

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

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No. 182

SUBJECT: \_\_\_\_\_

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WHEREAS, CHIN FUNG graph is hereto to depart from the port of, upon a the intention of United States for suming his present Merchant therein;

WHEREAS, the said lawfully entitled the United States pose, pursuant to the approved May 5, 1892, by the Act of Congress approved November 3, 1893, and December 7, 1894, follows, to-wit; )-



NGOR, whose photo-attached, is about United States, to visit to China, with returning into the the purpose of re-occupation as a and

CHIN FUNG NGOR, is to so return into for the said purpose the Act of Congress as amended by Congress approved the Convention of which provides as

" 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 Congress approved May 5, 1892, as amended by Act of Nov. 3, 1893.)

" The provisions of this Convention shall not affect 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 December, 7, 1894.)

NOW, THEREFORE, and for the better identification of the said CHIN FUNG NGOR, and in order to facilitate his re-entry 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 FUNG NGOR for upwards of one year last past, during which said time he has been a reputable resident merchant of the said City of Chicago, and not a huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.



WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, that, during the said time of our acquaintance with him, the said CHIN FUNG NGOR has been a member of the firm of chinese persons trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "WING CHONG HAI CO.", and that during the said time the said firm has been engaged in the business of Importers and Dealers in Silks, Provisions, Drugs and General Merchandise, at No. 319 South Clark Street, in the said City of Chicago.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said time of our acquaintance with him, the said CHIN FUNG NGOR has been actively, actually and constantly 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, and during said time has been, a member; and that during the said time of our acquaintance with him, the said CHIN FUNG NGOR 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 said trade-name 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 in the said City of Chicago, and elsewhere throughout the United States generally so far as we are aware.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. February, 24th 1900

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Description of CHIN FUNG NGOR.

AGE:-THIRTY YEARS.

HEIGHT:-FIVE FEET 3/IN./2

Entire face, Pock Marked.

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(Signed) Chas. Blinight

Chicago, Illinois.

(Signed) L. S. Layman

Chicago, Illinois.