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Quotes about Immigration

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The making of an American begins at the point where he himself rejects all other ties, any other history, and himself adopts the vesture of his adopted land.

- Baldwin, James

Alien. An American sovereign in his probationary state.

- Bierce, Ambrose

There is nothing less to our credit than our neglect of the foreigner and his children, unless it be the arrogance most of us betray when we set out to Americanize him.

- Cooley, Charles Horton

The proposition that Muslims are welcome in Britain if, and only if, they stop behaving like Muslims is a doctrine which is incompatible with the principles that guide a free society.

- Hattersley, Roy

It almost seems that nobody can hate America as much as native Americans. America needs new immigrants to love and cherish it.

- Hoffer, Eric

Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp! cries she with silent lips. Give me your tired, your

poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed, to me; I lift my lamp beside the golden door.

- Lazarus, Emma

The great social adventure of America is no longer the conquest of the wilderness but the absorption of fifty different peoples.

- Lippmann, Walter

Every immigrant who comes here should be required within five years to learn English or leave the country.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Without comprehension, the immigrant would forever remain shut -- a stranger in America. Until America can release the heart as well as train the hand of the immigrant, he would forever remain driven back upon himself, corroded by the very richness of the unused gifts within his soul.

- Yezierska, Anzia



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