

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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STATEMENT OF REGISTERED CHINESE LABORER, ABOUT TO DEPART FROM THE UNITED STATES WITH THE INTENTION OF RETURNING THERETO.

Made in compliance with the treaty between the United States and China, concluded and signed March 17th, 1894, ratified December 7, 1894, and proclaimed by the President of the United States December 8, 1894, and the act of Congress entitled "an act to prohibit the coming into and to regulate "the residence within the United States, its Territories and all territory "under its jurisdiction, and the District of Columbia, of Chinese persons "and persons of Chinese descent," approved April 29, 1902, and the Rules and Regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury in conformity therewith.

I HEREBY DECLARE That I am a Chinese Laborer, duly registered as such, under the act of Congress approved November 3, 1893. My Certificate of Residence is attached to this statement. It was issued to me by the Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of Illinois, at Chicago in said District, on April 19, 1894; and is numbered "6812"



MY DESCRIPTION IS AS FOLLOWS:

NAME:-HENRY MOY.

AGE:-Forty-two (42) Years.

HEIGHT:- 5ft. 4-3/4 inches. (In American Shoes.)

RESIDENCE:-No. 323 Clark street, Chicago, Illinois.

OCCUPATION:- Laundryman. EYES:- Dark Brown.

COMPLEXION:- Light. No Marks.

I CLAIM TO POSSESS THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW:

PROPERTY:-An undivided interest in the Laundry located at No. 560 West Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois, worth at least \$1000.00.

I HEREBY AGREE that none of such property shall be diverted, transferred during my absence; and that the above described property shall remain as it now exists until my return to the United States.

I intend to depart from the United States at the Sub-port of Portal, North Dakota, one month from the date hereof, or as soon hereafter as I may, and to return to the United States at the same sub-port of Portal, North Dakota, within twelve months thereafter.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request a Certificate of my right to return to the United States.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois,

March 13 A.D. 1906.Henry Moy

Subscribed and sworn to, by the above described HENRY MOY, at the city of Chicago, in the county of Cook and state of Illinois, this 13 day of March A.D. nineteen hundred and six (1906) before me.

L. P. PlummerChinese & Indian Immigration Inspector

Department of Commerce and Labor

See letter dated Sept. 21, 07. Portal.

in Moy Yick's file No. 473.

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No. 2634.

April 7th, 1909.

In regard to payment alleged to have been demanded :L.T.Plummer, Examining Inspector. of laborers desiring extension :Charley Kee, Interpreter. of time in China on account of :W.B.Calkins, Stenographer. sickness.

Witness, HARRY MOY, alias MOY JEE GOON, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q. What is your name? A. Harry Moy.

Q. What is your Chinese name? A. Moy Gee Goon.

Q. You made a trip to China leaving Chicago some time in March or April, 1906? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you return within one from the time you departed?

A. It was over a year.

Q. Did you obtain a sick certificate? A. Yes.

Q. Whom did you obtain that sick certificate of? A. Got it from the Doctor.

Q. Did you get a certificate from the United States Consul at either Canton or Hong Kong? A. At Hong Kong.

Q. It has been reported to me that you paid the Consul or some of his employees money to obtain that certificate, is that true? A. No. I did not pay any money.

Q. Did any other Chinamen obtain sick certificate about the time that you did? A. Yes, there were a number of them. They got certificate one at a time. They were all separate.

Q. Do you know the names of any of these men? A. No.

Q. Do you know how much money they paid, or didn't they tell you how much they paid? A. At the time a party of Chinese were at a store called by the name of Goey Wah Chung in Hong Kong, China, one of the party asked me, "When you got your overtime certificate, did you have to pay any money for it?" I said, "No, I did not." He said, "But I had to pay."

Q. Did he tell you how much he paid? A. He paid \$50.00 in Chinese money.

Q. Whom did he say he paid it too? A. The proprietor of that store. He gave it to one of the Hor family and from the Hor family went to the Wong family; and from the Wong family it was transferred over to the Chin family, and they fixed the paper all right.

Q. Did this Chinaman come over on the same boat with you?

A. No, he was detained until the next steamer.

Q. Is the man in Chicago now? A. No somewhere in New York state.

Q. Now Moy, you needn't be afraid to tell me the truth. I promise you that whatever comes of it, nothing will happen to you. A. I didn't know anything about this business until I came back here to Chicago when some of the Chinamen who had just returned from China told me that there were notices posted in China which said that sick certificates could be obtained through doctor or Consul.

Q. How much did they say that these papers would cost?

A. \$120.00 Chinese money. These fellows said that these certificates should be obtained from the man posting the notice.

Q. Have you heard of any such statements being made lately, within the past few months? A. I have heard nothing in regard to it since about a year ago.

Q. Did these men tell you who was the man in China that acted for them in getting the certificates? A. He was a member of the Gow family. (Interpreter says that the man's name is Gow Goey)

Q. If you hear anything more of cases of this kind, will you notify me and let me know the names of the men so that I can examine them; or inform Charley Kee so that he can inform me? A. Yes.

Q. The Government does not intend for a Chinaman to be put to any expense in obtaining his rights under the Chinese Exclusion Law whether he wants a return certificate or whether he wants a sick certificate issued to him that would entitle him to remain overtime; and I would be obliged to you if you would inform me whether officers or anyone representing himself to be an officer

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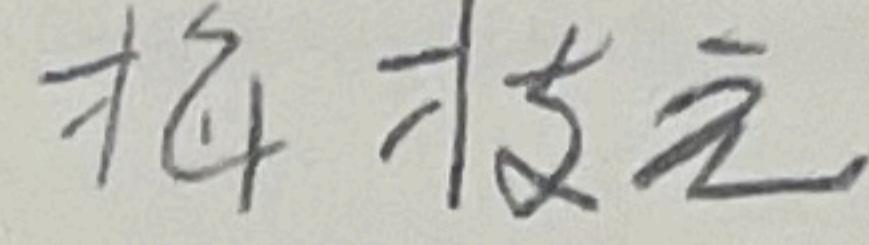
Testimony of HARRY MOY, continued:

has charged Chinamen for granting any one of these privileges, and I can promise you that no harm will come to the Chinaman who furnishes any information of this kind. A. I will inform you(meaning the interpreter) and you can bring it to the office.

Q Have you understood the interpreter? A. Yes.

Witness signed his name in Chinese & English.

(Signed) Harry Moy, Witness.



(Signed) Charley Kee, Interpreter.

(Signed) L. T. Plummer, Inspector.

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CHICAGO

February 20, 1907.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.
HENRY MOY, :
Lab. Ret. : Wong Aloy, Interpreter.

Witness, MOY YUCK GEE, sworn by Inspector Plummer,
testified:

Q What is your name? A Moy Yuck Gee is my full Chinese name.

Q What is your business? A Laundryman.

Q Do you own this laundry? A No; my brother does.

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

A Yes, it is my brother, Henry Moy.

Q What is his Chinese name? A Moy Gee Yuen.

Q Does he own this laundry? A Yes.

Q Do you do as much business now as when he departed?

A It is better now than then.

Q How many men are employed here? A Three altogether.

Q Don't you own this laundry yourself? A No, my brother owns it.

Q Will he come back into this laundry when he comes back from China? A Yes, I will turn it over to him then.

Q Have you understood the Interpreter? A Yes.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY YUCK, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

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Hiray Moy Feb 20-07

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woman - May your Lee, is my
full Chinese name.

Business - Laundryman

Own the laundry - No my brother does
Know the man - You it is my brother
Hiray Moy?

What is his Chinese name - May Lee your
Does he own the laundry - Yes,
Do as much business as what he want away.
It is better now than then,

How many men - 3 altogether,
Does you own this laundry yourself,
No my brother owns it,
Will he come back into this laundry
when he return from China
You I will turn them to him then,

Understood Interpreter - yes

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CHICAGO, March 22, 1906.

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

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Henry Moy.
 Q What is your Chinese name? A Moy Gee Yuen.
 Q Where were you born? A China.
 Q When did you come to the United States?
 A K. S. 8th.
 Q How long have you lived in Chicago?
 A I came direct to Chicago and have lived here ever since.
 Q Upon what do you base your right to return to the United States?
 A I am registered and I own a laundry.
 Q Where is that laundry?
 A No. 560 West Van Buren St.
 Q How long have you owned it?
 A Since the last part of K.S. 28th.
 Q How many men worked there?
 A Four, including myself.
 Q Who is the landlord?
 A Mr. Taylor.
 Q What rent do you pay?
 A \$40 a month.
 Q How much business do you do?
 A From \$95 to \$100 a week.
 Q Have you any partners in the laundry?
 A No.
 Q Who is going to be in charge of it while you are gone?
 A My younger brother.
 Q What is his name?
 A Moy Gee.
 Q What arrangements have you made with him about taking charge of it?
 A He will take full charge and what money he makes he will turn over to Moy Dun Hoy to give to me on my return.
 Q Will you go back into that laundry when you return?
 A Yes.
 Q Who are the men working there now?
 A Moy Jung, Moy Quong, Moy Gee, and myself.
 Q Is there a lease for that laundry?
 A Yes.
 Q Where is it?
 A I left it at the laundry.
 Q Who signed it?
 A I did.
 Q How long does it run?
 A One year.
 Q What is that laundry worth?
 A I was offered \$1200 for it but I wouldn't sell it. I put it in my application as worth \$1000, as I considered that a fair price.

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- Q Are you sure you haven't sold it to your brother?
A No, sir; I did not; he will only act for me during my absence.
Q Have you understood the Interpreter, Wong Aloy?
A Yes.

Applicant signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) HENRY MOY, Applicant.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

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Witness, MOY GEE, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Moy Gee.
Q What is your business? A Laundryman.
Q Do you own a laundry or are you working in one? A I am working in one. My brother is going to China and I am going to take charge of his laundry while he is gone.
Q What is your brother's name? A Moy Gee Yuen.
Q What is the laundry address? A No. 560 West Van Buren St., Chicago.
Q How long have you worked there? A Between two and three years now.
Q How many men are employed there? A Three men at present.
Q Do you mean three men including your brother, or three men besides your brother? A There are three men besides my brother.
Q Who are the three men? A Moy Jung, Moy Quong or Moy Sue, and myself (Moy Gee); and my brother, Henry Moy.
Q How much business does that laundry do? A \$90 to \$100 a week; sometimes more than \$100 a week.
Q What is the landlord's name? A I don't know his name.
Q Do you know how much rent you pay? A \$40 a month.
Q Do you know this man here (showing photograph of applicant)? A Yes, sir; he is my brother.
Q What is his name? A Moy Gee Yuen.
Q What other name has he? A His American name is Henry Moy.
Q What is that laundry over there worth? A \$1,000.00.
Q Is it worth more than that? A Outside people offered him \$1200.00 for it but he wouldn't sell it to them.
Q What arrangements have you made with him about taking charge of it while he is gone? A I arranged to take charge of his laundry and turn over all the profits to Moy Dun Hoy, manager of Hip Lung, to hold until his return from China.
Q How much will you get out of it for yourself? A On an average \$15 a week.
Q How do you work for your brother? Do you work for him or do you own an interest in the laundry? A I am working for my brother and will take charge of the laundry while he is in China.
Q Then what wages do you get? A \$13 a week.
Q What did you mean before by saying that you would get \$15 a week on an average? A If three of us can do the work I will get \$15 a week, but if it takes four of us to do the work I will only get \$13 a week.
Q Do you own any part of that laundry? Do you own any interest in it? A No, I don't own any part of it.
Q When Henry Moy returns from China do you intend to turn the laundry over to him again? A Yes, sir.

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- Q Suppose he wouldn't return from China for some reason or other, what would you do with it?
A In case he doesn't come back I will sell it out.
Q What will you do with the money?
A I will give it to Moy Dun Hoy to send it to him.
Q Have you understood the Interpreter, Wong Aloy?
A Yes.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese.

(Signed) MOY GEE, Applicant.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.