U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IMMIGRATION SERVICE

NO 411

IMMIGRATION FILE

SUBJECT:

CHICAGO, September 8, 1905.

Case of GEE WO CHAN, Ret. Mer.

Ward E. Thompson, Examining Inspector.

Witness, GEE WAY CHAN, testified in English:

Q What is your name?

A Gee Way Chan.

Q What is your business?

A I am a merchant at 427 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Q What is the name of that firm?

A Gee Wo Chong Chinese Medicine Co. Q What position do you occupy in that firm?

A I have been Acting Manager since Gee Wo Chan went to China.

Q Do you recognize this picture (showing photo of applicant)?

A Yes, sir; that is Gee Wo Chan, a partner of mine.

Q What position does he occupy in your firm?

A He is manager.

Q How much interest does he have in your firm?

A \$5,000.00.

Q Does he still retain his full \$5,000 interest?

A He does.

Q When he comes back from China what does he expect to do?

A He will resume his old position of manager of the firm.

Q Have you understood my questions?

A I have.

Witness, sworn by Inspector Thompson, signed in English:

(Signed) GEE WAY CHAN,

Witness.

Inspector.

(Signed) WARD E. THOMPSON,

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Department of Commerce and Tabor IMMIGRATION SERVICE

No.3221.

OFFICE OF CHINESE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE PORT TOWNSEND, WASH. 1905.

L. T. Plummer,

Chinese Inspector in Charge, Federal Bldg., Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

I enclose you herewith papers in the case of one GEE WO CHAN, a Chinese merchant of #427 Wabash Avenue, who is now in China and who has sent notice through Mr. Chan Pak Sun, of the Joy Let Lo Co., #291 Clark St., your city, of his intention to return to the United States, and requesting a reinvestigation of his case prior to his arrival. In your report on this case dated July 10, 1903, you stated that the applicant desired to return again to the United States bringing with him, his wife, minor son and daughter.

In the notice sent by Chan Pak Sun no mention is made of the wife, son or daughter. Please interrogate this party and ascertain, if possible, whether or not the applicant intends to bring his family with him; is so, in addition to the reinvestigation as to the mercantile status of the applicant, please make such an investigation as is possible as to his family, taking the testimony of anyone who knows his family etc.

Please return all papers to this office together with the report of the examining inspector at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Chinese Inspector in Charge.

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Department of Commerce and Cahor Bureau of immigration

No.7901-C. Washington

July 15,1903.

Lorenzo T.Plummer,

Inspector in Charge,

No.2 River Street,

Chicago, Illinois.

Sir: --

The Bureau acknowledges the return of papers in the case of Gee Wo Chan, a Chinese merchant of Chicago who desires to depart from the United States and return again accompanied by his wife, minor son, and daughter.

Your report of your investigation of this case, which accompanied the papers returned, has been noted, and will be duly transmitted to the officer in charge of Chinese affairs at the Puget Sound District.

Respectfully,

Commissioner-General.

JWB.