Prostitutes compared.

going among the Chinese is a gross exaggeration. Very few, anyhow, go among them for that purpose. They can go farther and fare better. The Chinese prostitutes do not exercise any influence among the white virtuous people, the white prostitutes exercise a very degenerating influence upon them; but it is inevitable. When men are unable to be men of families, they are nevertheless subject to the law of nature, and they must go among the prostitutes. If there is a comparison to be made at all, the white prostitutes who promenade our thoroughfares in rich attire, are more likely to have a bad effect upon our poor white girls than the Chinese prostitutes. As far as the depravity of white young men is owing to female influence, it is the white prostitute more than it is the Chinese in this city. Do not get drunk.

Garroting, highway robberies, rolling on drunks, etc., I have never known among the Chinese; but such crimes are very common. I have never seen a drunken Chinaman; they drink some whiskey, but moderately. Their dissipation is rather in opium; but the cases in which they become maniacal from the use of it and lose their health are less frequent.

I read Dr. Meares' statement, and while I consider him a man of veracity and probity to the highest degree, yet I think he has exaggerated his dislike to the Chinese.

This agitation of the Chinese question injures me very much.

The cubic-air law has been misconstrued, and applied simply and entirely to molest and drive out the Chinese; but if applied to all classes, nearly every block in the city would be found defective. The law is violated by whites as well as Chinese. There may be an occasional case where it is enforced against the whites.

Referring again to Chinese prostitution I think they should be allowed to come with the same facility that any other immigrants come, and I think that if 20,000 reputable Chinese females, virtuous women, could be brought into this city, and accepted into the family—the human family—it would be a great advantage. The municipality should use legitimate means and proper sumptuary laws to guard the morality of the city; but I do not believe that the entire expulsion of these women would do good. I believe in limiting that as in limiting every other misfortune of the human family to the smallest amount.

The Chinese cannot directly assimilate with our people. No two races have been known to assimilate well. The black and the white assimilate, and the quadroon and the octoroon become quite a different people. There have been intermarriages already in this city. I think if a first-class Chinese woman and a first-class white man would marry, it would be a very much better cross than the white man on the negro or the white man on the Indian.

The opposition to the Chinese arises from a misconceived view of the competition of the Chinese against the other class—the laboring classes. It is jealousy and ignorance combined. The more intelligent and the more highly cultivated class of our population is that which most strongly, advocates the Chinese, as well as that class which constitutes the housekeeping—the family of our city.

A very considerable number of Chinese are employed as servants in this city. I think the same degree of trust is reposed in them that is accorded to the servants of other races, black or white.

On being recalled the witness was cross-examined in regard to his modified views of the question.

The Chinese can buy property, why not naturalize them? The tidal wave of bad immigration is just as strong from Europe and other countries as from Asia.

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