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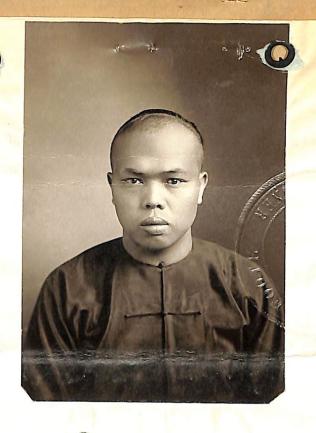
"SAM LUNG",

299 Clark St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

"MERCHANT

AGE: -24 Years.

HEIGHTM-5 Ft.,3 In.



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

United States and residents of the City of Chicago, inthe County of Cook and State of Illinois, Do Hereby Certify that we have been well acquainted with the above-described HONG JARK 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 huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY that during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said HONG JARK has been a member of the firm of Chinese Merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "SAM LUNG & CO.", Importers and Dealers in Teas, Groceries, Provisions, and general chinese and japanese merchandise, at No.299 Clark street, Chicago aforesaid.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That during the said year of our acquaintance with him the said HONG JARK 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, the said HONG JARK 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 business as such merchant as aforesaid.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the foregoing photograph, hereunto annexed, to-gether with the personal description above, is a true and correct likeness and description of the said HONG JARK.

We have been credibly informed that the said HONG JARK has a financial interest of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00) in said firm, and from our frequent visits to the said place of business and general acquaintance with the various members of said concern, we have become well satisfied that he

is actively engaged in the business of the firm and exercises a voice in the management of the business and affairs of said "SAM LUNG & CO. "and enjoys his proper share in the profits thereof, as a bona fide partner of said firm.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., March 28, 1906.
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(Address) 159 La Sall, Iv Chicago, Illinois.
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3-13 State St. Chicago, Illinois.
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The United States of America.) Northern District of Illinois Sct: Eastern Division.  Of Chicago, in said division and district, being first duly sworn according to large decordance of the correction of the correction of the correction to large decordance of the correction of the co
ing 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 chamacal and a constant 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  30th day of March, A.D., 1906, be- fore me.
Hark a. Foote, U.S. Commissioner, N. D. Ill's.
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The United States of America.  Northern District of Illinois.) Sct:  Eastern Division.  Of Chicago, in said division and district, being first duly sworn accord-
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The United States of America.)

Northern District of Illinois.

Eastern Division.

I, Mark A. Foote, United States Commissioner for the Northern District of Illinois, Do Hereby Certify that I am acquainted with Harry C. Mana and Mudson L. Henson,

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

Witness my hand and seal, at the said City of Chicago, in the Eastern Division of the Northern District of Illinois, this 30th day of March, A.D., nineteen hundred and six (1906).

U.S. Commissioner, N. D. III's.

Application for Endorsement

of accompanying affidavits under Rule 25, Regulations approved Feb. 5, 1906.

To

Lorenzo T. Plummer, Esq., Chinese Inspector in charge,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir"

My name is HONG JARK, and I was born in Evanston, Wyoming, in the United States of America. When about five or six years of age, when I went to China, where I resided until I was about sixteen years of age, when I returned to the United States, and again lived in a store, in Evanston, Wyoming, until three or four years ago, when I came to Chicago and secured a partnership interest in the business of the "Sam Lung Co", Chinese Merchants, of No.299 Clark street, Chicago aforesaid.

I have never in my life been employed in the performance of manual labor of any kind.

I am now, and for upwards of three years last past have been a member of said firm of "Sam Lung & Co.", and my interest and share therein are worth, reasonably and at least, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00).

I desire to visit China, with the intention of returning within a reasonable time to resume my present residence and business here: Wherefore, I
transmit herewith the affidavits of two credible witnesses other than chinese, and pray that the same may be endorsed as provided in the regulations above cited.

Very respectfully,

Hong JARK

Of Sam Lung & Co., No.299 Clark st., Chicago, Ill. Form No. 168.

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Department of Commerce and Labor IMMIGRATION SERVICE

> OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

> > April 11, 1906.

Chinese Inspector in Charge,

#855 Federal Building.

Chicago, Ill.,

Sir:-

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 6th instant, enclosing papers and favorable report in the case of Hong Jark, a departing Chinese merchant of the firm of Sam Lung & Co., 299 Clark Street, Chicago, Ill. In accordance with your recommendation, this application has been approved, and Hong Jark may depart from and return to the United States at any time he desires, provided of course his status remains the same as at present.

Respectfully,

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Case of HONG JARK, Mer. Dep.

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

: D. Arthur Plumly, Stenographer.

Witness, HONG SLING, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified in English:

What is your name? Hong Sling. What is your business?

Manager of the firm of Sam Lung & Co.

How long have you been manager?

8 or 9 years. Do you know this man here (showing photograph of applicant)?

Yes, sir; that is Hong Jark. How long have you known him?

Ever since he was born. Where was he born?

In Evanston, Wyoming.

0 When?

From 23 to 25 years ago. What was his father's name?

Hong Sang.

What was his mother's name?

I forget; I think she was of the Lee family. A

Were you ever in business in Evanston, Wyoming? Yes, sir; a long time. I got a house and everything there. A

Was this Hong Jark's father x any relation to you?

QA Oh, yes; cousin. Just a Hong cousin?

The whole family used to live No; first or second cousin. together in China and also in Evanston.

Did Hong Jark ever go back to China?

He went back with his father and mother when he was a little boy.

When did he return again to the United States?

8 or 9 years ago. How did he return; through what port?

He came back through San Francisco. Do you know on what kind of papers he returned on?

A (Witness produced section VI certificate issued to Hong Jark, age 15, height 4 ft. 10-1/2 in., former occupation student in Sun Ning district, present occupation student residing at Man Fong Low; vissed by R. Wildman, U.S. Consul, Hong Kong, March 16, 1898; landed May 7, 1898, ex s/s "Gaelio" April 30, 1898, at San Francisco, Calironia.)

where is his father now?

His father went to China a few years ago.

How long has Hong Jark been a member of your firm?

Since 1902, I think.

Has he any other name besides Hong Jark?

That is all I call him. How much of an interest has he in your firm? \$800.00.

How long has he had that interest of \$800.00? Ever since he came into the store. Q

How long has he been in that firm, all of his time devoted to Q its business?

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Ever since he became a member. A

What are his duties about the store? Q

He does everything. A

Has he done any manual labor in laundries or restaurants since he Q came into your firm in 1902?

A

How much salary does he get? Q

He receives no salary but shares in the profits. A

Do you know how old he was when he went back to China? Q,

I think he was about 3 or 4 years of age.

Do you know what year he returned to the United States with his father?

I think 1898. A

The same year as you returned? Q

A

Q

Yes, sir.
Did he come on the same boat with you?
Yes; I think on the same boat as I did, but I am not sure of it.
Do you know what kind of papers he was admitted on?
I don't know; I forget. A

Q

A

When did he first come to Chicago? Q

In 1902. A

What was he doing before he came to Chicago? Q, He was in Evanston, Wyoming, with his father. Where is his father now? A

Q.

He went back to China a few years ago. A

Do you know of any reason why Hong Jark should not be entitled to 9 the privileges of a merchant?

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Q What will Hong Jark do when he returns to the United States? He will come back to the store.

Witness signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) H. SLING, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified in Chinese:

What is your name? Hong Jark. What is your business? Merchant. Of what firm are you a member? Sam Lung Co. How long have you been a member of Sam Lung Co.? About 4 years. How much money have you f got invested there? \$800.00. What is the character of your employment there? I do any kind of work in the store. How long have you been in the United States? 8 or 9 years. Where were you born? Evanston, Wyoming. What isyour father's name? Hong Sang. What do you mean by saying that you have been in this country 9 only 8 or 9 years? I mean to say that I returned to the United States again 8 or 9 years ago. When did you go back to China; how old were you? 4 or 5 years old. Who went back with you? My father. Did your mother go? How did you go; what port did you go home from? I don't know; I was little; I don't remember. How old were you when you returned to the United States? I was 16 years old when I returned to the United States. A How old are you now? I am 24 years old now, going on 25. What was the year that you returned to the United States? I think it was K.S. 24th year. What was the name of the ship? I came with my father but I don't remember the name of that boat. Where did you land; at what port? San Francisco. What year was it that you landed in San Francisco? I am quite sure it was K.S. 24th year. What kind of paper did you have when you came into the United States? (Witness produced section VI certificate issued to Hong Jark, age 16, height 4 ft. 10-1/2 in., former occupation student in Sun Ning district, present

Q What time of the year--what month was it that you landed at San Francisco?
A Chinese date, either 3d or 5th month.

landed May 7, 1898, ex s/s "Gaelic" April 30, 1898,

viseed by R. Wildman, U.S. Consul, Hong Kong, March 16, 1898;

occupation student residing at Man Fong Low;

at San Francisco, California.)

HONG JARK.

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Do you know Hong Sling? Yes, sir; I know him. A Is he any relation of yours? He is my second cousin. Did you come from China to San Francisco on the same boat as he did? Yes, sir; I think I came on the same boat. A Are you sure of that? Yes, sir; I am sure. Q And you came with your father? Q my father came with us. A What have you been doing since you came to the United States?
When I came back to this country with my father Hong Fat and my
father were running a Japanese store in Evanston, Wyoming. father were running a Japanese store in Evanston, What did you do? I worked in the store and helped to sell goods. Q How long did you work in the store and help to sell goods?
I staid there four years and then I came direct to Chicago.
How did you happen to come to Chicago?
After my father went to Chicago I came to Chicago.
Did your father and Hong Fat close up that store before you came Q A to Chicago? I was in Chicago not very long before the store closed up. Did you do anything in Evanston, Wyoming, after you came there besides working in the store?

No, sir.

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Did you go to school?
Sometimes I went to Sundayschool.
Did you ever go to day school?
Yes, I went to day school about a year or two. A

Q

When did you go to school; when you first came to Evanston or Q after you had been there a while?
I went to school just after I arrived in Evanston.
Why didn't you continue to go to school?

A

After a year or so when I engaged my time in the store I went to school off and on but not all the time.

But why didn't you continue to go to school?

After my father went to Chicago he left me and his partner to run the store and I couldn't spare the time, as I had to attend to the store when his partner was away from the store. How long had you been in Evanston before your father went back to Q

China? A year and a half or two years after I arrived in Evanston my

father went back to China because him of his poor health. Have you any other name besides Hong Jark?

Hong Jark is the only name I know. What was your father's name?

Q

Hong Sang. A

A

Did he have any other name?

Q That is the only name I know of.

Is that the name he had on his paper when he returned to the United States?

I don't know what name my father had on his paper but I only knew him by the name of Hong Sang.

Did your father remain in China all the time from the time he returned with you when you were 3 or 4 years of age until you returned 8 or 9 years ago?

My father went to China with me when I was 4 or 5 years old and he returned to the United States and came back to China and on his second return to the United States he brought me with him.

How long was your father in China after his second return from given the United States before he brought you back with him to the United States?

2 or 3 years.

Are you sure of that?

Yes, sir; I am sure of it. What was the name of the firm in Evanston?

Gim Lung.

What street was it on?

It was a small town and the streets had no names.

How many partners were there?

A 3 or 4 partners. Who were they?

My father, and Hong Fat's father, and Hong Fook are the three partners I know of.

0 How long have you known Hong Yick?

I knew him in China and have known him here 8 or 9 years.

Did you come from China on the same boat with him?

Yes, sir. Are you sure of that? Q

Yes, sir.

What was the name of your teacher in Evanston, Wyoming? Q

There was a lady teacher but I don't remember her name. lady taught me for several months and then she went away and another lady took her place.

What was her name? Q.

I don't remember her name.

What salary do you get in Sam Lung's?

No salary.

How much money do you receive in dividends?

Sometimes more and sometimes less. Hong Sling, the manager,

How much was the last dividend that you received? 0 Some years we get \$400 and some years we get \$500.

What dividend did you receive last New Year's?

We have not received any dividend yet for the last year.

What was the amount of the last dividend that you received?

A little over \$500.

Who are the partners in the firm of Sam Lung & Co. who are engaged in its business all the time?

Hong Fat, Jin Ham, Soo Hoo See, Hong Kee (Gee), myself, Hong Woo, Hong Yick, Moy Gop, Hong Sling; and Jin Yit Quong is in the store part of the time and out part of the time.

Have you done any work as a laundryman or in a restaurant since you have been in Chicago?

I have never done any work in Chicago except what I have done in the store of Sam Lung, but I didn't take any active part in its business until some time after my arrival.

How long were you in Chicago before you took an active part in A A few months. the business of that firm?

Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy? Applicant signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) HONG JARK. Applicant. L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector. (Signed) (Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.