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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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SUBJECT: _____

14-204

Application for RETURN CERTIFICATE--Chinese Laborer; Sec. 7, Act. Sept. 13, 1888; Treasury Decisions 21,446(1899), 23,660 & 23,709 (1902).

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
Port of Chicago.

I,---MAR CHOCK,---a Chinese Laborer of the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois, do hereby apply to the Treasury Department of the United States for a Return Certificate, pursuant to the act of Congress approved September 13, 1888, and the Regulations thereunder.

In support of the foregoing application, I do solemnly swear that on March 15, 1894, under the act of November 3, 1893, I was lawfully registered as a Chinese Laborer of the City, County and State of New York, by the Collector of Internal Revenue there, as shown by the accompanying Certificate of Residence, numbered 13,041, then and there issued to me by the said Collector; that I am the identical person named and described in the said Certificate of ~~Residence~~ Residence; that I am about to go abroad temporarily; that I intend to depart from the United States temporarily, at the port of San Francisco, on or about the second day of August, 1902, and to re-enter the said port of San Francisco, to resume my said residence in the United States, within one year thereafter.

Furthermore, I do solemnly swear that I have property and debts payable to me in the United States, the same being reasonably and actually worth upwards of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), and being those open accounts with customers, relatives and acquaintances a detailed description whereof I have given in a certain affidavit marked "A", annexed hereto, and made a part hereof.

My Description is as follows:--Name, Mar Chock; Age, 41 years; Height, 5 feet, 2 inches; Weight, 145 Pounds; Local Residence, No. 309 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois; Occupation, Cook; Color of Eyes, Dark Brown; Complexion, Light; Distinguishing Marks, None except the feature shown in the annexed photograph; and as a further means of identification, I have annexed the said photograph, which is a true likeness of me now.

Mar Chock

Subscribed and sworn to, by the above-named Mar Chock, this 2nd day of July, A.D., nineteen hundred and two (1902).

John Hitt

Special Deputy Collector



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United States of America.)
Northern District of Illinois.) Set:
Northern Division.)

"A"

MAR CHOCK, of the City of Chicago, in said division and district being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a native of China and emigrated to the United States when I was about thirteen (13) years of age, and have resided in the United States continuously since then, that is to say for the past Twenty-Eight (28) Years, during which time I have followed the occupation of a cook at different places and in different ways in the United States, part of the time in the employ of others and part of the time as proprietor of a business of my own. For several years, I was Cook in the employ of J. B. Haggin, a prominent horseman of Sacramento California, who finally brought me to the Atlantic coast to cook for him at different race-courses. After returning to California, he brought me East again; after which I was Cook for William C. Whitney, a well-known public man in New York for about two (2) years. For the past four (4) years, I have been Cook for Samuel Hildreth, a well known Chicago horseman, at the "Harlem" and other race-tracks. For a time, I was in partnership with one Jin Lee, and we kept a Boarding-Kitchen at different race-tracks near Chicago; and several times, when not otherwise employed, I have kept Boarding-Kitchens of my own, alone. Thus I have associated with racing-people largely and for a long time. And I am well acquainted with them throughout the United States.

A large number of my said acquaintances who have dealt with me, and employed me, are still indebted to me on open account, which debts are at present uncollectible, for various reasons. Some of them are friends and relatives who applied to me for assistance, and I loaned them money until they were able to repay me. Some of them are customers who ran an account for board which they are unable to pay at present. I keep track of them, in their travels about the country, and as they improve their financial condition from time to time, I shall be able to collect on the accounts, as I verily believe, for they are people who are likely to make money and if I am here to attend to those matters I can then induce them to pay me.

Following is a partial list of such open accounts and debts payable to me, uncollectible at present, but collectible as aforesaid:-

Lee Pang,-----	"Harlem" Race-Track, near Chicago, Ill., for borrowed money,-----	\$ 45.00.
Louey Lock,-----	Proprietor of a "Boarding-Kitchen" in New York Race-Tracks,--Borrowed Money,-----	\$ 50.00.
Tong Louey,-----	New York Laundryman, no permanent address, a relative to whom I have sent a request to pay without receiving a reply. Cash.-----	\$ 5.00.
Mah Sim Yuen,--	Same as last above,-----	\$ 35.00.
Mah Ling,-----	A relative in San Francisco. Furnished him money to engage in business. He failed. Believe he is unemployed at present, but do not know his address or circumstances just now.	\$ 300.00
Mah Dew,-----	A New York relative who borrowed money to open a laundry. Failed. Do not know his present address or circumstances. Have written him. Received no reply as yet.-----	\$ 80.00.
Lee Quong,-----	Cook, employed at different places in New York. Borrowed money.-----	\$ 7.00.
Pong Kun Dung,--	Workman in different laundries. New York,---	\$ 7.50.
Hem Ying,-----	Same as last above,-----	\$ 10.00
Forward,-----		\$539.50.

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	Forward,-----	\$ 539.50.
Jin Ding,-----	Same as last above,-----	\$ 5.00.
Mah Muck Chung, A Fisherman in San Francisco,-----		\$ 55.00.
Fong Moy,-----	Cook at different New York Race-Tracks,----	\$ 70.00.
One "Barber"----	A colored man whom I know well, but cannot say where he has been lately. His home is New York. I paid for a suit of clothes for him.-----	\$ 25.00.
Jack Magee,----	Horse-owner, formerly of New York, now in California, I think. Board for himself and men while at Chicago race-tracks,-----	\$ 60.00.
<i>Washington PK</i> Bill Kee,-----	Horse-owner and Race-Track man; Board for his men at Chicago Race-Track,-----	\$ 325.00.
<i>Washington PK</i> Mr. Hein,-----	Cared for horses for different owners: Board and money, while unemployed in Chicago	\$ 85.00.
<i>Washington PK</i> Samuel Hildreth, Horseman, Chicago: Uncollected wages,-----		\$ 600.00.
<i>Washington PK</i> Albert Simon, Hawthorne Race Track, Open Account,-----		\$ 550.00.
	Total,-----	\$2314.50.

The said open accounts have not been settled and cannot be settled. As indicated above, much of the same is with persons whose addresses I do not at present know, and whose present circumstances I do not know. I intend to collect the same in future, from time to time, as occasions arise, by attending to these matters in person: When by chance I meet people who can give me information about those above-named who owe me money, I shall make inquiries, and when I learn of one who is able to pay all or a part of what he owes me I shall manage to collect in some way. But, as may be seen, I could not so collect without being present in the United States in person, nor find any other person capable of doing the collecting for me.

The said debts are bona-fide and of the true and full amount above-named; and I verily believe the same to be actually and reasonably worth upwards of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

Subscribed and sworn to, this)
2d day of July, A.D., 1902, before)
me.)

Mer Chock

Mark A. Foote,
U.S. Commissioner, N.D. Ill.

