

"In the enforcement of the provisions of Section II of the Act of November 3, 1893, relating to the application for admission of alleged returning Chinese merchants, it will not be enough to have witnesses testify that an applicant for at least one year before his departure from the United States was not engaged in the performance of any manual labor except such as was necessary in the conduct of his business as such merchant, but the testimony should show specifically the kind of work the Chinaman has done during the entire year, and, after detailing the character of such work, should say that he has not performed any other labor than that specifically set forth." (UNITED STATES TREASURY DECISION NO. 21,039.)

- 1 What is your name? Wm J Gardner
- 2 What is your business? Ice Broker
- 3 What is your business address? 213 Sansome St
- 4 Who is the person represented by the photo. shown you? Pei Kin Chow
- 5 How long have you known him? 3 or 4 years
- 6 What is his occupation? Merchant
- 7 Of what firm is he a member? How Kee Sang Co
- 8 Has the store any connection with a laundry, restaurant, lodging house, barber shop or pawn shop? No
- 9 Where is the store located? 240 Clay St
- 10 What kind of business do they conduct? Ice and milk
- 11 Does the firm engage in manufacturing of any description? No
- 12 Having read Treasury Decision No. 21039 (cited above) which governs our procedure, are you able to state specifically the kind of work he performed during the entire year prior to date? (Yes or No) Yes
- 13 If so, what was such work? Salesman
- 14 Do you know whether or not during the period referred to the applicant worked as a laundryman, peddler, servant, farmer, ranch hand, cook, fisherman, miner or at any other labor? No has not
- 15 Can you state that you know he performed no other labor during that period than that stated in Question 13? Yes
- 16 Upon what do you base your knowledge of the above? Personal Observation
- 17 How frequently did you visit the store of applicant during the year prior to date? about 30 times
- 18 During the said period did you always find the applicant engaged in said store? Yes
- 19 Can you name any other partners in this firm? Yim Kow
- 20 If not, why not?

(Signature of witness)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Aug, 1902

affirmed

W J Gardner
Immigrant Inspector.