

America Maru, Aug. 18, 1903.

No. 35, Yee Jock Leong.

Ward Thompson, Inspector.

Native.

C. Rickards, Interpreter.

Ex America Maru, Aug. 17, 1903.

F. W. McFarland, Stenographer.

Q What is your name?

A Yee Dock Leong.

Q How old are you?

A 20 years old.

Q Where were you born?

A 741 Sacramento Street, San Francisco.

Q What floor of that building were you born on?

A On the 2d floor.

Q Who gave you that information?

A My mother.

Q When?

A She told me that when I was quite small.

Q Has she ever told you that since?

A When I was about to come here she also told me again.

Q Is your mother living?

A Yes.

Q Where is she living?

A She is in China in the Lee Yin village.

Q What is your mother's name?

A Wong Shee.

Q Is she a bound footed or natural footed woman?

A Natural footed.

Q Is she a heavy, stout woman, or a slim woman?

A She is rather slim.

Q Has she any scars or any physical peculiarities about her face, do you remember?

A Nothing that I have noticed.

Q What is your father's name?

A Yee King Wo.

Q Where is your father?

A He is in San Francisco.

Q Is he in business?

A Yes.

Q Where and in what firm?

A In the firm of Kow Kee Jon & Co., 840 Clay Street.

Q Did you ever see your father?

A Yes.

Q When did you see him?

A My father went to China several times, and I saw him there.

Q In that village where your mother lives now?

A Yes.

Q You are sure he has been there several times, are you?

A Yes, twice.

Q Can you give me the two years that he went to China?

A He went to China in K. S. 12th year and in the 16th year. He returned from his first trip in the 13th year, 9th month. He returned on the second trip in K. S. 21st year, 4th mo.

Q When did you go to China from this country?

A I went to China with my father and mother, in K. S. 12th year.

Q Anyone else?

A No.

Q Do you remember ever being in this country?

A No, I was so small I do not remember.

Q How old were you when you went to China?

A 3 years old.

Q Do you know the exact date that you sailed from this country?

A My mother told me that I left here in K. S. 12th year, but she did not tell me in what month or what day.

Q Did she tell you on what steamer?

A She says I went on the Gaelic.

- Q Have you any brothers or sisters?
A I have a younger brother, Yee Sui Leung.
Q How old is he?
A He is 12 years old. He was born in K. S. 18th year. I do not remember in what month.
Q You have no sisters, have you?
A I have a younger sister.
Q How old is she? and what is her name?
A Yee Yit. She is 10 years old. She was born K. S. 20th year. I do not remember the month.
Q Is she a bound or natural footed girl?
A She has not had her feet bound yet.
Q Is that all the brothers and sisters you have--just one sister and one brother?
A Yes.
Q Whom do you live with in China?
A I lived with my mother.
Q Your brother and sister live there too, do they not?
A Yes.
Q Anyone else besides your mother and sister and brother living in the same house with you?
A They are the only persons who live in that house.
Q What village is that?
A Lee Yin village.
Q What alley is that house situated on?
A It is on the third alley.
Q How many houses from the corner is that house?
A Mine is the 4th house.
Q How many rooms in that house?
A Five rooms in all, one sitting room, two bed rooms, and two kitchens.
Q Is there an ancestral hall in that village?
A No.
Q Did you ever go to school in China?
A Yes, I have gone to school in China.
Q Did you go in your own village?
A Yes.
Q Is there a river near that village?
A There is a river a short distance from it. You can see it from the village.
Q Is it in the rear or in front of the village?
A It is in the front of the village.
Q Are there any hills near that village?
A There are hills to the rear of the village.
Q Any in front?
A No.
Q Who lives in the house next to yours on the right as you come out?
A Yee Wah Due.
Q Is he a married man?
A Yes.
Q How long has he lived in that house?
A He has always lived there. His father-Lee Jung Toon--lived there.
Q Who lives on the left hand side of your house as you come out?
A There is a vacant space there. No one lives there.
Q Is there a market place in that village?
A Gong May is the nearest market place. It is between one and two lees away to the north of the village.
Q Is there anyone else in this country that knows you and knows that you were born where you claim you were on Clay St.?
A My father knows I was born here. I do not know of anyone else in this country who knows it.
Q Do you ever remember of seeing anyone in China who lives in San Francisco besides your father?

- A Nem Fook called on us in China, and Jin Wah also called on us.
- Q Did Nem Fook bring you anything when he called on you, from your father?
- A He took some money to us from my father.
- Q How much money did he bring you?
- A I do not remember.
- Q Whom did he hand it to?
- A He gave it to my mother.
- Q Did he have a letter too?
- A Yes, he took a letter.
- Q What year was that that these men called?
- A K. S. 20th year.
- Q What month, do you remember?
- A 8th month.
- Q What are you going to do in this country?
- A I intend to study English and also to learn to transact business.
- Q Is that your photograph?
- A That is mine.
- Q Whose is that?
- A That is my father.
- Q Have you understood all the questions asked you by Mr. Rickards, the Interpreter?
- A Yes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the testimony of the applicant in this case, and that the same was read back to him and acknowledged and sworn to .

B. N. McFarland.

Clerk & Stenographer.