

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
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No. 494

SUBJECT:

In re. CHOW GOO, Laundryman, No. 1416 West Madison st., Chicago, Illinois.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 7th, 1894, and proclaimed by the President of the United States December 8th, 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 16, 1894, and is numbered "6755".

## MY DESCRIPTION IS AS FOLLOWS:

NAME: -CHOW GOO.  
AGE: -Forty-Six (46) Years.  
HEIGHT: -5 Feet, 4 Inches (In Chinese Sandals).  
RESIDENCE: -No. 1416 West Madison st., Chicago, Illinois.  
OCCUPATION: -Laundryman.  
EYES: -Dark Brown. COMPLEXION: -Dark.  
MARKS: -Pits Each Side Mouth.

## I CLAIM TO POSSESS THE PROPERTY AND DEBTS BELOW:-

PROPERTY: -None, except the personal property described below, and money in hand.

DEBT: -Payable by one CHOW QUE, proprietor of the "Sing Lee Chow Laundry", at No. 1439 West Madison street, in Chicago aforesaid, for balance of the purchase-money, on account of the purchase and sale of said Laundry, the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). That is to say, the said Chow Que purchased the said "Sing Lee Chow Laundry" from me at the price of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00), Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) of which he paid to me, and owes me the balance of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), with interest and expenses.

Said debt is actually and reasonably worth at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). It is unsettled and unascertained, and is not covered by promissory note or notes, or other evidence of ascertained liability.

I HEREBY AGREE That none of said debt shall be diverted, transferred or collected during my absence, but 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 one year thereafter.

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

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., August 27, 1906.

*[Signature]*

Subscribed and sworn to by the above-named CHOW GOO, at the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, this 27 day of August, A.D., nineteen hundred six, before me.

*[Signature]*

Chinese & Immigrant Inspector.



CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, September 7, 1906.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
CHOW GOO, :  
Lap. Dep. : Wong Aloy, Interpreter.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified :

Q What is your name?  
A Chow Goo.  
Q What is your business?  
A Laundryman.  
Q Where do you live?  
A No. 1516 West Madison St., Chicago.  
Q Do you own this laundry here?  
A I used to own it but I have sold it to my brother now.  
Q Did you ever own any other laundry?  
A Yes, at No. 1439 West Madison St.  
Q How long did you own that laundry?  
A I opened that laundry just before the strike three years ago.  
Q When did you sell it?  
A About two months ago.  
Q To whom did you sell it?  
A Chow Quay.  
Q What did he pay you for the laundry?  
A \$1200. He paid me \$200 and still owes me \$1,000.  
Q Who was your landlord?  
A His name was Tom.  
Q Does this landlord know that you formerly owned that laundry?  
A Yes, but we had some words and he might turn me down.  
Q Where did Chow Quay pay you the \$200?  
A He paid me at the time he bought the laundry.  
Q Where did the sale take place?  
A At the laundry.  
Q How long have you known Chow Quay?  
A Quite a few years. He worked for me last year.  
Q When will he pay the \$1,000?  
A We agreed that when I came back if he does not have it I can take the laundry back.  
Q Did he give you any note for the debt?  
A No, sir.  
Q Does he pay you any interest for the money?  
A No, sir.  
Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy?  
A Yes, sir.

Applicant signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) CHOW GOO, Applicant.  
(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.  
(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

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Witness, CHOW QUAY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name?  
A Chow Quay.  
Q What is your business?  
A Laundryman, at No. 1439 West Madison St., Chicago.  
Q Do you own this laundry?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q How long have you owned it?  
A Not quite three months.  
Q From whom did you buy it?  
A Chow Goo.  
Q Whose photograph is that (showing photograph of applicant)?  
A That is Chow Goo.  
Q How much did you pay for the laundry?  
A \$1,200.00.  
Q Did you pay cash for the laundry?  
A I paid \$200.00 cash.  
Q How about the balance of \$1,000?  
A When he comes back from China I will pay him if I have it.  
Q Did you give him any note for the money?  
A No, sir.  
Q Do you pay him any interest?  
A No, sir.  
Q Have you a lease of the premises?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q Who signed the lease?  
A Chow Goo, by name Sing Lee Chow.  
Q Did you buy the laundry before or after the lease was signed?  
A Afterwards, but the name on the lease has not been changed.  
Q Suppose you don't pay him this \$1,000 can he take the laundry back again?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q How much business do you do in this laundry?  
A From \$80 to \$100 a week.  
Q How many men work here?  
A Three; some times four.  
Q Who pays the rent?  
A I do.  
Q How much rent do you pay?  
A \$25.75 per month.  
Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy?  
A Yes, sir.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) CHOW QUAY, Witness.  
(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.  
(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.