

Hill, J.J.-Views on
Immigration

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Carbon. [J.J.Hill] to Samuel Joseph.

"The immigrant has been and still is indispensable to the development of this country and the conduct of its industries. Morally and politically, he has contributed as many virtues as he has problems. A more careful scrutiny of the character and record of those whom we admit is desirable. No other limitation is needed. The immigrant willing to do hard work, is today absolutely necessary to American industry. Usually he has in him the making of a good citizen. The proposition

that he has served a great purpose by creating slums for social problems to stir the American conscience and inspire works for social betterment not only lacks basis in fact but is too fantastic for practical discussion."

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