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INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

14748

Sept. 1/45.

Our File No.

14748

Full Name

MIYAMOTO Masao
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

07665

Male - Female
(check)

Age

Aug 27 1902

Former Address

Port Alberni B.C.

Date Evacuated

Int. Jan 14/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

25/4/47 = 10727 Emile St., Montreal, P.Q.

Present Address

% C.P.A. Co.,
Schreiber, Ont.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

(Nec) (Japan)
(IWAMOTO) Kiyoko

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

MIYAMOTO Kisa

Name of Father

Torokichi (Japan)

Names of Children under 16

Requested by

ECF

Registered with Custodian

NO
(Yes or No)

Additional Information

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 14748

April 1, 1947

Re: Masao MIYAMOTO, Reg.No.07629

This man was interned prior to December 19, 1941. He was released from internment on May 15, 1943.

MIYAMOTO does not appear to have signed a declaration of any kind to the Custodian in regard to his property. The only information he has supplied is that given in his letters to this office.

The file reveals that an investigation was made to determine MIYAMOTO's interest in Lots "A" and "B", Subdivision of Lot one, S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 21, Township 12, in District of New Westminster, in the Municipality of Maple Ridge. It was found that MIYAMOTO had entered into an agreement to purchase this property from Lila Kinley, of Port Hammond, on May 2, 1927. On June 22, 1933, MIYAMOTO quit-claimed his interest in this property to Lila Kinley, and on June 9, 1942, he informed this office through the Adjutant at Petawawa Internment Camp that he had no interest in this property.

When MIYAMOTO was arrested his household and personal effects were left in his former residence at Port Alberni. In January, 1942, the B. C. Police at Port Alberni, assisted by Mrs. Jean Nitti, inventoried the contents of the house. A pencilled copy of this inventory is filed under date of January 20, 1942, on this file. The articles listed in the first 8 pages were removed to West Coast Freight warehouse, Port Alberni. The articles listed on Page 9, were handed to Mrs. D. MIYAMOTO, a friend of Masao MIYAMOTO and were to be shipped to him on request. Some foodstuffs listed on Page 10 of the inventory were handed to Mrs. D. MIYAMOTO for distribution among Masao MIYAMOTO's friends, as these foodstuffs could not be stored. Goods in storage were sold at auction on January 12, 1944, for the net sum of \$281.47. These items are shown on the chattel schedule. It will be seen that a number of items listed in the inventory cannot be reconciled with the auction sheet. These items may have been sold as miscellaneous, may have been found unsaleable and so discarded, or may have been lost in some manner.

Some lumber found in the house at the time of the taking of the inventory was sold by the B. C. Police for the sum of \$3.25. This sum was placed to the credit of Masao MIYAMOTO's account in the Royal Bank of Canada, Port Alberni. Two cheques from Bloedel Stewart & Welch, for sums of \$30.40 and \$84.03 were handed by the B.C. Police to the Royal Bank of Canada, Port Alberni for the credit of Masao MIYAMOTO's account.

On December 19, 1941, MIYAMOTO was interviewed by the RCMP in an effort to find out about his property. At that time he reported the following assets:

An account with the Royal Bank, Port Alberni with balance of about \$80.00. On January 29, 1942, the Royal Bank, Port Alberni reported that the credit balance in this account was \$202.49. This balance apparently included the sum deposited by the B. C. Police as stated above. On February 6, 1942, we sent to MIYAMOTO a cheque drawn on this account, which had already been countersigned by this office; this cheque MIYAMOTO was to sign and hand to the officer in charge at the Immigration Shed to be cashed. MIYAMOTO had requested funds for current expenses. On June 2, 1942, the Royal Bank of Canada, Port Alberni, sent to this office at our request cheque for \$163.20 representing the balance in this account at that time. This money was placed to the credit of Masao MIYAMOTO with this office.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 14748 - Continued

April 1, 1947

To the RCMP MIYAMOTO reported an account with the Royal Bank of Canada, East End Branch, Vancouver. On June 2, 1942, we received cheque for \$40.45 representing the credit balance in this account at that date. This money was placed to the credit of Masao MIYAMOTO with this office.

Masao MIYAMOTO reported to the RCMP that he had about \$10.00 in War Savings Certificates. Two \$5.00 War Savings Certificates found in his house by the B. C. Police were forwarded to this office on January 20, 1942, for safekeeping. Home Assurance Policy #ASM6415 and Sun Life Policy #2099869, as well as a Canadian Bank of Commerce passbook (in the name of his wife, showing credit balance of 29 cents) were also forwarded to this office by the B. C. Police on January 20, 1942. On June 25, 1943, all these items were sent to Masao MIYAMOTO by registered mail, according to letter of that date. However, it would appear that the Bank of Commerce passbook was not sent, as this, together with the passbooks of MIYAMOTO's two Royal Bank accounts are in an envelope on file under date of June 15, 1943.

On July 6, 1942, Masao MIYAMOTO reported the following accounts receivable:

Taro NISHIMURA - \$25.00. This claim was referred to Taro NISHIMURA who replied on July 17, 1942, stating that he was not indebted to MIYAMOTO and giving full information about this matter. This information was passed on to MIYAMOTO. On July 31, 1942, the Commandant at Angler Internment Camp reported that MIYAMOTO was satisfied with NISHIMURA's letter.

Pro rata settlement 1.40 June 13/47 \$1.40
Takashi MATSUMOTO - \$20.00. This claim was not referred to MATSUMOTO, except that a letter addressed to "Peace River, B. C." (the address supplied by MIYAMOTO) was sent out and returned to this office. It would appear likely that the debtor is Takashi MATSUMOTO, File 11131, and a memorandum covering this claim has been placed on his file. MATSUMOTO has a credit balance of \$4.59 and other liabilities amounting to \$45.45.

Mr. Kitamura (used to be a peddler mostly in Vancouver Island and brother of Kosuke KITAMURA, 118 Main St, Vancouver) - \$37.00. This debtor could not be identified.

Seitaro FUJINAMI, File 13800 - \$26.00. On May 17, 1944, FUJINAMI informed us that this debt had been settled personally.

Central Grocery, Port Alberni, B. C. for \$50.00 wages for gardening. A letter was sent to Central Grocery, Port Alberni on July 8, 1942, but no reply was received although the letter does not appear to have been returned. No further action was taken.

This file reveals no other property of any kind.

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

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April 2, 1947

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CHattel SCHEDULE

File No. 14748

April 1, 1947

Re: Masao WAKEMOTO #97665

Inventory Jan. 20/42

1 Electrolux Vacuum
1 Coal Oil Stove (gas)
1 Rug
1 Singer Sewing Machine
1 Table Lamp
1 Coffee Table
1 Cardboard Suitcase
3 Pictures
2 Mirrors
3 Pictures
1 Alarm Clock
1 Thermos Flask
1 Penknife
1 Silk Bedspread
1 Double Blanket
1 Pr. Bed Sheets
1 Sheepwool Comforter
1 Bed complete with spring
1 Pr. Hair Clippers
1 Peerless Heater & Board
1 Electrolux Garment Vault
1 Hatchet
1 Kettle
1 Large Square Linoleum
1 Electric Heat Pad
1 Electric Extension
2 Chairs
1 Pr. Grass Shears

1 Cadet Bicycle
1 Pr. Curtains
1 End Table
1 Camp Cot
2 Stools
1 Chair
1 Pontiac Burner
1 Westinghouse Toaster
1 Samson Electric Fan
1 Garden Rake
1 Double-blade Axe
1 Magazine Rack
1 Tool Chest
1 Metal Hot Water Bottle
1 Punch Bar
1 Coal Oil Can & Funnel
1 Kitchen Cabinet
2 Kitchen Chairs

Auction Jan. 12/44

Electolux
Coleman Stove
Rug
Singer Sewing Machine
1 Lamp - electric
1 Coffee Table
1 Suitcase
3 Pictures
2 Mirrors
1 Picture
1 Alarm Clock
1 Thermos Flask
1 Pen Knife
1 Silk Bed spread
1 Pr. W. Blankets
1 Pr. Sheets
1 Comforter
1 Bed complete (no mattress)
1 Hair Clippers
Heater
1 Electrolux Rubber Vault
1 Axe
1 Kettle
1 Congoleum
1 Electric Pad
1 Extension
2 Chairs
1 Grass Shears
Hoe
1 Bicycle
1 Pr. Curtains
Table
Camp Cot (damaged)
2 Stools
1 Chair
Pontiac Range
1 Electric Toaster
1 Electric Fan
Garden Rake
Double Bladed Axe
Magazine Rack
Tool Chest
Hot Water Bottle
Punch Bar
Coal Oil Can & Funnel
Kitchen Cabinet
2 Kitchen Chairs
1

Unaccounted for

CHattel SCHEDULE

File No. 14748 - continued

April 1, 1947

Inventory Jan. 20/42

1 Case Milk Soap
1 Rain Coat & Hat
1 Garden Spray
1 Cooler
1 Rod
2 Punches & Handles
1 Pocket Knife
1 Small Saw
1 Fret Saw & 2 Fretsaw Blades
1 Small Hatchet
1 T. Square
1 Plane
2 Paint Brushes
1 Spirit Level
4 Screwdrivers
See Tools Page 7 of Inventory
2 Hammers
1 Stanley Square
See Tools Page 7 of Inventory
See drygoods listed below:
See dishes & glasses 5th page Inventory -
See groceries 6th page of Inventory
See goods listed below:
1 Lamp Stand
1 Brush
1 Pr. Socks
1 Toy Dog
2 Keys
1 Pincushion
10 Japanese Books
Japanese Picture
1 Electric Light & Globe
Small Roll of Tinfoil
1 Packet Florists Material
1 Auto Ornament
1 Blue Sweater
1 Pr. Khaki Pants
1 Sheet
1 Pillowcase
1 Grey Blanket
1 Handkerchief
1 Wool Shirt
1 Comforter Cover
1 Suit Men's Underwear
1 Table Runner
1 Curtain
3 Pillowslips
2 Pillows
1 Piece Oilcloth
4 Men's Shirts
3 Pillowcases
2 Handkerchiefs
2 Towels

Auction Jan. 12/44

1 Box Soap
1 Rain Hat & Coat
1 Garden Spray
1 Cooler (homemade)
1 Fish Rod
2 Punches
1 Pocket Knife
Small Saw
2 Fret Saws
Hatchet
T. Square
Wood Plane
2 Paint Brushes
Spirit Level
Screw Driver
Miscellaneous Tools
Hammer
Square
Miscellaneous Tools
Dry Goods- sheets, overalls, etc.
Crockery
Groceries
Miscellaneous

CHattel SCHEDULE

File No. 14748- Continued

April 1, 1947

Inventory Jan. 20/42

2 Porcelain Pans
2 Wooden Trays
1 Electric Globe
1 Egg Beater
1 Toothpick Holder
1 Pestle & Mortar
2 Graters
1 Bottlewasher
1 Strainer
1 Large Fork
2 Ladles
1 Egg Slice
1 Whisk Broom
1 Large Knife
1 Tray Lid
1 Soap Tin
1 Funnel
1 Lunch Pail
6 Spoons
4 Prs. Chopsticks
2 Japanese Figures (wooden)
9 Forks
7 Teaspoons
3 Icecream Spoons
2 Dessert Spoons
1 Agar Spoon
5 Knives
1 Can Opener
Brush & Comb
1 Gold Watch "Montcalm"
1 Dinner Knife
1 Date Stamp & Pad
1 Pr. Compasses
1 Pkt. Razor Blades
1 Nail Cutters
1 Can Opener
1 Pr. Tweezers
1 Writing Pad
1 Wooden Grater
1 Bottle Hair Tonic
2 Bx. Afl Seasoning
4 Bx. Bottle Lids
1 Bottle Kanzo
1 Salt Shaker
1 Water Pitcher
5 Glasses
2 Glass Dishes
1 Bulova Watch Case
2 Pot Brushes
2 Mesh & Paddle
1 Kitchen Table
1 Pr. Scissors
1 Bx. Mending Wool

CHattel SCHEDULE

File No. 14748 - Continued

Inventory Jan. 20/48

1 Single Bed Sheet
2 Mattresses
1 Glass Floor Protector
1 Laundry Bag
2 Pr. Curtains & Rods
1 Dresser
1 Pr. Pigskin Gloves
2 Neckties
2 doilies
1 Bx. Ladies Handkerchiefs
1 Pr. Curtains
1 Parker Pen Case
2 Dresser Runners
6 Curtains
1 Table Cloth
4 Pillowcases
1 Bedspread
1 Sweat Shirt
1 Pr. Socks
5 Dress Shirts
9 Undershirts
5 Pr. Underpants
2 Ladies Pullovers
4 Prs. Childrens Sox
1 Pr. Pyjamas
1 Bed Sheet
2 Tablecloths
1 Pillowcase
1 Towel
2 Handkerchiefs
1 Nightgown
1 Towel Set
6 Neckties
2 Extension Cords
1 Curtain Rod
1 Handrake
1 Glass ?
1 Birdcage
1 Stove with Sawdust
2 Bx. Spices
Salt & Pepper Shakers
2 Teapots
2 Bx. Salt
1 Coffee Pot
1 Rice Cooker
1 Cake Pan
1 Frying Pan
1 Coal Oil Heater -Coleman
2 Porcelain Pots
1 Aluminum Roaster
3 Aluminum Pots
1 Box Personal Papers
1 Cigar Box Personal Papers
1 Single Bed - Offered for sale but found to be unsaleable.

CHattel SCHEDULE

File No. 14748 - Continued

April 1, 1947

Inventory Jan. 20/42

1 Dishpan
1 Kitchen Seat
8 Pns. Socks
1 Pr. Slippers
1 Pr. Overshoes
1 Pr. Pyjamas
1 Woolen Jacket
1 Overcoat
1 Small Jacket
1 Pr. High Boots
2 Pr. Work Boots
2 Hats
1 Work Shirt
1 Necktie
1 Pr. Khaki Pants & Belt
1 Pr. Rubber Pants
1 Knife Rack
2 Bread Boards
1 Primus Stove
1 Clothes Rack
1 Blind
1 Broom & Dustpan
3 Nail Boxes with Nails
1 Empty Nail Box
2 Keys
6 Cans Paint
1 Box Cement
1 Oil Can
3 Metal Wreath Bases

The following goods inventoried in January 20, 1942, were handed to a friend of Masao MIYAMOTO, a Mrs. D. MIYAMOTO, for shipment to Mr. MIYAMOTO upon his request:

1 Gold Waltham Watch	1 Blue Striped Suit with	1 Brown Vest & Coat
1 Pr. Gloves	2 Pants	1 Tooth Brush
1 Pr. Grey Pants	1 Woolen Grey Sweater	1 Fountain Pen
1 Pr. Socks	1 Dress Shirt	1 Overcoat.
1 Suit Underwear	1 White Pullover	

The following were handed to Mrs. D. MIYAMOTO for distribution to friends:

75 Bottles Preserved Fruit & Vegetables 2 Packets Dried Vegetables
and a quantity of groceries which were opened and not in condition to be stored.

Matthewson
Apr 2/47

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 14748/1

February 23rd, 1944

To: FILE

From: Mr. Green

Re: Masao MIYAMOTO

Reference to this file shows that it is rather unfortunate that this man's effects were sold at auction, among them the sewing machine, having regard to the fact that he has been remitting us money for the payment of the balance owing thereon. It will, however, be seen from letter of today's date that very heavy storage charges have been paid since this man's evacuation from the Coast.

When the writer instructed Mr. Burnip of Port Alberni to sell the remaining Japanese belongings at his end, he, the writer, did not mean to refer to the belongings of Miyamoto with whose file (this man having been recently interned) he was unfamiliar. It does appear to the writer that Mr. Burnip acted rather beyond his authority in removing these goods, but the misunderstanding was probably a genuine one in view of our Internee Department's letter of March 30th, 1943, reading as follows:

"It is our intention to sell these goods but before doing so, we would like to have you give us an estimate of what the realization would amount to if sold by auction. What percentage of the selling price would you charge for your services, including your commission and all costs of the sale? What amount would you guarantee to realize by auction, and if we require a guarantee will there be any change in the rates and commission charged by you?"

"We are today writing the West Coast Freight Service asking them to allow you to inspect these goods in storage with them."

This is the only case where an auction has been held without the writer or a member of the Custodian staff



TELEPHONE
PACIFIC 0154

RECEIVED
JAN 21 1942

Answered

ELECTROLUX (CANADA) LIMITED

FACTORY & HEAD OFFICE MONTREAL

ROOM 802 CREDIT FONCIER BLDG.,
850 WEST HASTINGS ST.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE
SALES MANAGER
FOR
WESTERN CANADA

January 20, 1942

Mr. P. W. MacPherson,
Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Account 10-3890 Masao Miyamoto

Dear Sir:

Further to our telephone conversation of this morning, Mr. Miyamoto of Third Avenue, South, Port Alberni, purchased an Electrolux Model Z30, Serial No. 1011894, on September 10, 1941, from our dealer, Mr. Henry Boe, of Port Alberni. The purchase price, including carrying charges, was \$98.45, and to date the customer has paid \$32.00 leaving a balance of \$66.45.

Mr. Miyamoto signed our usual lien note thereby agreeing that title and ownership in the Electrolux remains with Electrolux (Canada) Limited until the balance is paid in full.

I understand that our customer's landlord is endeavouring to obtain access to his property for the purpose of taking an inventory of the household effects therein, and that if he finds our machine is among the contents you will endeavour to obtain a release from Mr. Miyamoto in the internment camp, in order that we will be able to re-possess without recourse to the Courts.

I wish to express my thanks for your cooperation in this matter, and will be looking forward to hearing from you shortly.

Yours very truly,
ELECTROLUX (CANADA) LIMITED,

G. K. Simpson,
Auditor.

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NAME MIYAMOTO, MasaoREGISTRATION NO. 07629 ⁰⁷⁶⁶⁵FILE NO. 14748

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Port Alberni, B. C. on January 12, 1944.

Electrolux	\$ 55.00 ✓
Coleman Stove	5.00 ✓
Rug	2.60 ✓
Singer Sewing Machine	92.00 ✓
1 Lamp (electric)	2.00 ✓
1 Coffee table	1.00 ✓
1 Suitcase	.50 ✓
3 pictures	2.25 P
2 Mirrors	1.50 ✓
1 Picture	.50 ✓
1 Alarm clock	1.60 ✓
1 Thermos flask	1.00 ✓
1 Pen knife	.25 ✓
1 Silk bedspread	2.50 ✓
1 Pr. W. Blankets	6.00 ✓
1 Pr. sheets	1.25 ✓
1 comforter	3.25 ✓
1 Bed complete (no mattress)	9.50 ✓
1 Hair clippers	1.50 ✓
Heater	4.50 ✓
1 Electrolux rubber vault	3.50 ✓
1 Axe	.50 ✓
1 Kettle	.50 K
1 Congoleum	10.00 ✓
1 Electric pad	1.80 ✓
1 Extension	1.00 ✓
2 chairs	1.50 F
1 Single bed (Not sold)	

Total:

Total carried forward

\$ 212.50

~~Less Expenses:~~~~Net Proceeds:~~~~Members of Auctioneer's Staff Present:~~~~Extracted from Auctioneer's List No. 1~~~~Remarks:~~

✓ ~~Alfred~~ - 278.85
 ✓ ~~F. J. Smith~~ - 10.75
 ✓ ~~C. Clacking~~ - 14.85
 ✓ ~~K. Kitchener~~ - 10.25
 ✓ ~~T. Zool~~ - 12.25
 ✓ ~~G. Groceries~~ - 6.00
 ✓ ~~Mic. Truller~~ - 1.25

NAME MIYAMOTO, Masao

REGISTRATION NO. 07629 ⁰⁷⁶⁶⁵

FILE NO. 14748

The following chattels were sold by public
suction at Port Alberni, B. C. on January 12, 1944.

	Brought forward	\$ 212.50
1 Grass shears		1.50 T
Hoe		.50 T
1 Bicycle		20.00 ✓
1 Pr. curtains		.50 F
Table		1.25 F
Camp cot (damaged)		.75 ✓
2 Stools		1.00 F
1 Chair		.75 F
Pontiac Range		28.00 ✓
1 Electric toaster		3.85 ✓
1 Electric fan		3.00 ✓
Garden rake		.50 T
Double bladed axe		.50 T
Magazine rack		1.25 ✓
Tool chest		4.25 ✓
Hot water bottle		1.00 ✓
Punch bar		.75 T
Coal oil can & funnel		.50 ✓
Kitchen cabinet		10.00 ✓
2 Kitchen chairs		1.50 F
1 Box soap		.50 G
1 Rain hat & coat		1.25 ✓
1 Garden spray		1.25 T
1 Cooler (homemade)		.50 ✓
1 Fish rod		.35 ✓
2 Punches		.10 T
1 Pocket knife		.25 T
Total:		\$ 298.05
	Total carried forward	
Less: Expenses		
Net Proceeds Credit		
Members of Custodian Staff Present		
Witnesses from Auctioneering List No.		
Remarks		

NAME MIYAMOTO, Masao

REGISTRATION NO. 07629 ⁰⁷⁶⁶⁵

FILE NO. 14748

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Port Alberni, B. C. on January 12, 1944.

Brought forward	\$ 298.05
Small Saw	.75 T
2 Pret Saws	.60 T
Hatchet	.35 T
T. Square	.50 T
Wood plane	.25 T
2 Paint brushes	.15 T
Spirit Level	1.25 T
Screw driver	.25 T
Miscellaneous tools	.35 T
Hammer	.75 T
Square	.60 T
Miscellaneous tools	.35 T
Dry goods - Sheets, overalls etc.	15.60 C
Crockery	10.40 K
Groceries	5.50 Gr.
Miscellaneous	1.00 M

Total:	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 33.68
Less Expenses:	(Advertising: 2.05
	(Moving: 19.50

\$ 336.70

\$ 55.23

\$ 281.47

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Port Alberni 1.

Remarks.

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February 23rd, 1944

Mr. Masao MIYAMOTO,
Registration No. 07629,
P. O. Box 353,
Schreiber, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

Further to our letter of February 17th written by the Claims Department, we now have to advise you that your remaining belongings, including the sewing machine left at Port Alberni, have been sold at public auction for a net sum of \$281.47. We should mention that while you were interned, several enquiries were made at Port Alberni and the highest offer received was for \$150.00 cash.

It was felt that the sale of your effects was the only economical course since storage charges were accruing on them all the time. Our records show that no less than \$115.00 have been paid in storage charges to the West Coast Freight Service Ltd. since you left the protected area.

We are enclosing a sheet giving full particulars of sales and expenses. The net proceeds of \$281.47 have been credited to your account and will be available to you on application to our Claims Department and their being satisfied that all outstanding claims against you have been met.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

Enc.
HFG:IF

Turner Brothers Ltd.

REAL ESTATE-INSURANCE-INVESTMENTS-BONDS
RAILWAY AND STEAMSHIP TICKETS

Port Alberni, B.C.

Rec'd	MAY 15 1943
File No.	251
Ans.	MR Peen

May 13, 1943.

Mr. K. W. Wright,
Counsel to the Custodian,
912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: P/W A-489, MIYAMOTO, Masao

Referring to yours of the 6th, file #251, it is our opinion that \$150.00 is a very fair offer for the Contents. Since receiving your letter we got in touch with Mr. William Burnip who stores the Japanese effects. Mr. Burnip is one of the leading auctioneers for this city. He does not advise to sell by auction as there would be considerable cost in advertising, auctioneer's fees, and expenses. However, he is willing to offer \$150.00 cash for the Effects. The effects are all in boxes so it is impossible to tell just how much value there is.

We would recommend selling the Effects to Mr. Burnip as he stores Japanese goods and from time to time is very helpful should we require any information.

We would appreciate hearing from you.

Yours very truly,

TURNER BROTHERS LIMITED

Per:

W. Turner

RHT:JT

*Personal
goods?
Re: 46.12
re sewing machine*

Rec'd APR 8 1943
 File No. _____
 Ans. *MR Piers*
 Referred

Box 364,
 Port Alberni, B. C.
 March 5, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION
 Rec'd APR 7 1943
 File No. _____
 Ans. *MR Piers*
 Referred

Mr. K. W. Wright,
 Custodian Office,
 912 Royal Bank Building,
 Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: File No. 251

In reply to your correspondence re goods in storage at West Coast Freight re Miyamoto. I went over to the West Coast Freight and Mr. Walker showed me the goods in question, but he had not the man or the time to check the stock over with me as it would take five or six hours as they are all in small boxes. However, I looked over the larger goods and some of the smaller and judged the balance accordingly as the time of two men checking would cost too much.

This stock is not of any great value as the small goods and dry goods are used and damaged and would not realize very much, in fact you would have to put lots together to sell them, as you could never sell them piecemeal. There is only seven or eight pieces of the larger stock of any great value.

I value the stock at \$150.00 if sold by auction but would not give any guarantee to that figure.

I would give a cash offer of \$125.00 for said goods and I believe you would be ahead as there are so much small goods and not sufficient larger goods to make a successful auction.

Charges if sold by Auction:

Handling and checking of goods at West Coast Freight Shed	\$10.00
Teaming from Shed to Auction Room	3.50
Advertising of Sale	4.00
10% Auction Commission	?

Yours truly,

William Burnip K.W.
 Auctioneer.

*I have an exact copy
 of Goods*

DIVISION: "A"

DISTRICT: West Coast.

DETACHMENT: Port Alberni City.

FILE No.

DATE: 20.1.42.

FR or PCR

Organized Territory - City of Port Alberni.

23.12.41.

REPORT.MIYAMOTO, Masao - Japanese - Interned.

HOURS REF.

DIV'L REF.

DIST. REF.

DET. REF.

1. In accordance with your instructions, I beg to report that the request of Messrs Ross & Sons, representatives of the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property, was obeyed on 15th inst. On that date, accompanied by a representative of the West Coast Freight, whom I hired to remove and store the effects, and Mrs Jean Nitti, a Japanese friend of the internee, I made an inventory of all effects in the house on 3rd Avne. Four copies of this inventory were made; the original is attached hereto for the information of Messrs Ross, one copy was handed to the West Coast Freight, one copy was given to Mrs Nitti for the internee, and one copy is retained in this office.

2. Pages 1 to 8 of this list represents the effects handed over for storage to the West Coast Freight, Port Alberni for storage. Page 9 is certain personal effects handed to Mrs D. Miyamoto, close friend of internee, to be forwarded to him at the Immigration Sheds, Vancouver, where he now is. He had written to Mrs Miyamoto, asking her to forward these things. Page 10 represents certain bottles of fruit, etc which would spoil under prolonged storage and opened packets of household supplies which were in the larder.

3. A small quantity of lumber, which was in the house and which it was not worth while storing, was sold by me to a local woodworking firm for \$3.25, and this sum was placed to the credit of the internee in his account in the local branch of the Royal Bank of Canada. Also was lodged to his credit in this account another cheque for \$30.40 received from Messrs Bloodel, Stewart & Welch. A previous cheque from the same source for \$84.03 had already been deposited in this account by the neighbour referred to in my previous letter.

4. Bankbook for this account, showing credit of \$202.49 is herewith forwarded, also another book from the East End (Vancouver) Branch of the same Bank, with credit of \$40.00. A Canadian Bank of Commerce bankbook with credit of \$29. is also forwarded. All these were found in the personal papers of the internee. Also found and forwarded are two \$5.00 War Savings Certificates, Sun Life Insurance policy, Home Assurance Accident Policy, and an agreement of Sale dated May 2nd, 1927. Effects were removed by the West Coast Freight for storage on the 17th, and on this date I am having the house cleaned up by them. When this is completed, I will hand the keys over to Mr. Bird, the Landlord.

5. I should mention that the items shown on page 10 were handed to Mrs Miyamoto for distribution among deserving members of the Japanese community. Additional copy of this report attached for the information of Messrs Ross & Sons.

The Officer Commanding,
"A" Division, B.C.P.P.,
Victoria, B.C.

J.H. McClinton, Sgt.
"B" CO 1/c West Cst Dist.

UNION "A"

DISTRICT: West Coast

DETACHMENT: Port Alberni City.



FILE No.

DATE: 20-1-42

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MITAMOTO, Masao. - Japanese - Interned.

To: Commissioner,
B.C. Police, CIB.,
Victoria, B.C.

FORWARDED:
22-1-42

In order that your files may be complete would you send these articles and copy of the report to Messrs. Ross & Sons, Chartered Accountants, Vancouver, B.C., through your office.

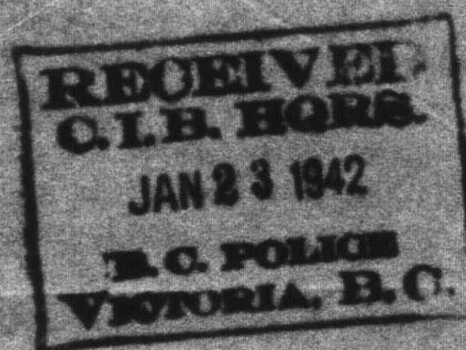
R. Owens
(R. Owens) Inspector,
Commandg. "A" Divn.

HQ'S REF.

DIV'L REF.

DIST. REF.

DET. REF.



Should show whether its subject-matter relates to organized or unorganized territory. If organized, clearly state the particular concerned. Any report rendered under the "Government Liquor Act" should state the amount of expenses incurred therein.

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23rd Dec., 1941.

Officer Commanding,

"A" Divn., B.C.P.P., Victoria, B.C.

Japanese Interned.

1. I should be glad if I could have some information on the following matter.
2. One of the Japanese men arrested for internment here has no relatives at present in Canada. His wife and family are now on a visit to Japan. A cheque for some \$80.00 is at present held by a neighbour against the B. S. & W. Company, which this man received for wages, and which he handed to this neighbour to clear up all outstanding bills, etc. However, the cheque cannot be cashed, as he has not endorsed it.
3. In addition his house, complete with furniture, is here and his neighbour is looking after it, but his landlord, a white man, is anxious about the rent assuming this man will be gone until the cessation of hostilities.
4. I have informed these people that the problem is one for the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property, but to date no action appears to have been taken by that official, and in order to avoid hardship perhaps the matter could be taken in hand at once.
5. The particular case to which I refer is that of Mr. 07665 MASAO MIYAMOTO.

(sgd) J.H. McClinton, Sgt.,
NCO i/c West Coast Dist.

To: Commissioner,
B.C. Police, CIB.

FORWARDED:
27-12-41.

In view of Paragraph 4 and the obligations to the Custodian of Enemy Property I hesitate to give instructions in this matter, but I would think the simplest way to deal with it would be to take the cheque to the B.S. & W. Company and ask them to issue cash in lieu thereof or for the parties to secure the services of a lawyer to act for them. May I have your views.
Of course, the cheque could be sent to Miyamoto for endorsement if his address were known.

(SGD) R. Owens, Inspector,
Commandg. "A" Divn.

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CORRESPONDENCE ETC., REMOVED FROM
FILE No. 14748 AND PLACED ON CLAIM FILE

December 23rd 1941	Copy of Memorandum of O/C B.C. Provincial Police from N.C.O. i/c West Coast Dist regarding cheque received by Internee for wages which he handed to neighbour in payment of debt but which was not endorsed - stating family of Internee at this date was in Japan.
December 27th 1941	Reply written at foot of above memo with instructions regarding disposition of cheque.
December 31st 1941	Letter to Messrs P.S. Ross from Asst Commissioner, R.C.M.P. enclosing report on status of Masao Miyamoto and requesting advice.
January 20th 1942	R.C.M.P. report made by N.C.O. i/c, Port Alberni, reporting inventory made of certain chattels; also reporting deposit in bank of three sums of money proceeds of certain sales. Attached to above is the inventory referred to - 10 notebook pages, written in pencil and dated 15th January 1942.
Undated	P/W "JP" form signed by "M. Miyamoto" received by Office of Custodian July 9th 1942.
"	Inventory of Chattels.
30th March 1943	Letter to Mr Wm Burnip, Port Alberni, from Custodian enclosing copy of Inventory and requesting estimate of amount likely to be realized by sale by auction, including costs etc.,
30th March 1943	A letter similar to above to Mr A. Flanagan, Port Alberni, from Office of the Custodian.
5th March 1943	Letter from Mr Wm Burnip to Custodian giving value of \$150.00 on chattels, with cash offer of \$125.00.
5th April 1943	Letter from Mr A. Flanagan with offer of \$100.00
12th April 1943	Letter from Lee Bros., Port Alberni, offering \$150.00
May 13th 1943	Letter from Turner Bros., recommending sale to Mr Burnip for \$150.00
May 27th 1943	Letter from West Coast Freight Service Ltd offering \$125.00.
23rd February 1944	Copy letter from Custodian to Mr Miyamoto reporting sale by auction - gross amount realized \$281.47. Statement of chattels sold by auction on January 12th 1944.
21st November 1947	Claim with Inventory of Chattels attached (6 pages) Analysis of Personal Property Claim

PLACED IN ENVELOPE FOR MR HUNTER:

April 12th 1948	Letter to Mr Miyamoto from Custodian requesting itemized description of personal property.
April 1st 1947	Chattels Schedule
April 1st 1947	Personal Property Summary
January 20th 1942	Letter from Electrolux (Canada) Ltd re payments due on Electrolux.
January 23rd 1942	Letter from Mr Miyamoto requesting payments be made from his bank account.
December 24th 1942	Letter from Singer Sewing Machine Co., stating Mr Miyamoto had instructed them to take back the machine on which there was a balance due of \$60.50.
January 4th 1942 ? 3	Letter from Commandant, Angler, stating Miyamoto wished to retain Sewing Machine: also chattels stored at Port Alberni.
August 17th 1943	Letter from Mr Miyamoto enclosing \$10.00, August payment on Machine.
February 23rd 1944	File memorandum (Mr Green) re misunderstanding on Mr Burnip's part in selling chattels.
21st March 1944	Memo - Mr Wright to Mr Green regarding price received for machine - \$92.00 suggesting Mr Miyamoto would probably be well satisfied. Analysis of Personal Property Claim.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 14748

April 2, 1947

Re: Masao MIYAMOTO, Reg. No. 07629

This file reveals the following claims:

1. Sumura Bros. - \$18.47. This was paid on August 10, 1942 from MIYAMOTO's funds.
2. Electrolux (Canada) Ltd. - \$66.45. Paid August 10, 1942 from MIYAMOTO's funds.
3. Union Fish Co. Ltd. - \$4.60. Paid August 10, 1942, from MIYAMOTO's funds.
4. West Coast Freight Service (storage) \$35.50. Paid August 10, 1942 from MIYAMOTO's funds.
5. George H. Bird (rent) - \$10.00. Paid August 10, 1942 from MIYAMOTO's funds.
6. T. Nakawa Stores Ltd. - \$18.36. Paid August 10, 1942, from MIYAMOTO's funds.
7. Kikajiro TANAKA, File 10727 - \$17.53 Acknowledged March 31, 1943 - *Being paid 4/2/47*
8. M. NISHIGUCHI, Ltd. - \$131.57 - On March 31, 1943 MIYAMOTO informed us that he had paid this claim to their salesman.
9. Singer Sewing Machine Co. - \$60.50. Paid in full by remittance sent in by MIYAMOTO.
10. West Coast Freight Service (storage) \$45.00 Paid May 20, 1943.
West Coast Freight Service (storage) \$35.00 Paid Feb. 19, 1944

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

J. Matheson

April 2, 1947

/FM

14748

April 2, 1947

Mr. Masao MIYABUTO,
Reg. No. 07665,
10727 Esile Street,
Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Sir:

As requested by you, we are enclosing Custodian cheque for the sum of \$234.21. This cheque represents the entire credit balance in your account at this time.

You were previously informed of the sale of your chattels for the net sum of \$281.47, which was credited to your account. From this sum the following claims were paid:

West Coast Freight Storage Service (storage charge)	\$35.00
Kikujiro TANAKA, New Fish Market	17.53

These payments left the balance of \$234.21 in your account.

No property identified as belonging to you remains under the control of the Custodian. Your account and file are therefore being closed.

Yours truly,

P. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/TM
/Enclosure

SINGER SEWING MACHINE COMPANY
INCORPORATED

726 YATES ST.
VICTORIA, B. C.

Printed in Canada
FORM 899

Feb. 21, 1944.

Mr. A. McAlister,
Claims Department,
Japanese Evacuation Sect.,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd.	FEB 22 1944
File No.	14748
Ans.	A. M. A.
Referred	M. W. Hester

Dear Sir:

Upon the payment of ten dollars fifty
cents, for which we enclose receipt, the account with
Masao Miyamoto Reg. #07665 is paid up in full. *am a/p 1000*

We therefore release any further claim
on the sewing machine.

Yours truly,

SINGER SEWING MACHINE CO.

A. D. Knight

ADK/CA

File No. 14748/1

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

August 10th, 1943.

Masao NIYAMOTO - Reg. No. ⁰⁷⁶⁶⁵ 07629

CREDITORS:-

- | | | |
|--|----------|--|
| 1. M. Nishiguchi Ltd..... | \$131.57 | Debtor says not confirmed by creditor. |
| 2. Singer Sewing Machine Co. ^{Paid} X | 60.50 | Debtor admits |
| 3. Kikujiro TANAKA..... | 17.53 | Debtor admits |

DEBTORS:-

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Taro NISHIMURA..... | 25.00 |
| 2. Takeshi MATSUMOTO..... | 20.00 |
| 3. Zenichi KITAMURA..... | 37.00 |
| 4. Seitaro FUJINAMI..... | 26.00 |
| 5. Central Grocery..... | Approx.. 50.00 |

For above Debtors see statement headed: "INTERMENT OPERATIONS" dated June 29th, 1942.

/HDC B. 15-37

10-2-44

1943	Singer etc	Bel. owing
Date	Payments	
Aug	10.50	50.50
Sept	10.00	
Oct	10.00	
Nov	10.00	20.50
Dec 2-	10.00	10.50
Jan	10.50	
Feb		

Turner Brothers Ltd.

REAL ESTATE, INSURANCE, INVESTMENTS, BONDS
RAILWAY AND STEAMSHIP TICKETS

Port Alberni, B. C.

Rec'd	MAY 4 1943
File No	251
Ans.	
referred	MR Peers

May 3, 1943.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-489, MIYAMOTO, Masao

Further to your letter of the 1st inst.
it is our opinion that the offer from Lee Bros.
New and Second Hand Store of \$150.00 for the goods
is the better of the two offers submitted.

We are sorry for the delay in answering and
trust it has not inconvenienced you to greatly.

Yours very truly,

TURNER BROTHERS LIMITED

Per: *John Thomas*

EH: JT

251

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.,
May 1, 1943.

Turner Bros., Ltd.,
Port Alberni, B. C.

Dear Sir: Re: P/W A-489, MIYAMOTO, Masao

On April 16th we wrote you as follows, but to date we do not appear to have been favoured with a reply:

"Sometime ago we wrote you in regard to the personal property of the above internee which is at present stored at the West Coast Freight Service in your city, and you were kind enough to supply us with the names of William Burnip and A. Flanagan who, you state, would be in a position to handle an auction sale of these goods.

We have not received a reply from Mr. Burnip, but Mr. Flanagan wrote us stating that he did not advise an auction sale and offered us the sum of \$100.00 for the goods.

We also have an offer from Lee Bros. New & Second Hand Store of Port Alberni amounting to \$150.00.

Would you kindly advise us whether you consider we should accept the larger of these two offers, or hold an auction sale of the goods, taking into consideration the cost of advertising and the auctioneer's fees, or should we offer these goods for sale by tender?

Thanking you in anticipation of your advise in this matter, we remain,"

Your reply to this enquiry will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP/ms

251

912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.,
April 16, 1943.

Turner Bros. Limited,
Port Alberni, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-489, MIYAMOTO, Masao

Sometime ago we wrote you in regard to the personal property of the above internee which is at present stored at the West Coast Freight Service in your city, and you were kind enough to supply us with the names of William Burnip and A. Flanagan who, you state, would be in a position to handle an auction sale of these goods.

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Would you kindly advise us whether you consider we should accept the larger of these two offers, or hold an auction sale of the goods, taking into consideration the cost of advertising and the auctioneer's fees, or should we offer these goods for sale by tender?

Thanking you in anticipation of your advice in this matter, we remain,

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
Counsel for the Custodian.

GHP/ms

Int. File #251

Rec'd	APR 1 1943
File No.	
Area	March 31st, 1943.
Referred	MR. Piers

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Wright

From: Major McAllister

The following is an extract from a letter dated the 29th of March, 1943, which this department has received from Messrs. Singer Sewing Machine Company, Victoria, B. C.

"We also have an account #3066, Mr. Masao MIYAMOTO. This machine is now located at his place in Port Alberni. We would like to get this machine back as the Japanese has told us he would not pay for it. He is an internee at Petawawa. His number is P/WA1231."

We understand that the above refers to your Internee File No. 251. Perhaps you would be good enough to take the necessary action, please.

AMcA:ND

*If auction is decided upon put reserve price
on sewing machine.*

251.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
March 23rd, 1943.

Camp Commandant,
Angler Internment Camp,
ANGLER, Ontario.

Re: P/W A-489 - MIYAMOTO, Masao

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly parade the above named internee and
inform him that the following claims have been made
against him -

M. Nishiguchi Limited	\$131.57
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	60.50 (Lien)
Kikujiro TANAKA (New Fish Market).	17.53

Will you kindly have the internee state whether he owes
the above noted accounts or not.

Yours truly,

E.W. WRIGHT.
Counsel to the Custodian.

GWP:HW.

REVIEW OF FILE NO. 251

P/W A-489 - MIYAMOTO, Masao

March 23rd, 1943.

Balance at credit	\$50.27
Storage owing to March 31st	35.00
	<u>\$15.27</u>

Claims Paid

Komura Brothers	\$18.47
Electrolux (Canada) Limited	66.45
Union Fish Company	4.60
T. Maikawa Stores Limited	18.36
Geo. H. Bird (Rent)	10.00
West Coast Freight Service (Storage)	34.50
	<u>\$152.38</u>

Rec'd	MAR 24 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	MR Peers

Claims Unpaid

M. Nishiguchi Limited	\$131.57
Singer Sewing Machine Co. (Lien)	60.50
Kikujiro TANAKA (New Fish Market)	17.53
	<u>\$219.50</u>

*Noted reserve price on
if sold at auction.*

The Singer Sewing Machine Company state sale value of machine less than amount owing. Internee states he wishes to keep machine. Suggest return of machine to company in cancellation of debt. Original price - \$114.00.

All accounts were referred to internee, except those of M. Nishiguchi Limited and K. Tanaka. Internee has been written today in regard to these.

An itemized inventory of the goods in storage is on file and, while a great number are of small value, a sale of these goods should yield more than sufficient to pay this man's debts. All of his personal belongings were handed to a friend for safekeeping.

As storage charges on the goods are \$5.00 monthly, for the protection of the remaining creditors a sale of the goods by auction should be made as soon as possible. Should we write Turner Bros. Ltd., our real estate agents at Port Alberni, asking them to recommend an auctioneer who would be in a position to undertake this work.

[Signature]
GHP:MS.

*approved
24/3/43*

INTERNMENT OPERATIONS

PRISONER OF WAR BUSINESS LETTER

SHEET _____ OF _____

FROM NO. **P-1231**
 NAME **Masao Miyamoto,**
 CAMP **Petawawa Internment Camp,**
Petawawa, Ontario.
 DATE **June 29th. 1942.**

TO: **The Custodian's Office,**
501 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Rec'd	301 6 1942
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

Dear Sir:

re:- Masao Miyamoto.

Will you please be kind enough to send me the sum of twenty five dollars(\$25.00) at your earliest convenience for I have no cash money on hand and could not buy anything for daily use.

I also wish you to collect my claims from Mr. Taro Nishimura, Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C. for the sum of \$25.00, from Mr. Takashi Matsumoto, Peace River, B. C. for the sum of \$20.00, from Mr. Kitamura(used be peddler mostly in Vancouver Island and brother to Mr. Kosuke Kitamura on 118 Main St., Vancouver) for the sum of \$37.00, from Mr. Seitaro Fujinami, P-1209 Petawawa Internment Camp, Ont., for the sum of \$26.00 and from Messrs General Central Grocery, Port Alberni, B. C. for the sum of \$50.00(Approximately)the wages of my gardening- *m. m.* gardenings.

Your prompt action in this matter will be very much appreciated.

Yours very truly, *m. m. y. t.**m. m.*

P.S. I have not been paid ever since December 1941 and badly need this amount.



DISTRIBUTION	BY CAMP COMMANDANT	BY COMM'R OF INTERNMENT OPERATIONS
ORIGINAL	TO C.I.O.	TO Custodian (Vancouver, B.C.)
DUPLICATE	TO C.I. O.	TO "
TRIPLICATE	TO C.I.O.	FILED
QUADRUPPLICATE	FILED	RETAINED BY CAMP COMMANDANT

REMARKS *Forwarded.*
J.P. Dobell Capt. 33
 COMMANDANT OF INTERNMENT CAMP No. *33*

REMARKS *Advance recommended. 2nd July, 42*
[Signature]
 BHJB-5
 for
 COMMISSIONER OF INTERNMENT OPERATION
 Captain

251
Legal Section.

501 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.
June 24, 1942.

Camp Commandant,
Internment Camp 33,
Petawawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W P-1231, MIYAMOTO, Masao.

follows:

I have examined this file, and find his liabilities are as

Komura Bros.	\$18.47	
Electrolux (Canada) Ltd. ...	66.45	
Storage Charges (June 15)	35.50	
Geo. H. Bird (Rent for December)	10.00	
T. Maikawa Stores Ltd.	18.36	
Union Fish Co. Ltd.	4.60	\$153.38

His assets consist of:

Cash on hand.....	\$203.65	
2 War Savings Certificates	10.00 (par value)	
Value of furniture.....	Unknown.	\$213.65

I enclose an account from the West Coast Freight Service, covering the storage charges amounting to \$25.00, with an additional charge of \$10.50 for packing, checking, loading, and unloading.

The liabilities will increase slightly as there will no doubt be interest on the Electrolux account, and additional storage from June 15th. What I would suggest is this, that if these accounts are correct, then the internee consent to paying them in full at once. When replying, please return the storage accounts which are attached hereto.

I would like the internee to consider carefully whether or not it would be advisable to sell all the furniture and fixtures, which are at present in storage, and credit his account with the proceeds. The internee, in considering this, should remember that after his debts are provided for, the cash on hand will not amount to very much. I would like a reply in this connection as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosure.
ETR:MS

Edgar T. Read.
(For G. W. McPherson)
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

251
Legal Section.

501 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.,
June 2, 1942.

Mr. Hal Menzies,
Real Estate Agent,
Port Haney, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W P-1231, MIYAMOTO, Masao.

With reference to the following property,

"Municipality of Maple Ridge in the province of British Columbia, and known and described as LOTS "A" and "B" of a subdivision of Lot One (1) of the South West Quarter of Section Twenty One (21) in Township Twelve (12) in the district of New Westminster in the province aforesaid, according to the registered map or plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at the City of New Westminster and numbered _____ said parcels containing in all 10 acres more or less."

Would you please let me know how a sale to William Bracewell from Lila Kinley could be effected in view of the fact that Lila Kinley executed an Agreement for Sale of Land in favor of the Internee on the 2nd day of May, 1927, for \$1,800.00, upon which she received considerable payment? Would you be good enough to look into this matter and let me have a complete report as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Edgar T. Read.

(For G. W. McPherson)
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

ETR/VJ

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

DIVISION "E" SUB-DIVISION Vancouver CIB DETACHMENT Intelligence Section
 PROVINCE B.C. DATE Dec.19th,1941.

FILE REFERENCES
SECRET

RE: Masao MIYAMOTO (Jap)
 Port Alberni, B.C.

QUARTERS

1. The above named is at present in custody at the Canadian Immigration Detention Shed in Vancouver having been arrested as an alien enemy. He is 39 years old and is employed as a millworker with the Bleedel Company of Port Alberni. He is married and resides with his wife, Kiyoko and five small children in Port Alberni.

SUB-DIVISION

2. This man has been interviewed by the writer in an effort to obtain information which might prove of value to the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property in the administration of his affairs.

DETACHMENT

3. Miyamoto has an account with the Royal Bank of Canada, Port Alberni with a balance of about \$80. and another similar account with the Royal Bank of Canada, East End Branch, Vancouver with a balance of about \$49. He has no safety deposit box and there is no account in his wife's name.

P. C. R.

4. He has no victory bonds or other form of investment but states that he has about \$10. in war savings certificates at his home. He has no life insurance but does carry a accident and sickness policy with the Home Insurance Company of Toronto, Ontario. He has no car and rents the house in Port Alberni in which his family reside for \$15.00 per month. The contents of the house are worth about \$800.

A. R. V. No.

5. Subject states that he owes between forty and fifty dollars to Maikawa & Co., Vancouver and \$20 to the Union Fish Co., in Vancouver.

6. An effort will be made to verify the information contained above at an early date with the cooperation of the local representative of the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property.

H.A. Maxted, A/Cpl.
 Reg. No. 12041.

DIARY DATE

SET FOR.....

This Indenture

made this *Twenty Second* day of *June* in
the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty three

Between

MASAO MIYAMOTO of the town of Port Haney in the
province of British Columbia, farmer

hereinafter called the Party of the First Part,

AND

LILA KINLEY of the town of Port Haney aforesaid,
housekeeper.

hereinafter called the Party of the Second Part,

Insert Full Name,
Street Address and
Occupation of each
Party.

Witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) ----- of the lawful money of Canada to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, at or before the sealing or delivery of these presents (the receipt whereof is hereby by him acknowledged) hath granted, released and quitted claim and by these presents Doth Grant, Release, and Quit Claim unto the said party of the second part, the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, claim and demand whatsoever both at law and equity or otherwise howsoever and whether in possession or expectancy of him the said party of the first part of, in, to or out of All and singular th at certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the municipality of Maple Ridge in the province of British Columbia and known and described as LOT ONE(1) of a Subdivision of Lot "A" of a subdivision of Lot One(1) of a Subdivision of South West Quarter of Section 21, Township 12 New Westmindter District according to the registered Map Number _____

Together with the appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining ~~To Have~~ and ~~To Hold~~ the aforesaid lands and premises with all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining unto and to the use of the said party of the second part, subject nevertheless to the reservations, limitations, provisos and conditions expressed in the original Grant thereof from the Crown.

Wherever the singular or the masculine is used in this Indenture, the same shall be deemed to include the plural or the feminine, or the body politic or corporate; also the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties hereto and each of them (where the context or the parties so requires)

In Witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered

In the presence of

Signature of Witness

Street Address

City or Town

Occupation of Witness

Albert M. Mangan
Port Harvey B.C.
Notary Public

m. Mangan

FOR WITNESS

Province of British Columbia
To Wit:

I, _____, of the _____, in the Province of British Columbia, do hereby certify that the within instrument was executed at _____, in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

1. I was personally present and did see the within instrument duly signed and executed by _____, the part _____, thereunto, for the purposes named therein.

2. The said instrument was executed at _____, in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

3. I know the said part _____, and that _____, of the full age of twenty-one years.

4. I am the subscribing witness to the said instrument and am of the full age of sixteen years.

Sworn before me at _____, in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

FOR MAKER (INCLUDING MARRIED WOMEN)

I, _____, of the _____, in the Province of British Columbia, do hereby certify that, on the _____ day of _____, 19____, at _____, in the Province of British Columbia, the said _____, of the full age of _____ years, personally known to me, appeared before me and acknowledged to me that _____, the person mentioned in the annexed instrument as _____, subscribed thereto as part _____, that _____, of the full age of twenty-one years, whereof I have hereto set my Hand and Seal of Office, in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, 19____, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty _____.

IN TESTIMONY whereof I have hereto set my Hand and Seal of Office, in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

MAKAO MIYANOTO

LILA KINLEY

TO

Quit Claim Deed

The Clarke & Stuart Co., Ltd., Law Printers and Stationers,
Form No. 11
Vancouver, B. C.

Lot 1 of Lot "A" of Lot 1 of
S.W. 4sec. 21 Twp. 12. N. 3. D.

Hal Menties
Port Haney B.C.
Notary Public.

FOR THE SECRETARY (OR OTHER OFFICER) OF A CORPORATION

I, _____, of the _____, in the Province of British Columbia, do hereby certify that, on the _____ day of _____, 19____, at _____, in the Province of British Columbia, the said _____, of the full age of _____ years, personally known to me, appeared before me and acknowledged to me that he is the _____, who subscribed his name to the annexed instrument as _____, to the said instrument, that he was first duly authorized to subscribe his name as aforesaid, and affix the said seal to the said instrument, and that such corporation is legally entitled to hold and dispose of land in the Province of British Columbia.

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This Agreement, made in duplicate this **Second**day of **May**
BETWEENin the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty- **seven****LILA KINLEY** of the town of Port Hammond in the province
of British Columbia. housekeeper.Name,
Address, and
Occupation
of Partieshereinafter called the "Vendor" of the one part
AND**MASO MIYAMOTO** of the town of Port Haney in the aforesaid
province, farmer.

hereinafter called the "Purchaser" of the other part.

WHEREAS, the Vendor has agreed to sell to the Purchaser and the Purchaser has agreed to purchase of and from the Vendor the lands and hereditaments hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in Municipality of Maple Ridge in the province of British Columbia, and known and described as LOTS "A" and "B" of a subdivision of Lot One (1) of the South West Quarter of Section Twenty One (21) in Township Twelve (12) in the district of New Westminster in the province aforesaid, according to the registered map or plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at the City of New Westminster and numbered _____ said parcels containing in all 10 Acres more or less.

TOGETHER with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging at or for the price or sum of **EIGHTYFIVE HUNDRED (\$1800.00)**----- Dollars of lawful money of Canada, payable in manner and on the days and times hereinafter mentioned, that is to say: the sum of **SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE (\$685.00)**----- Dollars on the execution of this Agreement (the receipt whereof the said Vendor doth hereby admit and acknowledge), and the balance payable as follows: **The Sum of FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE (\$565.00)** on the Second day of May 1928

The Sum of FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY (\$550.00) on the Second day of May 1929

TOGETHER with interest on the balance from time to time owing under this Agreement at the rate of **EIGHT (8%)**----- per cent. per annum, payable **with each instalment** of principal.

NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED by the parties hereto, in the manner following, that is to say: THE Purchaser DOETH COVENANT, PROMISE AND AGREE to and with the Vendor that he will and truly pay, or cause to be paid, to the Vendor the said sums of money above mentioned, together with the interest thereon at the rate aforesaid both before and after maturity and on the days and times in manner above mentioned; all sums in arrear for interest from time to time shall bear interest at the rate aforesaid from due date until payment; AND also shall and will pay and discharge all taxes, rates and assessments wherewith the said land may be rated or charged from and after this date, including local improvement assessments and sewer rates, whether already or hereafter assessed. THE PURCHASER shall during the continuance of this agreement, and so long as any money remains unpaid hereunder, insure and keep insured against loss or damage by fire all buildings now on the said lands, or which may be hereafter erected thereon, in the sum of their full insurable value with some insurance company to be approved by the Vendor, and will pay all premiums and sums of money necessary for such purpose as the same shall become due; and will assign, transfer and deliver over to the Vendor the policy or policies of insurance, receipt and receipts, thereto pertaining, and if the Vendor shall pay any premiums or sums of money for insurance of the said premises, or any part thereof, the amount of such payments shall be added to the amount unpaid hereunder and shall bear interest at the rate aforesaid from the time of such payment and shall be payable forthwith. IN CONSIDERATION WHEREOF, and on payment of the said sum of money, with interest thereon as aforesaid, the Vendor DOETH COVENANT, PROMISE AND AGREE to and with the Purchaser to convey and assure, or cause to be conveyed and assured, to the Purchaser by a good and sufficient deed in fee simple, ALL THAT the said piece or parcel of land above described, together with the appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining, FREED AND DISCHARGED FROM ALL ENCUMBRANCES, save and except

AND ALSO save and except local improvement assessments or taxes and sewer rates from and after the date hereof, and subject to the conditions and reservations in the original grant thereof from the Crown, and such deed shall be prepared at the expense of the Purchaser and shall contain the usual statutory covenants, but the Vendor shall not be required to furnish any abstract of title, or proof or evidence of title, or any deeds, papers or documents or copies of any deeds, papers or documents relating to the said property other than those which are now in possession of the Vendor, save and except the Certificate of Title, which shall be deposited in the Land Registry office by the Vendor. AND ALSO shall and will suffer and permit the Purchaser to occupy and enjoy the same until default be made in the payment of said sum of money, or interest thereon, or any part thereof, on the days and times in the manner above mentioned, subject, nevertheless, to impeachment for voluntary or permissive waste.

AND it is expressly agreed that time is to be considered the essence of this Agreement. Unless the payments above mentioned are punctually made at the times and in the manner above mentioned, and as often as any default shall happen in making such payments the Vendor may give the Purchaser thirty days' notice in writing, demanding payment thereof, and in case any default shall continue, these presents shall, at the expiration of such notice, be null and void and of no effect, and the Vendor shall have the right to re-enter upon and take possession of the said land and premises; and in such event any amount paid on account of the price thereof shall be retained by the Vendor as liquidated and ascertained damages for the non-fulfilment of this Agreement to purchase the said land and pay the price thereof and interest, and on such default as aforesaid the Vendor shall have the right to sell and convey the said lands and premises to any purchaser thereof.

THE VENDOR shall have the right at all times and without the consent of the Purchaser, to assign or transfer all his right, title and interest in this Agreement for sale to any person whomsoever, provided, however, that the Vendor shall forthwith give notice thereof in writing to the Purchaser, specifying the name of such person and the full address at which subsequent payments hereunder shall be made by the Purchaser.

AND ALSO, it is hereby agreed that the Purchaser may at any time within the above-mentioned period pay the balance of the purchase money of the said lands and the interest thereon, at the rate aforesaid up to the date of such payment, unless this Agreement is rendered null and void as herein provided. AND IT IS HEREBY DECLARED that any demand or notice which may be required for the purpose of these presents, or any of them, shall be well and sufficiently given if delivered to the Purchaser or mailed at any Post Office, under registered cover, addressed as follows:

NASAO MIYAMOTO, Port Haney, B.C.

or at such other address as the Purchaser shall specify in writing to the Vendor.

AND IT IS EXPRESSLY AGREED between the parties hereto that all grants, covenants, provisos and agreements, rights, powers, privileges and liabilities contained in this Agreement shall be read and held as made by and with, granted to and imposed upon, the respective parties hereto, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, the same as if the words heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns had been inscribed in all proper and necessary places; AND wherever the singular or the masculine pronoun is used, the same shall be construed as meaning the plural or feminine or the body politic or corporate where the context or the parties hereto so require.

In the event of this Agreement being registered and in the event of default being made in any payment or in respect of any of the covenants herein contained, whether before or after such registration, it is expressly agreed that the Vendor shall be at liberty to cancel, remove and determine such registration on production to the Registrar of Land Titles of a satisfactory declaration that such default has occurred and is then continuing.

AND the Purchaser hereby irrevocably appoints the Vendor his true and lawful attorney for and in the name of the Purchaser to cancel, remove and determine such registration in the event of default as aforesaid.

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

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
in the Presence of:

Signature of Witness

Street Address

City

Occupation

Witness as to both

Lila Kinley

Masao Miyamoto

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
To Wit:

of the
in the Province of British Columbia.

I,
of

make oath and say:

1. I was personally present and did see the within instrument duly signed and executed by the part thereto, for the purposes named therein.
2. The said instrument was executed at
3. I know the said part, and that
4. I am the subscribing witness to the said instrument and am of the full age of sixteen years.

of the full age of twenty-one years.

Sworn before me at

in the Province of British Columbia, this
day of 1927

A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia,
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia

FOR MAKER (INCLUDING MARRIED WOMAN)

I hereby Certify that, on the
Port Haney

Second day of

day of May

1927 at

in the Province of British Columbia.

(whose identity has been proved by the evidence on
before me) personally known to me, appeared

before me and acknowledged to me that
the maker thereof, and whose name
contents thereof, and that she

she is
she has

the person mentioned in the annexed instrument as
subscribed thereto as party, that she knows the
executed the same voluntarily, and is of the full age of twenty-one years.

IN TESTIMONY whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office
at Port Hammond in the Province of
British Columbia, this 2nd day of May
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twentyseven

A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia,
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia

Note:—Where the person making the acknowledgment is personally known to the Officer taking the same, strike out the words in brackets.

DATE PAID	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	PAID TO
April 30.	50.00	14.00	
May 6th 1927	64.53500	14.25	Wm. J. J. J.

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A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

I hereby certify that, on the _____ day of _____, 1927, as
in the Province of British Columbia
(whose identity has been proved by the evidence on oath of _____, who is) personally known to me,
and that he is the person
of the said _____
and affixed the seal of the
to the said instrument, that he was first duly authorized to subscribe his name as aforesaid, and affix the said seal to the said instrument, and that such corporation is legally entitled to hold and dispose of land in the Province of British Columbia.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office at _____ in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

For the Secretary (or other Officer) of a Corporation

Dated May 2nd 1927 1927
LILA KINLEY
AND
MASAO MIYAMOTO
**Agreement
FOR SALE OF LAND**
The Glens & Stuart Co. Ltd., Law Firm and Solicitors
Vancouver, B. C.
Form No. 37
LOTS "A" & "B" Lot 1 S.W. 1/4
Sec. 21 Twp. 12.N.W.D.

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A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

I hereby certify that, on the _____ day of _____, 1927, as
in the Province of British Columbia
(whose identity has been proved by the evidence on oath of _____, who is) personally known to me, appeared before me and acknowledged to me that he is the person who subscribed the name of _____ to the annexed instrument as the maker thereof, that the said _____ is the same person mentioned in the said instrument as the maker thereof, and is still alive to the best of his belief, and that he knows the contents of said instrument, and subscribed the name of the said _____ as the free act and deed of the said _____, and that the said _____ has not been revoked.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office at _____ in the Province of British Columbia, this _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

FOR ATTORNEY

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23rd Dec., 1941.

Officer Commanding,

"A" Divn., B.C.P.P., Victoria, B.C.

Japanese Interned.

1. I should be glad if I could have some information on the following matter.
2. One of the Japanese men arrested for internment here has no relatives at present in Canada. His wife and family are now on a visit to Japan. A cheque for some \$80.00 is at present held by a neighbour against the B. S. & W. Company, which this man received for wages, and which he handed to this neighbour to clear up all outstanding bills, etc. However, the cheque cannot be cashed, as he has not endorsed it.
3. In addition his house, complete with furniture, is here and his neighbour is looking after it, but his landlord, a white man, is anxious about the rent assuming this man will be gone until the cessation of hostilities.
4. I have informed these people that the problem is one for the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property, but to date no action appears to have been taken by that official, and in order to avoid hardship perhaps the matter could be taken in hand at once.
5. The particular case to which I refer is that of Nr. 07665 MASAO MIYAMOTO.

(sgd) J.H. McClinton, Sgt.,
NCO i/c West Coast Dist.

To: Commissioner,
B.C. Police, CIB.

FORWARDED:
27-12-41.

In view of Paragraph 4 and the obligations to the Custodian of Enemy Property I hesitate to give instructions in this matter, but I would think the simplest way to deal with it would be to take the cheque to the B.S. & W., Company and ask them to issue cash in lieu thereof or for the parties to secure the services of a lawyer to act for them. May I have your views.
Of course, the cheque could be sent to Miyamoto for endorsement if his address were known.

(SGD) R. Owens, Inspector,
Commandg. "A" Divn.

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MEMORANDUM

TO Geo. M. McPherson,

Authorized Deputy of the Sec. of State and Custodian,

501 - Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

FROM THE

LAND REGISTRY OFFICE

New Westminster, B.C. March 27, 1942.

Rec'd
File No.
Referred ☒

Your file #251.

Re: Masao Miyamoto.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favour of the 26th instant and in reply to state.

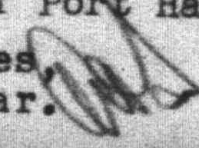
Lots 1 and 2 of Lot "A" of Block 1 of the S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21 Tp. 12 Map 5343 were formerly registered as No. 104165E in name of Lila Kinley.

Lot 1 of A (Map 5343) was conveyed by Lila Kinley to William Bracewell on the 22nd of June, 1933 and registered as No. 104169E.

Lot 2 of A (Map 5343) was conveyed by Lila Wither (formerly Lila Kinley) to Joseph Lowther Wilson on the 29th of September, 1938 and registered as No. 128037E. No registered interest in name of Masao Miyamoto - both conveyances contain the clause that the Grantor had done no acts to encumber the lands.

Lila Wither's (formerly Lila Kinley) address is given as 528 - 51st Ave. East, Vancouver, B. C. Bracewell and Wilson's addresses are Port Haney, B. C.

The Conveyances were prepared by and the Applications for registration were made by Mr. Hal Menzies, a Real Estate Agent of Port Haney, B. C.

E. S. Stokes
Registrar.
per: 

AHS/RS

HAL MENZIES**Real Estate and Insurance**

Fire, Theft, Automobile
Sickness and Accident
Plate Glass and Burglary
Insurance

Notary Public - Conveyances
Loans and Appraisals

HANEY, B. C.

Sun Life Insurance
Company's Agencies

June 5, 1942

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

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Ans.	
Referred	

Attention Mr. Edgar T. Reid
Referring to File #251, Legal Section

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots A & B of a Sub. of Lot 1
of Sub. of S.W. 1/4 Sec. 21, Twp. 12

In reply to your letter of June 2nd, I have to rely on a not too dependable memory for details of a transaction that was concluded many years ago, but I think that the following is substantially correct.

In May, 1927, Masao Miyamoto entered into a contract to purchase the above described property from Lila Kinley for \$1800.00, making an initial payment of \$685.00 with interest at 8%, and as far as my records show, no further payment was made by Miyamoto. This agreement was not registered.

In May, 1930, with the consent of both Miyamoto and Lila Kinley, I negotiated a mortgage on the property to secure the sum of \$300.00 to obtain the funds to pay taxes and arrears of interest.

In June, 1933, I persuaded Miyamoto to sell a lot on the corner of the property to one William Bracewell for \$200. to again obtain funds to pay taxes and interest. As Miyamoto had no registered interest, we conveyed direct from Lila Kinley, the registered owner.

A few years later, Miyamoto advised me that he was relinquishing all interest in the property which, by that time, had very considerably depreciated, even the Bracewell corner was vacant, and the market for such properties at that time was very low.

DIVISION: "A"

DISTRICT: West Coast

DETACHMENT: Port Alberni City



FILE No.

DATE: 10-6-42

FR - FOR

ORGANIZED TERRITORY

CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

REPORT

Port Alberni
City
23-12-41
20-1-42

Re: MIYAMOTO, Masao - Japanese - Interned.

1. Reference letter dated May 29th from Edgar T. Read for G.W. McPherson, Authorized Deputy of the Secretary of State and/or Custodian, addressed to the Officer Commanding "A" Division, in connection with storage of furniture, fixtures, and equipment of the above-named internee.
2. At the request of Messrs. Ross & Sons, representatives of the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property, the above-mentioned articles were removed on 18-1-42 by West Coast Freight Service and stored by them.
3. Cost of packing, checking, loading and unloading of the effects by West Coast Freight amounted to \$10.50. The storage rate for same is \$5.00 per month.
4. Statement in quintuplicate of total charges in connection with the above to June 15th attached hereto.

HOUS. REF.

INV'L REF.

DET. REF.

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To: The Officer Commanding
"A" Divn., B.C. Police,
Victoria, B.C.

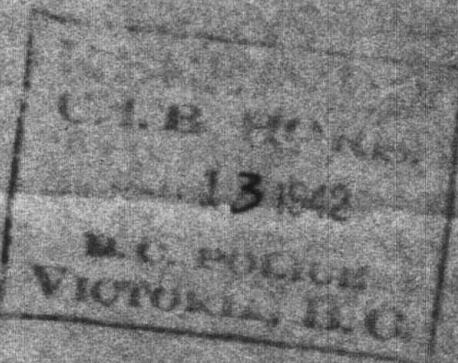
(S. Service) Sgt. I/c
West Coast District.
B.C. Police.
Port Alberni, B.C.

To: Commissioner,
B.C. Police, CIB.,
Victoria, B.C.

FORWARDED:

12-6-42 Original letter from Mr. Read was forwarded to your office on the 1st instant. It would be better if the Custodian's Office would, in the first instance, address all communications to your office, in order that your records would be complete.

(R. Owens) Inspector,
Commandg. "A" Divn.



B.C.P. 12-1000001-000

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REVISION: "A"

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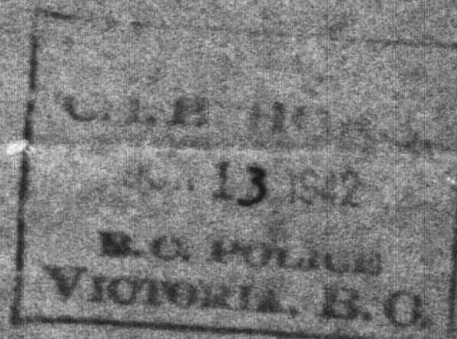
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B.C.P. 12-1000-421-222

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Name of Claimant **MIYAMOTO, Masao**Case **1345**Custodian File **14748**

<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										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		
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>										
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			
<u>NETS</u>										
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
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATELS</u>										
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			
								In lieu	250.00	
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										250.00

14748

October 26th, 1950.

Mr. Masao MIYAMOTO,
10727 Mile Sault aux Recollette,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 1345

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 ... \$250.00.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$228.91
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 21.09
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director

FGS/js
1 encl.

Form G

DEFENCE BRIEF

Montreal, P.Q.
June 3, 1948.

Misao MIYAMOTO

File No. 14748

Case No. 1345

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

1. Chattel Claim

\$1000.00

Appraised at

1. \$125.00
2. \$150.00
3. \$150.00
4. \$125.00

Sold for

\$336.70

5 50

Witnesses: 1. D. Walker, Appraiser, Manager of West Coast Freight Service, dated May 27/43. To be filed.

2. R. H. Turner, Appraiser, of Turner Bros. Ltd., dated May 13, 1943. To be filed.

3. Lee Bros., Appraiser, of Lee Bros. New & 2nd Hand Store, dated April 12/43. 'There isn't much of any value except sewing machine, electrolux, bicycle, and a stove which, if not moved very soon will be of no use as it is badly rusted'. To be filed.

4. William Burnip, K.N., Auctioneer, dated March 5, 1943. To be filed.

See also - Memo dated Feb. 23/44.

Summary of Defence
Witnesses

Where
Required

Summary of Documents
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Witness Proving
Same

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R. H. Turner

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Letter dated May 13/43

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Letter dated Apr. 12/43

William Burnip

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Letter dated March 5/43.

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Form C

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HAC/mw

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

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

BEFORE
(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H.I. BIRD, COMMISSIONER).

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Montreal, P.Q.,
June 3rd, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
HASAO NIYAMOTO.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

J.W.G. HUNTER, Esq., appearing for the
Dominion Government.

ROGER QUINCY, Esq., K.C. appearing for the
Claimant.

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D.J. HANDFORD, Esq., Official Interpreter.
T.P. HORROBIN, Esq., Official Reporter.

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H. Miyamoto,
In Chief.
Discussion.

MR. QUINCY: The next case, my lord, is No. 23,
Masao Miyamoto.

This, my lord, is a claim for personal property,
the original claim is a thousand dollars less
\$336.70, leaving a net balance of \$663.30. The
original claim was for \$663.30, so it need not be
amended.

MASAO MIYAMOTO, the claimant herein, being
first duly sworn, testified through
the interpreter as follows:

10 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. QUINCY:

Q Mr. Miyamoto, you are the claimant in this case?

A Yes.

Q Would you take communication of the personal
chattels form bearing your signature and identify
same and file it with its contents as Exhibit 1?

A Yes.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. QUINCY: Would my learned friend tender the
20 personal property analysis which is referred to in
the form and which I will file as Exhibit 2.

MR. HUNTER: I file the analysis of personal property
claim as Exhibit 2.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. QUINCY: Q: Now, Mr. Miyamoto, you are claiming a
watch. Apparently you had two watches and you
are claiming for one Montcalm watch. My lord,
instead of making an analysis of each small amount,
there have been amounts added to make a total of
30 so much for so many articles.

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In Chief.

THE COMMISSIONER: I see.

MR. QUIMET: Now, what is the answer?

A Yes, I had two watches, one ordinary work day watch and one Sunday watch. I received the ordinary watch, but not the more expensive one.

MR. QUIMET: That is all, my lord. The gold watch is No. 29 on that analysis of personal property claim, valued at \$20.00.

10 MR. HUNTER: It is submitted, my lord, that the personal property was sold for its fair market value. It is submitted that the claims made for personal property not sold are excessive.

I see some notations here but they don't appear to be particularly relevant. It is noticed that the electro-lux was purchased in September of 1941 for \$98.45, including carrying charges.

THE COMMISSIONER: Which are you reading from now?

Oh, I see. You say \$98.00? The electro-lux is shown on Exhibit 1 as having cost \$85.00.

20 MR. HUNTER: It was purchased for \$98.45, including carrying charges. If your Lordship knows finance companies charge a fair rate of interest.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, that will clear that up.

MR. HUNTER: And the sewing machine cost \$114.00, of which \$53.50 had been paid. There are letters here from the various companies, the electro-lux and the Singer Sewing Machine Company, but there is no use burdening the record unless my friend disputes the purchase price.

30 MR. QUIMET: No, I certainly don't.

I would only ask if it is possible that the Interpreter tell the prices that are being set so that the witness may verify them.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, I think that should be done.

If you will pass that on to the claimant, the information Mr. Hunter has given us. First of all, the Electro-Lux cost \$98.45, including carrying charges, and the Singer Sewing Machine cost \$114.00 on account of which \$53.00 had been paid by the claimant.

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A There was \$53.00 owing at the time that I left, but the machine was sold without my knowledge and I continued to make regular payments until the full amount had been paid up.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, all right, Mr. Hunter.

MR. HUNTER: The rest appears, my lord, to be largely a question of value. There are largely inclusive values placed on a large number of items, so it is rather difficult to make a comparison with every sale.

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THE COMMISSIONER: It is gratifying to observe there was no pilfering.

MR. HUNTER: That was, I must say in fairness to the claimant, due to his actions in having properly stored them, my lord. Your Lordship will notice there are a few items here which were supposed to have been shipped. I don't know whether my burned friend knows whether these were received or not.

30 MR. QUINCY: I don't think they were, but the witness

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could be asked the question whether he received them.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. HUNTER:

Q Mr. Miyamoto, I notice under items "unsold" there were turned over to Mrs. Yone Miyamoto for shipment to you at your request these items, (indicating). Would you point out Mr. Handford, whether he ever received these things?

A The things I received should appear separately on another list that you have there.

THE COMMISSIONER: Mr. Hunter, is the point not whether he received them or whether they were delivered to his wife for shipment to him, because I presume the Custodian would not accept responsibility if the delivery was made by the wife.

MR. HUNTER: But if he has received them, that proves it conclusively.

20 MR. QUINCY: At the time, my lord, I understand the claimant was single so they couldn't have been shipped to his wife, but I see from the record they were left with a close friend, a Mrs. S. Miyamoto, but it wasn't his wife. They were sent to Mrs. S. Miyamoto at his request.

THE COMMISSIONER: Have you a list of the articles that were received by him?

MR. QUINCY: He says the list I have in my possession now contains the names of the articles that were received by him, so we might file this.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, but have him identify it first.

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MR. CHERRY: Q: Will you identify the list of articles which were handed to Mrs. S. Miyamoto to be sent to you?

A: The articles I received are listed separately.

Q: When you say that the articles are listed separately, do you mean to say they are not mentioned in the personal analysis form which the Interpreter is holding?

A: The goods I received are in this list, but separate from the rest of the goods.

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, Mr. Interpreter, would you hand him the document and let him point out where the things are listed?

A: The goods I received are not being claimed for.

THE COMMISSIONER: There is his claim.

A: The witness can't identify them because he can't read English. Possibly Mr. Okuda could give the information.

MR. OKUDA: Yes.

MR. NEWYER: There are only about four items. Let us ask him, because it will save a lot of trouble. There are only about four items supposed to have been given to this woman. It would be quicker to ask him about them.

THE COMMISSIONER: Why not refer directly to the four items that the Custodian indicates have been sent to him and find out whether he received them?

THE INTERPRETER: That is the question I put in the first place.

THE COMMISSIONER: Let Mr. Okuda have it and see if he

can make him understand.

MR. QUINET: My lord, I am told I am wanted on the
phone. Could I be excused for a moment?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. HUNTER: Q: What does he say about it?

MR. OHNDA: (Interpreting the answer). What I reported
on the personal property claim form are all those
that had been notified by myself ---

10 Q There are only five items here. Surely he knows
whether he received them or not.

A Of those articles I received three duplicates.
In the case of a pair of gloves, I had two, of
which I only received one.

Q It says one here. He is only claiming for one.

20 A The following was handed to Mrs. Y. Miyamoto to be
sent to Mr. Miyamoto at his request. I had two
gold watches. One was a Montcalm and a Waltham
and the one I received was a Waltham watch, but not
the Montcalm, and in the case of underwear as
well as sweat shirts, there were two or three of
them at the time, of which I received one each
and whatever I received I haven't claimed for on
the personal property claim form.

Q I see. Who is this Mrs. Yone Miyamoto?

A Mrs. Yone Miyamoto is the wife of Mr. D. Miyamoto.

Q Who is he? A: A personal friend.

Q Is he a relative? A: Just a family
friend. No relation whatsoever.

THE COMMISSIONER: Does that conclude this claim?

30 MR. QUINET: It does, my lord.

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Q Do you wish to add anything to what you just
said? At No.

MR. GUINET: Thank you.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINCE)

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

J. P. Horrabin

"T.P. HORRABIN"
Official Reporter.

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