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as amended by



Moy Ham, whose  
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the said Moy Ham  
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the Act of Con-  
May 5, 1892,  
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gress approved November 3rd, 1893, which provided as follows,  
to-wit:

"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 the 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, he shall be refused landing"; and

NOW THEREFORE, and for the better identification of the said Moy Ham, and in order to facilitate his re-entry into the United States upon his return hereto for 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 were well acquainted with the said Moy Ham for upwards of one year previous to his said intention to ~~leave~~ said departure from Chicago.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY that during the said time of



our acquaintance with him that the said Moy Ham was a member of the firm of Chinese merchants, trading and doing business under the trade name and style of Hip Lung Company, Importers and dealers in teas, provisions, fancy goods and general Chinese and Japanese Merchandise at 323 South Clark Street in the said City of Chicago as aforesaid.

AND WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY that during the said time of our acquaintance with the said Moy Ham he has been so engaged in buying and selling merchandise at the said fixed place of business, under the said trade name and styles of the said firm, of which he has been a member, and that during the said time the said Moy Ham has not been engaged in the performance of manual labor, skilled or unskilled, of any kind, except such as was necessary in the conduct of his said business as such merchant as aforesaid.

AND WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the said trade name and style is arbitrary and fanciful and does not indicate the names of the members of said firm, or any of them, and so far as we are aware such use of such trade name and style is customary amongst Chinese merchants generally in said City of Chicago and elsewhere throughout the United States.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A. May 7th, A. D. 1907.

Geow. Risley  
David Grant

Description of Moy Ham:  
Age 51 years; Height 5 ft. 5 inches.  
Facial marks- Dark Complexioned.



STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF COOK  
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

George Risley of the  
City of Chicago, in said County and State, being first duly sworn,  
according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:

I am a citizen of the United States, and I am a resi-  
dent of the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook, and State of  
Illinois, where I follow the occupancy of \_\_\_\_\_

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed  
certificate and the statements therein made are true and correct  
to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, A. D.  
1907, before me

Henry B. Kellogg  
Notary Public.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF COOK  
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

David Grant of the  
City of Chicago, of said County and State, being first duly sworn  
according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:

I am a citizen of the United States and I am a  
resident of the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State  
of Illinois, where I follow the occupancy of a bank clerk

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed  
certificate and the statements made are true and correct to  
the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, A. D.  
1907, before me

Henry B. Kellogg  
Notary Public.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
CITY OF CHICAGO

I, Wirt E. Humphrey, a United States Commissioner,  
in and for the Northern District of Illinois, do hereby  
certify that I am acquainted with George H. Riely  
and David Grant, the signers of the  
foregoing and attached certificate, and that they are  
citizens of the United States, not Chinese persons,  
and residents of the City of Chicago, in the said  
Northern District of Illinois; that they are reputable  
persons of good character, and that their statements are  
entitled to full credence and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand  
and seal in the City of Chicago aforesaid, in the said  
Northern District of Illinois, this 7th day of May,  
A. D. 1907

W. E. Humphrey  
United States Commissioner for the  
Northern District of Illinois.





CHICAGO

May 8, 1907.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
MOY HAM, :  
Mer. Dep. : Wong Aloy, Interpreter.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name? A Moy Ham.  
Q What is your full Chinese name?  
A My name is Moy Ham Gow and my marriage name is Moy King Nie.  
Q Are you registered?  
A No; I have always been a merchant.  
Q When did you first come to the United States?  
A Hung Chee 12th year.  
Q Where were you a merchant during the period of registration?  
A In Boston; Wing Goon Chung Co., 32 Harrison Ave.  
Q What interest did you have in that firm? A \$1000.00.  
Q What is your business now?  
A Merchant, of Hip Lung & Co., Chicago.  
Q How much interest have you in that firm? A \$500.00.  
Q What are your duties about the store?  
A I am the bookkeeper; I write the bills and am cashier.  
Q What salary do you receive?  
A We all receive \$40.00 per month.  
Q How long have you been a member of this firm? A Ten years.  
Q How many partners are in the store all the time, engaged in its business?  
A Nine.  
Q Give their names?  
A Moy Dong Yee, Moy Dong Jiw, Moy Dong Hoy, Moy Choon, Moy Lee, Moy Ham (myself), Moy Hen, Moy Gone, and Moy Toy.  
Q During the past year have you done any manual labor except such as was necessary to the conduct of the business of that firm?  
A No.  
Q What is a fair value of the goods now on hand?  
A I should think over \$30,000.00.  
Q Are you going to China on your own business or business of the firm?  
A I want to make a visit to my home and also buy some goods.  
Q Are you married in China? A Yes.  
Q How many children have you in China?  
A One boy and one girl, but the girl is married. I also have one boy here.  
Q How long do you expect to be gone?  
A I will return as soon as I can, but will surely get back before the Chinese New Year.  
Q Have you anything further that you care to say?  
A No, except that what I tell you is all true.  
Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy? A Yes.

Witness signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) MOY HAM, Applicant.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.



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Witness, MOY DONG HOY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Moy Dong Hoy.
- Q What is your business?
- A Merchant; manager of Hip Lung & Co., 323 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?
- A Yes; it is Moy Ham, my partner.
- Q How long has he been a member of your firm? A Ten years.
- Q How much interest has he in your firm? A \$500.00.
- Q What are his duties about the store?
- A He is the bookkeeper, and also does general work about the store.
- Q What is a fair value of the goods you now have on hand?
- A About \$30,000.00.
- Q What salary does he receive? A \$40.00 a month.
- Q Does that include his dividends? A No.
- Q Has there been any change in the membership or the interests held by the members of your firm since the list furnished me September 15, 1905?
- A No.
- Q Who are the partners whose entire time is devoted to the business of your store?
- A Nine in all.
- Q Give their names?
- A Moy Dong Jew, Moy Dong Yee, Moy Dong Hoy (myself), Moy Ham (applicant), Moy Gone, Moy Lee, Moy Choon, Moy Toy, and Moy Hen.
- Q During the past year has Moy Ham done any manual labor outside the store, or except such as was necessary to the conduct of its business?
- A No.
- Q Is he going to China on his own business or on business of the firm?
- A He is going on his own personal business, and also to buy goods for the firm.
- Q How long will he be away?
- A He thinks he will come back inside of three months, or earlier if his wife will let him. We want him to return as soon as possible, as we are short of men in the store.
- Q Have you anything further that you care to say? A No.
- Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy? A Yes.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY DONG HOY, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.



Department of Commerce and Labor  
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR IN CHARGE  
PORTAL, N. DAK.

January 11, 1908.

L. T. Plummer,  
Chinese Inspector in Charge,  
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

I beg leave to inform you that the following named  
Chinese persons were admitted at this port, on the 10th instant,  
en route to your city:

- ✓ LEE HING DON. Merchant. Member Wah Ching Lung Co.
- ✓ MOY HAM. Merchant. Member Hip Lung Co.
- ✓ Lee Ten. Laborer.

Respectfully,

*O. B. Kelton*  
Chinese Inspector in Charge.

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Chinese Inspector,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.



CHICAGO, ILL., November 19, 1907.

Case of : L.T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
MOY HAM, Mer. Ret.

Witness, MOY DONG HOY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

(in English)

Q What is your name? A Moy Dong Hoy.

Q What is your business? A Manager of Hip Lung Co., 323 So. Clark St.

Q Do you know him? (showing photo of applicant) A Yes, it is my partner, Moy Ham.

Q Does he have the same interest in your firm as when he departed? A Yes.

Q How much is that? A \$500.

Q What will he do when he returns? A He will come back into the store the same as before.

Q Has he sold or transferred any of his interest? A No.

Q Is your store in about the same condition as when he departed? A Yes.

Q And is its business about the same? A Yes.

Q Have you understood my questions? A Yes.

(Witness signed his name in Chinese)  
(Signed) L.T. Plummer, Inspector.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

Witness - Moy Dong Hoy

Business - Manager of Hip Lung Co 323 So. Clark St.

Know him - Yes it is my partner Moy Ham.  
Does he have the same interest in your firm as when he departed - yes.

How much is that - \$500

What will he do when he returns - Come back into the store same as before.

Has he sold or transferred any of his interest - No.  
Is your store in about the same condition as when he departed - yes.

And is its business about the same - yes.  
Understood my questions - yes.

梅冬侯  
L.T. Plummer