

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

No. 159

IMMIGRATION FILE

SUBJECT:

14-204

WHEREAS, HEONG DOCK
 her son attached,
 from the United
 upon a visit to
 intention of return-
 States, for the pur-
 occupation as a

WHEREAS, the said
 fully entitled to
 United States for
 pursuant to the Act of Congress approved Nov. 3, 1893, and the Con-
 cession of Dec. 7, 1894, between the United States and the Empire 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 before his departure from the United States, and that, during such year, he was not engaged in the performance of any manual labor, except such as was necessary in the conduct of his business as such merchant, and in default of such proof shall be refused landing." (Act of November 3, 1893, amending the Act of May 5, 1892.)

" The provisions of this convention shall not effect the right at present enjoyed of Chinese subjects, being officials, teachers, students, merchants, or travellers for curiosity or pleasure, but not laborers, of coming into the United States and remaining therein." (Convention of Dec. 7, 1894, between the United States and China.)

WHEREFORE

NOW, THEREFORE, and for the better identification of the said HEONG DOCK and in order to facilitate his re-entry into the United States



whose photograph is
 is about to depart
 States, temporarily,
 China, with the in-
 ing into the United
 pose of resuming his
 Merchant therein; and

HEONG DOCK is law-
 so return into the

the said purpose,

he has been a reputable resident merchant of the said
ago, and not a huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, that, during the said time of our acquaint-
ance with him, the said HEONG DOCK has been a member of the firm of
chinese persons trading and doing business under the trade-name
and style of "SUEY WO CHONG & CO.", Importers and Dealers in Teas,
Silks, Groceries and Provisions, at No. 329 South Clark Street, in the
said City of Chicago.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said time of our acquaint-
ance with him, the said HEONG DOCK 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 time of our acquaintance with him
the said HEONG DOCK has not been engaged in the performance of any
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 above defined and 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 thereof, or of any of them; and that such use of such trade-name
and style is customary amongst chinese merchants generally in the
said City of Chicago, and elsewhere throughout the United States
so far as we aware.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, October 26th, 1899.

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DESCRIPTION OF HEONG DOCK.

AGE:-THIRTY ONE TWO YEARS.

HEIGHT:- 5 Feet 1 INCH.

MOLE OVER RIGHT EYE PUPIL,

AND UNDER NOSE, SCAR OVER RIGHT
TEMPLE.

Charles O'Nan

W.W. Dearborn
Chicago Illinois.

John P. Tucker

R.S. Adams
Chicago Illinois.

11/3.1899

Kong Dock, a Chinese person, said to be a member of the Shui Wo Ching Te, 329 Clark St, personally appeared before me today and made the following statement:

How long have you been in the U.S. since 1881

How long have you lived in Chicago? About 7 yrs.

"you were a member of the 'Society
Chorus Co.' about 3 yrs.

I have spruech money thru your insurance in that
concern: \$500.00

Through you have me argued as a lame day was running
the last year! No answer now

What port of the business do you attend to in
this firm? salesman in the store

How long have you known Mr. Wright? 3 years.
"Southover Regt."

Honest Dork, talks fair English and wears
American clothes, my official express walter
comes from of certification

H. Bessahin
Chinese Emperor