

The Village Shop on Allsides. (Chinese)

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Date Visit.

Chung. (Chinese shopkeeper).

12.2.'47.  
E.C. alone.

Went in to shop with Jonathan Beckford to purchase aspirin for Mrs Napier. Bar at counter. Chinese shopkeeper pouring rum and gin into different glasses for group of men round counter. Men stood aside while he served me. All men in working clothes. It was just mid-day. Outside the shop there was another group of men. They answered my good-morning and watched me get into the car.

13.2.'47.  
E.C. with Miss  
L.T. and D.

Miss L.T. wanted to meet "Miss Loo" the Chinese shopkeeper. We all went into shop. No drinking inside but group of same sort of men on porch outside. All talking loudly. One well-dressed stalwart about 40 accosted us for "a sixpence". I had noticed him earlier in the morning with another man galloping donkeys (barebacked) up and down the Allsides road, lashing them and shouting. When L.T. came out he begged from her. He then turned to me and said "You not going to give me sixpence?" And when I shook my head and got into the car he again turned to L.T. As we drove off I heard him say -- "You should, ~~you~~ is of different race, and ought to." They all seemed to have liquor taken. At penny per aspirin it would be interesting to know what Chung charges for gin and rum!

Miss D. says while we were in shop she heard the same man say he had no use for this P.C. idea -- if it rained who was to go for the children!" Could he by any chance be Mister Jones of whom Mrs Napier spoke??

C.Sch. P.D.22. Household 78.

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Chung. Thomas Head. M.M.54. Naturalised Chinese. 28 years in locality. Confucian.  
" Louise Wife. F.M.50. O.O. Br. by birth. Confucian. 18yrs in loc.  
" Yong Adop. Son. M.S. 7. Chinese coloured. B. by birth. Born Trelawny.  
Lue. Tom Shing Employ: M.S. 43. Chinese. Nat. Br. Confuc. Clerk grocery. Secondary Ed.

Head Shopkeeper, own account, Chinese grocery. Owns house. Lives behind shop. 4 rooms, 3 bedrooms. Pit latrine. House good, no termites. Wooden house shingled roof.