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June 9, 1916.

Commissioner of Naturalization,
Department of Labor,
Washington, D. C.

Dear sir:

Referring to File No. 10088- 1473, your letter dated May 13th:

The party I have in mind came to America on a foreign vessel as a cabin boy about 1897, and was induced to leave that vessel and ship upon another, and continued in such rather desultory service for two or three years, being under age all of the time.

Before he came of age, and about 1901, he stopped permanently in America, and has not been out of the country since, except on American vessels, and since 1904 has not been out at all.

He is a man of intelligence, speaks English very well, and his native tongue very poorly, and would make a good citizen.

The irregular circumstances mentioned have stood in the way heretofore of his naturalization, or rather of his attempting it. He has never filed even his first papers.

I do not know how serious his infraction would be considered from an immigration point of view, though

it would seem that being nearly twenty years ago, and his being a mere boy at the time and his having had a good record since would all be suggestive of lenient treatment.

I would be particularly pleased to have a full statement from you of all pertinent points, as I am anxious to assist him in filing his preliminary papers and ultimately establishing complete citizenship.

With thanks for your consideration, I am,

Very truly yours,

JEA-JB

Jas: L. Aubry