, yes, your honour, omitting, of course, the eighth item on the list which is abandoned.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. COBUS: Would my learned friend produce the Analysis of Personal Property Claim?

(Handed to Mr. Cobus)

30 MR. COBUS: I have had produced the Analysis of Per-



sonal Property Claim from the Custodian's file,  
and I would ask that it be filed on behalf of  
the Crown.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

10 MR. COBUS: From Exhibit 3, your honour, it will be  
seen that the J.P. declaration was stated by  
the Custodian to have been made on July 28,  
1942. An inventory was taken by the Custodian  
On September 12, 1942. The date of the receipt  
which was filed as Exhibit 2, I believe was  
some time in August.

THE COMMISSIONER: Exhibit 2, yes, August 11th.

MR. COBUS: That is right.

THE COMMISSIONER: The inventory only shows two nets.

MR. COBUS: The Custodian's inventory?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. COBUS: Yes, your honour. Your witness.

20 MR. MACDONALD: In this matter, your honour, there is  
no real property. The boat was sold by the  
Committee, and that is abandoned, anyway.

THE COMMISSIONER: There is no claim; the claim was  
abandoned with regard to the boat.

MR. MACDONALD: The only articles that the Custodian  
received were those set out in the J.P. form  
and they are accounted for in the Analysis.  
What was sold was sold for its fair market value,  
and the other items that cannot be accounted  
for, are declared not found as set out in the  
Analysis. I would like to --

30 THE COMMISSIONER: You are submitting, then, that any



goods which are not accounted for, the claim of the claimant is exorbitant, are you?

MR. MACDONALD: Yes, your honour, that those goods which were not accounted for are being claimed at an exorbitant value.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. What were sold were sold for their fair market value.

MR. MACDONALD: I would like to file the J.P. form, your honour.

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CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. MACDONALD:

Q: This is your signature on this J.P. form, is it?

A: Yes.

Q: In this J.P. form you mentioned three nets.

A: I have no knowledge of that. I told them that I had a lot of nets; I did not tell them how many. I spoke to a man called Mr. Rose at Hastings Park. At that time there was little time and I had to go back to Steveston. I had two very good lines and I told Rose that if these nets could be sold at a value of \$500.00, it would be agreeable to me.

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Q: Which nets? A: I had two very good ones, but I would have taken a price of \$500.00 for all my nets.

Q: Two very good ones. Were they included in this list here? A: The 200 fathom

net was the newest, and then there was another net of 200 fathoms. These other nets I have used for one year. These two nets are comparatively

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new.

Q: The first two nets mentioned in the J.P. form?

A: Yes.

Q: Now you mentioned another 200 fathom net.

A: I only had one 200 fathom net, the rest are  
150 fathoms.

Q: Now, you gave this information to the man who  
prepared the J.P. form, did you?

A: No, I did not.

10 Q: Well, how did he get it? A: I don't  
know how he got the information, whether he went  
to the cannery afterwards and got it or not, but  
I don't know how he got the information.

Q: Did you tell him where these nets were?

A: I told him they were at the Great West Cannery.

Q: But you say you did not give him this infor-  
mation as to the type of nets as set out in  
this J.P. form? A: No, I did not.

I told him that I had two new nets and I would  
be willing to accept \$200.00 for them.

20 Q: For the two new nets, is that it?

A: I put a value of \$500.00 on my nets.

Q: On all your nets? A: I told him at  
Hastings Park that I was willing to take \$500.00  
for the nets.

Q: Now, did you actually own these nets set out  
here?

A: I am certain that  
I had those, but I had a number of other nets,  
too.

30 Q: That are not set out here? A: They were



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not written down here.

Q: Well, are those the main nets that you had, the ones that had the main value.

A: These were the best.

MR. MACDONALD: I will file this, your honour.

MR. COBUS: Your honour, I would ask my learned friend to give the date of the J.P. form and indicate that that J.P. form bears the red notation just above the signature.

10 MR. MACDONALD: It speaks for itself, your honour. It is dated the 28th of July, 1942.

THE COMMISSIONER: You are filing the J.P. form?

MR. MACDONALD: I am filing the J.P. form, your honour.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4)

THE COMMISSIONER: Mr. Cobus, is there any question of the appraisal and what it was sold for? There was an appraisal made of these nets, apparently.

20 MR. COBUS: One net was sold for \$67.00, your honour, and I have not asked my learned friend to produce the appraisal. We are claiming \$150.00 reduced by whatever proportion of the \$100.00 it would be reduced by. I don't know who Mr. Leckie is. If my friend wishes to put in the appraisal, he will have to establish that he is an expert on nets some day.

MR. MACDONALD: I don't seem to have any appraisal here. I haven't any appraisal, your honour.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: There is an appraisal referred to in your Analysis of Personal Property Claim. It is an appraisal by Mr. Leckie on September 12,



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1942. I don't know whether you have it on your file.

MR. MACDONALD: Well, all I have is a notation, that is all, that it was appraised by Mr. Leekie, and that his valuation was \$67.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: You haven't the actual appraisal?

MR. MACDONALD: No, I haven't, your honour. I don't seem to have it.

10 THE COMMISSIONER: Well, I suppose it is only a matter of giving notice to you that that appraisal is there.

MR. MACDONALD: It is by Leekie. I have just shown it to my learned friend. I don't seem to have the actual appraisal.

That is all, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, Mr. Kuroda, that is all.

MR. COBUS: Just one question, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: You want to re-examine; sorry.

20 RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. COBUS:

Q: Witness, when you were asked to give the information for the filling out of this J.P. form, was there an interpreter present at the time?

A: Yes.

Q: Did this interpreter read back all of your answers that were given and typed on that form?

A: No.

Q: Did there appear to be any sign of hurry at Hastings Park at that time; were there lots of people lined up waiting to give their J.P's?

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A: There were a number of people waiting to make up their registration forms, or rather their J.P. forms, and there was a considerable hurry.

MR. COBUS: That is all, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, Mr. Kuroda, that is all we can do now.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

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*Andon Hambleton*  
G. Hambleton  
Official Reporter

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

H.P. Dawson,  
Sub-Commissioner.

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