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RE-ENTRY CERTIFICATE FOR CHAE CHAN PING
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Catalogue No. 571.

Custom House
of San Francisco.

Certificate furnished to the following-named Chinese laborer, departing from the United States, for production to a customs officer on his return.

Name.		Age.	Height.	Complexion.	Color of eyes.	Physical marks, peculiarities, and scars.	Identification.
Individual.	Family.	Titled.	Feet.	Inches.	Blue.	Brown.	
Chingchan.	Chae		34	53 5/8	Brown	Brown	Small Mole on Upper lip right corner of mouth
Occupation.		Where followed.		Last place of residence.			
Labor		1845/1884		San Francisco, Cal.		San Francisco, Cal.	

I certify that the Chinese laborer to whom this certificate is issued, is entitled in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress, approved May 6, 1882 as amended by the Act of July 3, 1884, to return to, and to re-enter the United States, upon producing and delivering this certificate to the collector of customs of the district at which he shall seek to re-enter.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 2 day of JUN 1887.

H. J. Ford
Collector of Customs
(May be signed by a Deputy Collector)

[To knowingly and falsely alter this certificate, or to substitute any name for that written herein, to forge or knowingly utter any forged or fraudulent certificate, or to falsely personate any person named herein, is to be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by fine and imprisonment.]

[The certificate is furnished without charge.]

San Francisco, California

