

CHINESE CERTIFICATES.

Provisions of the Amended Law Recently Passed by Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 23.—The new regulations for the issuance of certificates of residence to Chinese, under the provisions of the amendatory act recently approved by Congress, have been submitted to Secretary Carlisle by the commissioner of the internal revenue, Mr. Miller.

According to its provisions, a Chinaman in an affidavit must swear that he has never committed felony in the United States, and this fact must also be testified to by a white witness. A photograph of the applicant must be attached to the affidavit, and two other likenesses must be transmitted to the collector of internal revenue and the Treasury department.

Collectors of internal revenue are instructed all classes of skilled and unskilled manual laborers, including Chinese employed in mining, fishing, huckstering, laundrying and peddling shall be classified as laborers. A person to be exempted from the operations of this law must be engaged in buying and selling merchandise at a fixed place of business conducted in his name, and who, during the time he claims to be a merchant, does not engage in the performance of any manual labor except such as is necessary in the conduct of his business as a merchant. The paragraph in the old regulation exempting persons from the operations of the law who are owners or part owners of a mercantile establishment is stricken out.