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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

No. 456

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Department of Commerce and Labor
IMMIGRATION SERVICEOFFICE OF CHINESE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE
PORT TOWNSEND, WASH.

No. 2,593.

April 24, 1907.

L. T. Plummer,

Chinese Inspector in Charge,

Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 20, 1907, returning papers, together with your favorable report, in the case of MOY JONE, alleged Chinese merchant of your city.

Respectfully,

GHM

Henry A. Mours

Acting Chinese Inspector in Charge.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
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PORT TOWNSEND, WASH.

No. 1616.

March 18, 1905.

Mr. L. T. Plumer,
Chinese Inspector in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

I enclose you herewith affidavits as to the mercantile status of MOY JONE an alleged Chinese merchant and member of the Firm of QUONG YUEN CO., No. 329-B, South Clark St., Chicago.

MOY JONE has filed his paper with me in duplicate and requests a preliminary examination in accordance with the provisions of rule 33 of the Chinese regulations, prior to his departure for China. Please make the usual investigation and report at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,



Chinese Inspector in Charge.

(Enclosures.)
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Hong Kong China

March 10 1907

L. T. Plummer Esq.

Dear Sir:

I will write these
few words to inform
you I am expecting
to go back to the U. S. A.
sometime in June or last
part of June I hope you
will look after me for
I coming without any
trouble. I shall be very
much obliged.

Respectfull yours
Moy Jones

CHICAGO

April 20, 1907.

Case of

MOY JONE,

Merchant.

(Ad interim investigation.)

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: L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.
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Witness, MOY FOOT, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified
(in English):

Q What is your name? A Moy Foot.

Q What is your business? A Merchant, one of the managers
of Quong Wing Yuen Co., 329-B South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?

A Yes, it is Moy Jone.

Q How much of an interest has he in your firm? A \$2,000.00.

Q Has he the same interest as at the time of his departure?

A Yes.

Q Is your store worth the same money as at the time of
Moy Jone's departure? A Yes.

Q What will Moy Jone do upon his return?

A He will come back into the store.

Q Does your firm do more or less business now than when
Moy Jone departed? A It does more now.

Q Is there any laundry, restaurant, or boarding house con-
nected with your store? A No.

Q Is there anything more you care to say? A No.

Witness signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) MOY FOOT, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

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IN RE MOY JONE, MERCHANT DEPARTING.

Chicago, Illinois, March 27, 1905.

L. T. Plummer, Inspector,
Wong Aloy, Interpreter.

WITNESS SWORN:

- Q. What is your name?
A. Moy Jone.
Q. What is your business Moy Jone?
A. Chinese Merchant.
Q. What firm are you a member of?
A. Quong Wing Yuen Co., #329-1/2 S. Clarke St.
Q. How long have you been a member of that firm?
A. Ever since the firm was opened, about three years now.
Q. What did you do before that?
A. I was a merchant.
Q. Where?
A. I was with Moy Foot at Sing Lung Co.
Q. What do you do in the store of Quong Wing Yuen Co.?
A. Treasurer.
Q. How much money have you got in it?
A. \$2000.00.
Q. Have you been Treasurer ever since the firm started?
A. Yes.
Q. How much salary do you get?
A. \$35.00 a month.
Q. Gold or Silver?
A. Gold.
Q. Is that in addition to the interest which you get on the profits made by the store?
A. Everybody in our store draws \$35.00 a month salary besides what they make in the store.
Q. How many partners have you in that store?
A. 26 members, and \$30,000.00 capital.
Q. How many members are in the firm engaged in its business all the time?
A. When we opened up we had four in the store. One year after that we had six.
Q. How many are there now?
A. Six.
Q. Name them?
A. Moy Foot, Willie Moy, Moy Check, myself, Moy John, Moy Dong.
Q. Who ~~was the~~ is the manager?
A. Moy Foot.
Q. Are you registered?
A. No, I did not.
Q. Why didn't you?
A. I was merchant at the time of registration.
Q. What firm?
A. At that time I was in Washington looking for business.
Q. Washington, D.C.?
A. Yes.
Q. Haven't you been back to China since registration?
A. Yes.
Q. When?
A. K.S. 26 I went to China.
Q. How did you go?
A. I went back to China as a member of the firm of Sing Lung Co. of this city.
Q. What name? Moy
A. My real name is Lem Jone. I went out under the name of ~~Kam~~ ~~Jame~~ Moy Lem.
Q. How did you go?
A. ~~Railroad~~. I went by way of Vancouver.

- Q. How did you get to Vancouver?
- A. I went from here to Canada by way of Victoria. From there I took the boat.
- Q. Didn't you go out of the United States at Port Townsend?
- A. Seattle, Washington.
- Q. Is that the same way you are going this time?
- A. Yes.
- Q. In a list of the firm members of your firm which was furnished this office Sept. 30, 1904, Moy Foot is down as ~~President~~ Treasurer, Willie Moy is Manager, and you are down as Bookkeeper. How do you explain that?
- A. Moy Foot is general manager, and I am bookkeeper, and also handle all money.
- Q. At that time Willie Moy was Manager, was he not?
- A. He made a mistake. Willie Moy is interpreter for our firm.
- Q. You were present at the time Willie Moy gave this list to Inspector Thompson, were you not?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Didn't you understand what he told the Inspector?
- A. I was talking in Chinese. You, Wong Aloy, were acting as Interpreter.
- Q. As a matter of fact, is not Willie Moy the manager of the firm?
- A. Moy Foot was manager in the store, and Willie Moy speaks English in dealing with the white people, and the white people regard him as manager.
- Q. Are you married?
- A. I am going to China to get married now.
- Q. What year did you get back to the United States from that trip to China which you made about 1900?
- A. I think K.S. 28.

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" In the enforcement of the provisions of Section Two of the Act of November 3, 1903, relating to the application for admission of aliened returning Chinese merchants, it will not be enough to have witnessed testimony that an applicant for at least one year before his departure from the United States was not engaged in the performance of any manual labor except such as was necessary in the conduct of his business as such merchant, but the testimony should show specifically the kind of work the Chinaman has done during the entire year, and, after detailing the character of such work, should say that he has not performed any other labor than that specifically set forth." (United States Treasury Decision No. 21,093.)

- 1 What is your name? *Henry W. Ackhoff*
- 2 What is your business? *Custom House Broker*
- 3 What is your business address? *317/319 Dearborn St*
- 4 Who is the person represented by the photo. shown you? *Wong John*
- 5 What is his occupation? *Chinese Merchant*
- 6 Of what firm is he a member? *Quong Weng Yem & Co*
- 7 Has the store any connection with a laundry, restaurant, lodging-house, barber shop, or pawn shop? *not to my knowledge*
- 8 Where is the store located? *329 So Clark*
- 9 What kind of business do they conduct? *General Merchants*
- 10 Does the firm engage in manufacturing of any description? *not to my knowledge*
- 11 When did the applicant depart?
- 12 Having read Treasury Decision No. 21,093 (cited above) which governs our procedure, are you able to state specifically the kind of work he performed during the entire year prior to said date? *not to my knowledge*
- 13 If so, what?
- 14 Do you know whether or not during the period referred to the applicant worked as a laundryman, peddler, servant, farmer, ranch hand, fisherman, miner, or at any other labor? *not to my knowledge*
- 15 Can you state that you know he performed no other labor during that period than that stated in Question 13? *not to my knowledge*
- 16 Upon what do you base your knowledge of the above? *acquainted with him*
- 17 How frequently did you visit the store of applicant during the year prior to his departure for China?
- 18 During the said period did you always find the applicant engaged in said store?
- 19 Can you name any other partners in this firm? *Willie May*
- 20 If not, why not?

(Signature of witness) *Henry W. Ackhoff*Subscribed and sworn to before me this *29* day of *Nov* 190*3*

Chinese Inspector.