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House of Representatives.
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-ority of Law, by the unanimous
vote of said Convention the names
of whose members are by them-
selves signed to this Memorial
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many years past large numbers
of Chinese have come into our
State. That the number of Adult
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One hundred and twenty thousand
That they are an inferior race of men
incapable of assimilation with
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Nation. That their laws and Customs
which they bring with them, and
ever retain, differ from those
of any civilized people. That
they have no families, that they
are the pauper element of a
nation where want is the rule,
and plenty the exception, and
where the chief aim is to obtain
food. That the presence in such

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the health, the peace, and the general prosperity of our people depends, in a great degree, upon the early inhibition of this class of immigration.

We therefore most earnestly pray that the present treaty with China be so modified as to prohibit the further immigration of this class of Chinese laborers, or, that such laws be passed as will restrict such immigration.

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