

I think I may have seen a few Chinamen under the influence of opium, but so far as my experience goes it is not universal. Opium-smoking not universal.

As to proprietors, I think there is a common sentiment and feeling in favor of the Chinamen. They are a last resort. They are the only thing that the farmer can rely upon at all. They adapt themselves to all work because the others will not do it at the price at which they work. The bummer always goes against the Chinaman. The man who demands big wages is simply running against himself; he breaks down all employment and nobody can hire him. All proprietors in their favor; they are a last resort.

The Chinese are employed as house-servants; there is nothing else to employ. White women will not go to the country. No other class to be employed as house-servants.

In the same proportion as the labor adds to the wealth of a country a Chinaman adds to the wealth of the state. He does not take any of it away; not a dollar. If I hire a man and pay him a dollar, I get an equivalent for that money in the labor performed. If I am not a fool, that labor is worth more to me than the money I pay. The Chinaman takes no money away. He gives more than he gets in labor.

The Chinaman is the best man in California; he is honest, truthful, faithful, and never breaks a contract. The Chinaman the best man in California.

I do not see how the employment of Chinese can affect white labor, though it may be so. The Chinaman opens two doors to labor where he closes one. A great many of our industries would not have existed to-day but for the presence of the few Chinamen who have made the undertakings possible. I think their presence here is a strong incentive for European and eastern labor to come here. The Chinaman opens two doors to labor where he closes one.

The railroads, which have been the means of opening up and settling a vast extent of territory in California, could not have been built without Chinese labor. They might have been built, but at such an expense that they would be almost worthless. The railroad has given new life to the whole country. Railroads could not have been built without them.

Labor is twice as high as what it is worth; it is a dollar a day and board. There is not an industry nor a farm in the state that will stand over fifty cents a day. The laborer can live better when he gets four bits a day, and the cost of living is lowered, than when he works for three dollars a day and pays three dollars for a sack of potatoes. A man can live on fifty cents to-day just as well as it was ever done, but it presupposes honesty, economy, persistent industry, and all that; the virtues practised forty years ago. I would hire an American quicker than any other man in the world, because he is the best man if he is a good man. I hire Chinamen at \$15 a month, and I pay \$30 a month to Americans and the Chinaman are doing just as much as the Americans. Labor twice as high as it is worth.

All the women can get employment if they will work at prices that will justify employment, and beyond that they have no right to ask. I expect to see some hardship in this revolution from high to low wages. Everybody has got to expect it. Wages.

I have been part proprietor of 318,000 acres of the richest lands in the state. The original cost varied from \$1 to \$1.50, some few ranches cost as high as \$4 or \$5 an acre. All women can get employment if they will be content with reasonable wages

Ever since I have been in the state I have employed to some extent Chinese labor, more of it latterly because my business admits of it.

The money paid for white country labor goes in whiskey. There is more money wasted in whiskey and idleness than would pay the national debt. If ever there was a country in the world given up to bummers, it is the state of California. The rule is for American laborers to-day to be drunkards. They are bummers. Money paid for white labor goes in whiskey.

So long as I get the work performed, I make no difference between