

until they die or return without reproducing here, can be Christianized. I do not believe in the sincerity of any Chinese converts at all unless they are born and bred to our religion.

If turned away probably a cry for them in a few years.

I should not wonder, if the Chinese were excluded, if in two or three years there would be a clamor for them, because we have so long had them; and they are so convenient to the wealthy classes of people, that the turning away of 100,000 laboring men in a small community like ours of only 700,000 or 800,000 people would be temporarily a very considerable injury to the material prosperity of the state for the time. Men, as a rule, are very selfish, and they think more of a dollar than they do of any principle.

In their own lines none can compete with Chinamen.

I do not think there is a plethora of labor on the coast. An unskilled laborer who comes from the east has difficulty in bridging over the first three or five years before he will have learned sufficiently the ways of the country to get a living by the advantages of Chinese labor. Nobody can compete with Chinamen in the things that they do; no white labor can compete with them, because they live so low. In that way they under-work him, and he either does not come here or cannot get the work he would naturally turn his hand to when he first comes. There is no inducement for white men to come here and work at wages that the Chinese work for. It is a question of wages. There is no room for any more labor except Chinese labor. I do not believe you could get so many Chinese here that we could not find work for, and if they were gone I do not believe you could get too many white men here.

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It would be right to exclude from our country any race of men against which we have a prejudice.

Those Chinese who are here I would allow to die and return home, as they will do in the course of time, and prevent any more from coming. I would cut off entirely a new supply.

Would absolutely exclude Chinese. But for Chinamen should have doubled population in five years. No idea of citizenship.

Had it not been for the Chinese, we ought, in the last five years, to have doubled our population. An immense population came here last year, but it stopped dead, simply because of the impossibility of the immigrants competing with the Chinamen.

I do not think Chinamen ever think of citizenship either at home or here, or that they know what it is, or know anything about it. They do not intend to stay here long; they go back in great numbers. If we have 10,000 who come here in a year we have 6,000 or 7,000 going back. I had Chinamen employed as domestic servants in my house at one time, and I have had opportunities of knowing that the cook, or the waiter, goes back, and returns again and resumes their employment as much as three times in five years.

Inferior in honesty and integrity. More confidence in Irish or German servant girls than in Chinamen.

As to their honesty and integrity, I think they are inferior to our people in that respect. I can trust European servants with more confidence than I can trust Chinese. I can go to an intelligence office at any time and employ an Irish or a German woman that I have never heard of, and put her in the house and go away at once, and I have never had a betrayal of that confidence. I employed Chinese about three years, and I cannot positively say they robbed me.

Some manufactures established earlier in consequence of Chinese labor.

I have no doubt whatever that very many manufactories were established in this city through Chinese labor that would not have been established at present; or they would not have been started quite as quick as if we had not had the Chinese labor.

Hypothesis on which it would have been better not to have had Chinese.

Assuming that the white immigration would have been no greater than it is, and then taking these additional Chinamen, of course 100,000 workmen add to the material wealth; but if these Chinamen have prevented