

Mr. SIEW YUEN NGAN.

Mr. Siew Yuen Ngan is a native of Chao-yang District, Kwangtung Province, and was born in 1889. He obtained his education in his native town, and when he was but a lad of sixteen he came to Hongkong to practise business.

At the end of the Ch'ing Dynasty the policy of the then Government reached its worst and most of the patriots schemed to revolt. Mr. Siew joined into Revolution and went to Swatow to play his activities. Finally, the revolution was successful and the Republic of China was firmly established. Then Mr. Siew became a staff in the Bureau of Protection in Swatow. Three years later, when President Yuan Shilt-kai plotted the restoration of a monarchical government, Mr. Siew, who is a faithful nationalist, became Chief of the Munition Department of the Van-guard on the revolutionalists' side.

After this matter was absolutely settled, Mr. Siew resigned every position and returned to Hongkong. He established a firm under the name of Hung Cheong and deals in rice business.

Mr. Siew is very active in social affairs. He is one of the founders of the Honglong Rice Merchants' Association and was for two terms chairman of its Executive Board. At present, he is committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong; Director of Swatow Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong; Executive Committee of the Chao-Chow Association, Hongkong; Executive Committee of the Hongkong Rice Merchants' Association, and many other social organizations,

Married when he was twenty-four, Mr. Siew has four sons and a daughter. Except the eldest son, the others are still attending schools.