

**From 'Map'**

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Instead, it is your unbound feet that gave  
us cause to sever

your wanton hissing for an  
American husband

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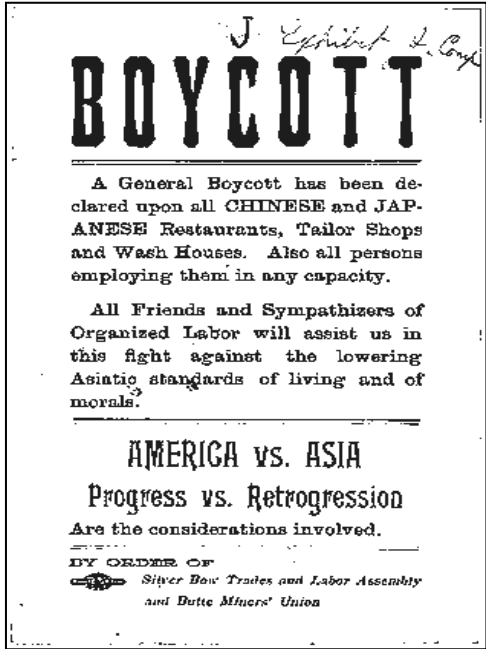
Every rodent-chive-breathed  
female spit from golden rotted teeth  
glowing amber-green trading  
long days

a fever-dreamed  
prostitute whose red bleeds in shapes  
of  
Angels bent into waiting

carved  
on cups

Sweet tea leaves ashing  
the  
island's air

in circles



Endnote: A late-1800s/early-1900s union poster demanding a boycott of Chinese American services coinciding with restrictions on Chinese immigration on grounds of "American morality"