

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION

CHINESE IMMIGRATION ACT

An Act respecting and restricting Chinese Immigration.
R.S. 1906, Chap. 96, (as amended by Acts to amend the
Chinese Immigration Act, assented to 20th July, 1908,
and July 25, 1917, respectively).

Short Title

Sec. 1. This Act may be cited as the Chinese Immigration Act. 3 E.
VII., c. 8, s. 1.

Interpretation

Sec. 2. In and for the purposes of this Act, unless the context
otherwise requires, -

- (b) "controller" means any Customs or other
officer at any seaport or frontier Customs
port duly appointed as such and charged
with the duty of assisting in carrying the
provisions of this Act into effect;

Tax and Exemptions

Sec. 7. Every person of Chinese origin, irrespective of allegiance,
shall pay into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, on entering Canada,
at the port or place of entry, a tax of five hundred dollars, except the
following persons who shall be exempt from such payment, that is to say:

- (a) The members of the diplomatic corps, or other
government representatives, their suites and
their servants, and consuls and consular agents;
- (b) The children born in Canada of parents of
Chinese origin and who have left Canada for
educational or other purposes, on substantiat-
ing their identify to the satisfaction of the
controlæer at the port or place where they
seek to enter on their return;
- (c) (1) Merchants, their wives and minor children;
(2) The wives and minor children of clergymen;
(3) Tourists;
(4) Men of science

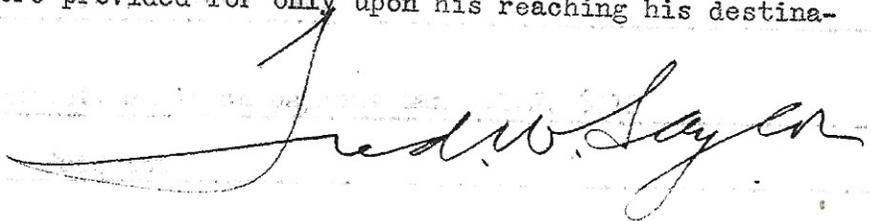
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(c) (5) (Subject to such regulations as may from time to time be made by the Governor in Council) duly certified teachers; who shall substantiate their status to the satisfaction of the controller, subject to the approval of the Minister, or who are bearers of certificates of identity, or other similar documents issued by the Government whose subjects they are, specifying their occupation and their object in coming into Canada.

Sec. 7. (3) A student of Chinese origin who upon first entering Canada has substantiated his status as such to the satisfaction of the controller, subject to the approval of the Minister, and who is the bearer of a certificate of identity, or other similar document issued by the Government or a recognized official or representative of the Government whose subject he is, and who at that time satisfied the controller that he is entering Canada for the purpose of securing a higher education in one of the recognized universities, or in some other educational institution approved by the Governor in Council for the purposes of this section, and who afterwards furnishes satisfactory proof that he has been a bona fide student in such university or educational institution for a period of one year shall be entitled to a refund of the tax paid by him upon his entry into Canada.

Sec. 7. (4) Notwithstanding anything in this Act, and subject to such regulations as are made for the purpose by the Governor in Council, any Chinese immigrant, whose destination is a place in Canada other than the port or place at which he enters Canada, may pass through to his destination and pay the tax hereinbefore provided for only upon his reaching his destination.



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