

immigration of Orientals to this fair Dominion, it will inevitably result, in the not distant future, in placing in the hands of the awakening Orient a most potent weapon in the struggle for supremacy of the Pacific, and further in retarding, if not forever crippling, the progress and development of the Pacific coast province.

Canada comprehends within her bounds all the territory from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and an action which weakens any point will correspondingly impair the strength of the whole. It is vital to the most successful development of the great Northwest, or prairie provinces, that the Pacific seaboard be held inviolate and as free as possible from all influences antagonistic to the interests of the whole Dominion. From this standpoint, then, it is absolutely essential that the Pacific coast should be peopled by a race whose interest and traditions are sympathetic to that of the rest of the Dominion, and whose patriotism is of that calibre which would willingly make great personal sacrifices for the protection of the coasts. It is not sufficient that the government and social leaders be loyal, but the great mass of the people must have these sentiments deeply ingrained in their innermost lives. Every class of society, from the most simple and humble to the most influential and learned, must be permeated with the same sentiments, the same traditions, the same national aspirations, the same hopes, the same loyalty. How can this be if 10,000 Japanese control your fisheries and incidentally your coast waters? These men are, one and all, ultra loyal subjects of the Mikado of Japan. How can it be, when a large portion of the more humble, but none the less honorable, occupations are passing into the hands of Oriental aliens, whose mode of life, and whose social and domestic surroundings are such as to practically eliminate the possibility of establishing in the community that class, which in British national life form the body of the nation, its strength and its stability—the family of the artisan and the toiler?

How, we ask, can we expect to erect a bulwark on our western frontier against possible foreign aggression, when we encourage the establishment on our coast of a race which will not assimilate and whose whole nature is the direct antitype of our own race; whose ethics, morals, religion, psychology, education is the antithesis of ours; whose social and domestic life, national ideas, economic conceptions and political training has no relative place in our great system; in short, whose