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Department of Commerce and Labor  
IMMIGRATION SERVICEOFFICE OF INSPECTOR IN CHARGE  
PORTAL, N. DAK.

November 24, 1906.

L. T. Plummer,  
Chinese Inspector in Charge,  
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

I beg leave to acknowledge receipt of papers in the case of Moy King, alleged merchant, together with your report of the investigation. As Moy King is unable to establish the grounds upon which he gained admission to the United States, and therefore cannot prove his right to be in the United States, I do not think his having attained the status of a merchant gives him the right to leave the country and return as a bona fide merchant; therefore I am not willing to endorse his papers.

Respectfully,

*Arnold H. Benson*  
Chinese Inspector in Charge.

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*Nov. 27* 1906OFFICE OF,  
CHINESE INSP. IN CHARGE.



MOY KING,  
of  
The "HIP LUNG" Co.,  
Merchants,  
323 CLARK st.,  
Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

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AGE:-Thirty-Eight (38) Years.

HEIGHT:-5 Feet, 5-1/2 Inches.

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The United States of America. )	
Northern District of Illinois. )	Sct:
Eastern Division. )	



WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Citizens of the United States, and residents of the City of Chicago and vicinity, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, Do Hereby Certify That we have been well acquainted with one MOY KING, above described, for upwards of one year last past, during which time he has been a reputable resident Chinese Merchant of the said City of Chicago, and neither a laundryman, huckster, peddler or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said MOY KING has been a member of the firm of chinese merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "HIP LUNG", at No. 323 Clark street, in the said City of Chicago; that the said firm was established in business in the same vicinity upwards of Twenty (20) years ago, and has to our personal knowledge been so engaged in business two years.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with the said MOY KING, he has been 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, he 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.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That the foregoing photograph, hereunto annexed, is a true and ~~xxx~~ correct photographic likeness, and the description above is a true and correct personal description of the said MOY KING.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY That we have been credibly informed, and verily believe that the said MOY KING has a financial interest of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) in the stock, business and other assets of the said firm



and from our frequent visits to the said place of business, and our general acquaintance with the various members of the said firm, we have become well satisfied that he, the said Moy King, is actively engaged in the business of said concern, exercises a voice in the management of the said "Hip Lung" and enjoys his proper share in the profits thereof as a bona fide member of the same.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., October 30th, A.D., 1906.

Leo Stein

(Address) 1440 Masonic Temple  
Chicago, Illinois.

Hudson L. Henson

(Address) 25 Market St  
Chicago, Illinois.

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State of Illinois.)  
County of Cook. ) ss.  
City of Chicago.)

Leo Stein

of the City of Chicago, in said County and State, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, where I follow the occupation of a Salesman

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed Certificate; and the statements therein made are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to, this )  
31<sup>st</sup> day of October, A.D., 1906, )  
before me.

Leo Stein

Mark A. Foote

Notary Public, Cook Co., Ill's.

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State of Illinois.)  
County of Cook. ) ss.  
City of Chicago.)

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of the City of Chicago, in said County and State, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of Chicago, in ~~said~~ the County of Cook and State of Illinois, where I follow the occupation of a Salesman & Buyer,

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed certificate; and the statements therein made are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to, this )  
31<sup>st</sup> day of October, A. D., 1906, )  
before me.

Hudson L. Henson

Mark A. Foote

Notary Public, Cook Co., Ill.



The United States of America  
Northern District of Illinois, Sct:  
Eastern Division.

I, Mark A. Foote, United States Commissioner for the Northern District of Illinois, do hereby certify that I am acquainted with Leo St. John and Hudson L. Jensen, the signers of the foregoing and annexed certificate and affidavits; that they are Japanese persons; that they are citizens of the United States and residents of the City of Chicago, in said division and district; that they are reputable persons, of good character, and that in my opinion their statements are entitled to full credence and belief.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at the said City of Chicago, in the Eastern Division of the Northern District of Illinois, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, A.D., nineteen hundred six (1906).

Mark A. Foote  
U. S. Commissioner, N. D. Ill's.





In re. MOY KING, of The "Hip Lung" Co., No. 323 Clark st., Chicago, Illinois.

APPLICATION  
FOR  
ENDORSEMENT  
of accompanying affidavits under Rule 25, Regulations of February 5, 1906.

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Chicago, Illinois,  
November 1, 1906.

To

Loranzo T. Plummer, Esq.,

Chinese Inspector in charge,

Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

My name is MOY KING. I am a native and subject of China. I have resided in the United States Eleven (11) years, and in Chicago Seven (7) years. I have not heretofore visited China since I first came to the United States.

I am Thirty Eight (38) years old.

For the Two years last past, I have been a member of the firm of The "Hip Lung" Company, Chinese Merchants at No. 323 Clark street, Chicago aforesaid. My share and interest in the business and assets of the said firm is worth, reasonably and at least, One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

I desire to re-visit China and to return, upon the completion of my visit, to resume my present residence and occupation as a Merchant in the said city of Chicago: Wherefore, I transmit herewith the affidavits of two credible witnesses other than chinese, and ~~may~~ pray that the same may be endorsed as provided in the Regulations above cited.

Very respectfully,

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C/o "Hip Lung"

No. 323 Clark st.,

Chicago, Illinois.



Department of Commerce and Labor  
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR IN CHARGE  
PORTLAND, OREG.

No. 1089.

November 17, 1906.

L.T. Plummer,  
Chinese Inspector in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

This office is in receipt of your letter of the 13th inst. relative to the case of Moy King, departing merchant.

In reply I have to state that our records do not show the landing of any Moy King, Moy You King, Moy Hing or Moy Dung Hing, nor any Moy claiming membership in a firm by the name of Goon Wah. A search of the landed records for the entire year K.S. 21 fails to show the landing of any such person as claimed. Moreover I find nothing to substantiate the alleged existence of a firm of Goon Wah at 320 Second st. consisting of two partners. Our records show that there did once exist in this city a firm recorded as Guen Wah Company located at 247 Alder st. and composed of ten partners, mostly Leongs and Lees (no Moys). No. 320 Second st. is located fully six blocks from the present Chinese business quarter of the city and the premises are occupied by the Hotel Clay, which to all appearances has stood there many years.

I return the copy of Moy King's application paper which you forwarded for the purpose of comparing the photograph there<sup>on</sup> with the

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records of this office.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Inspector in Charge.

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OFFICE OF,  
CHINESE INSP. IN CHARGE.



CHICAGO

November 13, 1906.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
MOY KING, : Wong Aloy, Interpreter.  
Lab. Dep. : D. Arthur Plumly, Stenographer.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name?  
A Moy King.  
Q Where were you born?  
A China.  
Q When did you first come to the United States?  
A I have been in this country eleven years.  
Q What kind of papers did you come in on?  
A My father was a member of the firm of Goon Wah on Second St. in Portland, Oregon. I came with him.  
Q What was your father's name?  
A Moy Hing (or Hane).  
Q When did you land in Portland, Oregon?  
A I don't know what year it was. I only remember I have been in this country eleven years, and I have been in Chicago 7 years.  
Q Where were you before you came to \* Chicago?  
A Portland.  
Q Were \* you there about four years?  
A Yes; 7 from 11 would be 4 years.  
Q What were you doing there?  
A I was in the grocery store.  
Q Can't you give me the year and month that you landed in Portland, Oregon?  
A I can't give you the date; I don't remember just when.  
Q How old are you now?  
A 38 years.  
Q Where did you land?  
A I landed in Portland.  
Q What kind of papers did you have?  
A I do not remember.  
Q Did you get your papers in China?  
A I don't remember that. My father took care of that part of it. He took care of the whole business.  
Q What have you been doing since you came to Chicago?  
A I came to Chicago in K.S. 29th year. I went to Hip Lung.  
Q I thought you said you came to Chicago 7 years ago?  
A Some time I was in Chinatown, sometimes I worked in a laundry. I became a member of the firm of Hip Lung & Co. about three years ago, and I have been there all the time about two years.  
Q Have you any papers showing your right to be in the United States?  
A No.  
Q What did they do with the papers on which you were landed in Portland?  
A I don't know; my father held that.  
Q When did your father die?  
A My father died K.S. 25th year and then I came here.  
Q Did he die in Portland or in China?  
A Portland.  
Q What kind of work have you been doing since you were \* a member of Hip Lung?  
A I sold goods and delivered goods, and did general work in the store.



- Q What laundries have you ever worked in since you have been in Chicago?
- A I never owned a laundry myself; I worked for somebody else.
- Q Where?
- A I only worked one or two weeks in most of the laundries I was in, so I can't remember the streets and numbers.
- Q Who are the partners of your firm whose entire time is devoted to its business?
- A Moy Tong Hoy, Moy Tong Jau, Moy Tong Yee, Moy Choon, Moy Lee, Moy Ham, Moy Toy, Moy Hen, Moy Gone, and Moy King (myself).
- Q Who were the partners of your father in that store in Portland?
- A Moy Ying was the only partner he had.
- Q On what street and at what number was the store located?
- A No. 320 Second Street.
- Q What was your father's full Chinese name?
- A Moy Dung Hing.
- Q What is your full Chinese name?
- A Moy You King.
- Q Are you married?
- A No.
- Q How old were you when you came to Portland, Oregon, with your father?
- A I think I was 27 years old.
- Q What became of the firm of Goon Wah after you left Portland?
- A After my father's death the store was closed up before I came here.
- Q How much of an interest did you have in the firm before you came here?
- A \$2,000.00.
- Q Was it this \$2,000.00 interest that you invested in the firm of Hip Lung?
- A I only put \$1,000.00 into Hip Lung.
- Q If I write to our Inspector in Portland, Oregon, do you think I ~~you~~ will be able to verify your statements?
- A I do not know that.
- Q Where do you sell goods for Hip Lung & Co., in the store or out among the laundries?
- A I do not sell goods outside. I only sell goods in the store. I deliver goods outside.
- Q Have you done any manual labor during the past year, either in laundries or restaurants, or anywhere except in the store of Hip Lung?
- A I haven't done any work except in the store.
- Q What do you intend to do when you return from China?
- A When I come back from China I will go right back to Hip Lung.
- Q Are you going to China on business of the firm?
- A I am going home to see my folks.
- Q Can't you give me the year and month that you landed in Portland, Oregon?
- A I can not remember that, it was so long ago.
- Q It was only eleven years ago and you were 27 years of age. Why can't you remember that?
- A All I can remember is that it was in the summer time. It must be the 5th month Chinese.
- Q Yes, but what year was it?
- A K.S. 21st year, I think; I wouldn't be sure.



- Q Well, now, think and see if you can't tell me positively the month and year that you arrived in Portland, so that I can verify that fact?
- A I can not give you any better answer than I did before, that ~~zzz~~ is, K.S. 21st year and the 5th month.
- Q Are you sure of that; that it was K.S. 21st, 5th?
- A Yes.
- Q You are sure of that, are you?
- A (In English) Yes, sure.
- Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy?
- A Yes, sir.

Applicant signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY KING, Applicant.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.



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Witness, MOY TONG HOY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified (partly in English):

- Q What is your name?  
A Moy Tong Hoy.  
Q You are the manager of the firm of Hip Lung & Co., are you?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q How long have you been manager of that firm?  
A About 24 years.  
Q Has there been any change in the membership of that firm since the partnership list you ~~xx~~ gave me September 15, 1905?  
A No, no change.  
Q What would you say as to the value of your ~~h~~ firm's business at the present time as compared with the time that you ~~xxx~~ gave me that list?  
A Business is a good deal better and we have more stock on hand.  
Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?  
A Yes, sir; it is Moy King.  
Q How long has he been a member of your firm?  
A He has been a member of the firm three years, but he has been in the store all the time for two years. He bought his interest of Moy Gow.  
Q The partnership list which I referred to states that he bought out Moy Gow in 1905. When did he buy out Moy Gow?  
A It will be three years next Chinese New Year's.  
Q Well, now, Moy Gow was refused admission at Portal in June 1904, which was two years ago last June. When did he sell out to Moy King?  
A It was at the time that Moy Gow was refused admission to the United States (June 1904).  
Q Then he has been a member of the firm only two years?  
A About two years and a half.  
Q Who are the members of the firm whose entire time is devoted to its business?  
A Moy Tong Hoy (witness), Moy Tong Jeu, Moy Tong Yee, Moy Lee, Moy Toy, Moy Ham, Moy Choon, Moy Hen, Moy Gone, and Moy King (applicant).  
Q Who will take Moy King's place in the store?  
A I don't know now.  
Q What is Moy King going to China for, on business of the firm or on his own personal business?  
A He is going home on his own personal business, but we may write him later on the business of the firm. He is going home on account of the great typhoon in Hong Kong.  
Q When he returns to the United States will he come back into the store and engage in its business?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q What interest has Moy King in the firm?  
A \$1,000.00.  
Q What work does he do in the store?  
A General salesman and delivers goods.  
Q Has he actually been engaged in the store for more than a year?  
A Almost two years.  
Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy?  
A Yes.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY TONG HOY, Witness.  
(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.  
(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.