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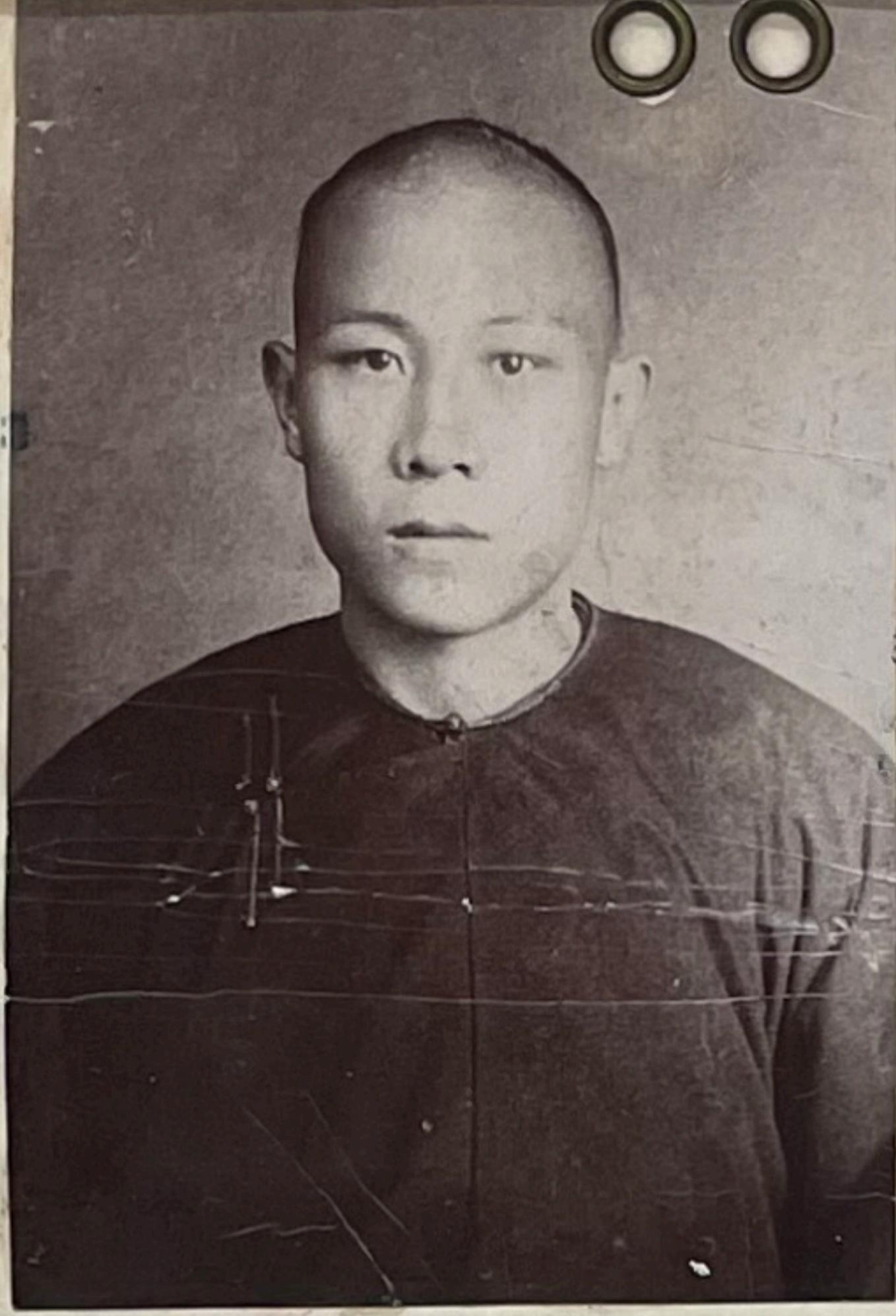
No. 219

SUBJECT:

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WHEREAS, CHIN
hereunto attach-
the United States
to China, with
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therein; and

WHEREAS, the
entitled to so



WOOD, whose photograph is
ed, is about to depart from
temporarily, upon a visit
the intention of returning
States for the purpose of
cupation as a Merchant

said CHIN WOOD is lawfully
return into the United

States for the said purpose, pursuant to the Act of Congress ap-
proved May 5, 1892, as amended by the Act of Congress approved No-
vember 3, 1893, and the ~~XXXXXX~~ Convention of December 7, 1894, between
the United States of America and the Empire of China, which provide
as follows, namely:-

" 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 mer-
"chant.

" 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
Congress approved November 3, 1893, amending the Act of May 5, 1892.)

" 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 December 7, 1894, between the United States & China.)

NOW, THEREFORE, and for the better identification of the said CHIN
WOOD, and in order to facilitate his reentry 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 County of Cook and State of Illinois, Do
Hereby Certify that we have been well acquainted with the said CHIN

WOOD for upwards of one year last past, during which said year he
has been a reputable resident merchant of the said city of Chicago
and neither a huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaint-
ance with him, the said CHIN WOOD has been a member of the firm of
"Quong Yuen & Co.", Importers and Dealers in Teas, Fancy-Goods, Pro-
visions and general Chinese and Japanese merchandise, at No. 321
South Clark street, in the said City of Chicago.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said CHIN WOOD 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, 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.

AND WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That the said trade-name and style is arbitrary and fanciful, and does not indicate the names of the members of the said firm, or of any of them; and that such use of such 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, January 25th, 1899.

(DESCRIPTION OF CHIN WOOD:-) William C. Taylor
(AGE:-Thirty Years.) 230 Adams St
(HEIGHT:-5 Ft., 7 In.) Chicago, Illinois.
(Faint Pock-Marks.) George V. Albright

Chicago, Illinois.

Northern District of Illinois, Sct:

I, Oliver E. Pagin, Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, Do hereby Certify that I am acquainted with

, the signers of the foregoing and annexed certificate and affidavits; that they are citizens of the United States, and residents of the City of Chicago, in said Northern District of Illinois; that they are not Chinese persons; that they are reputable persons, of good character; and that in my opinion their statements are entitled to full credence and belief.

Witness my hand and seal, at the said City of

Northern District of Illinois,
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DEPARTED FROM SAN FRANCISCO,
PER STEAMER,
CHINA.

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INSPECTOR

Asst. U.S. Att'y, N.D. Ill's.

Col. Maud 321
Ziong Yuen Co
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Mr Taylor,
Has known Chin Reed
about a year before
he departed.

He has been in here and
bought goods
I met him in his office once
or twice
He bought goods for the
firm of Albright & Company
and was designated
here as a member of
the co.

albright will be back
in 3 weeks.