

WHEREAS, HOW GET,

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is about to depart ~~from~~
States, temporarily, up-
China, with the inten-
ing into the United
purpose of resuming
pation as a Merchant

WHEREAS, the said

entitled to so return into the United States for the said purpose,
pursuant to the Act of Congress approved May 5, 1892, as amended by
the Act of Congress approved November 3, 1893, and the Convention of
December 8, 1894, between the United States of America and the Em-
pire of China, which provide as follows, to-wit:-

" A merchant is a person engaged in buying and selling merchandise
"at a fixed place of business, which business is conducted in his
"name, and who, during the time he claims to be engaged as a merchant
"does not engage in the performance of any manual labor, except such
"as is necessary in the conduct of his business as such merchant.
" When an application is made by a chinaman for entrance into the
"United States on the ground that he was formerly engaged in this
"country as a merchant, he shall establish by the testimony of two
"credible witnesses other than chinese the fact that he conducted
"such business as hereinbefore defined for at least one year be-
"fore his departure from the United States, and that during such
"year he was not engaged in the performance of any manual labor, ex-
"cept such as was necessary in the conduct of his business as such
~~merchant, and in default of such proof shall be refused landing.~~
"merchant, and in default of such proof shall be refused landing."
(Act of Congress approved Nov. 3, 1893, amending the Act of May 5/92.)

" The provisions of this convention shall not affect the right at
"present enjoyed of chinese subjects, being officials, teachers, stu-
"dents, merchants, or travellers for curiosity or pleasure, but not
"laborers, of coming into the United States and remaining therein."
(Convention of Dec. 8/94, between the United States and China.)

NOW, THEREFORE, and for the better identification of the said HOW
GET, and in order to facilitate his re-entry into the United States
upon his said return hereto for the said purpose,

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Citizens of the United States and residents of
the City of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, Do Hereby Certify that

one year last past, during which said year he has been a reputable
resident merchant of the said City of Chicago, and neither a huck-
ster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaint-
ance with him, the said HOW GET has been a member of the firm of
chinese merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name
and style of "KONG YEE KEE CO.", Importers and Dealers in Teas, Pro-
visions, and general chinese and japanese merchandise, at No. 313
South Clark street, Chicago aforesaid.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaint-
ance with him, the said HOW GET has been so engaged in buying and
selling merchandise, at the said fixed place of business, under the
said trade-name and style of the said firm of which he is a member;
and that, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said
HOW GET has not been engaged in the performance of manual labor,
skilled or unskilled, of any kind, except such as has been necessary
in the conduct of his said business as such merchant as aforesaid.

AND WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That the said trade-name and style is
arbitrary and fanciful, and does not indicate the names of the mem-
bers of the said firm, or of any of them, and that such use of such
arbitrary and fanciful trade-names and styles is customary amongst
chinese and other merchants generally, in the said City of Chicago,
and elsewhere throughout the United States so far as we are aware.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, September 22, 1899.

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(DESCRIPTION OF HOW GET :-)

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(AGE:-Thirty-Six Years.)

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(HEIGHT:-5 Ft., 8 & 1/2 inches,

(in Sandals. No Marks.

Louis O Mahon
343 W Madison St
Chicago, Illinois.
Joseph H. Fenner
1289 Central Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois.

L. T. Plummer,

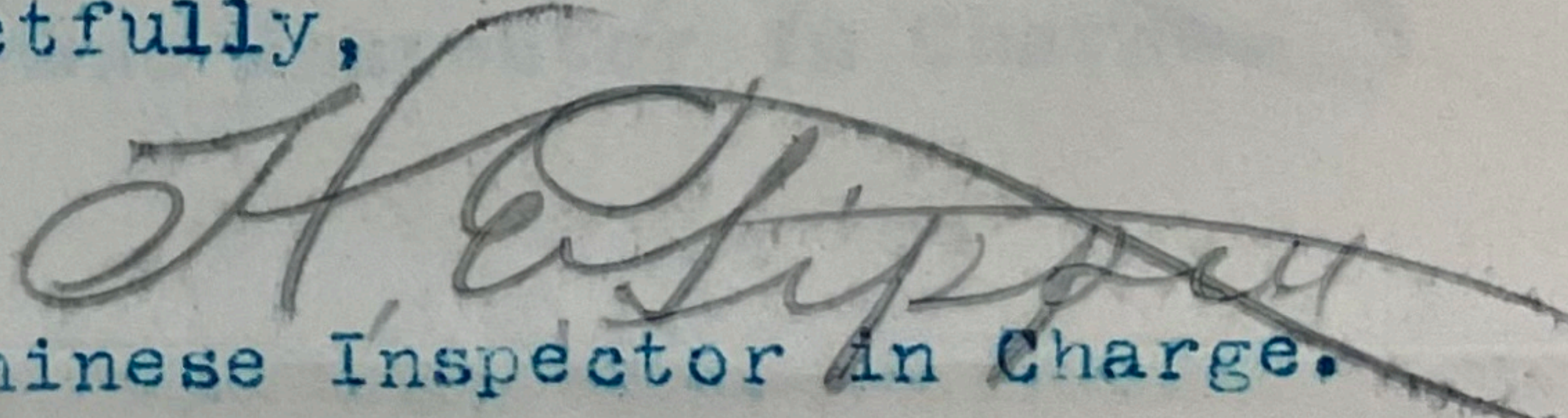
Chinese Inspector in Charge,

Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

I received your letter of the 12th instant inclosing papers in the case of How Get, merchant, now in China, for the purpose of taking the statement of George Ha Won, temporarily residing in Detroit, manager of the firm of Kwong Yee Kee & Company; and beg to say that we have not yet been able to locate him. Probably he has gone out of town for a few days, but we will hold the papers until he shows up, unless otherwise advised by you.

Respectfully,


Chinese Inspector in Charge.

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Chinese Inspector,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.