Record Nr. UNINA9910457645403321 Autore Geiger Andrea A. E **Titolo** Subverting exclusion [[electronic resource]]: transpacific encounters with race, caste, and borders, 1885-1928 / / Andrea Geiger New Haven, : Yale University Press, c2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-283-34475-0 9786613344755 0-300-17797-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (288 p.) Collana The Lamar series in western history Disciplina 305.80097 Japanese - North America - History - 19th century Soggetti Japanese - North America - History - 20th century Japanese - North America - Social conditions Racism - North America - History Boundaries - Social aspects - North America - History Electronic books. Canada Emigration and immigration History United States Emigration and immigration History British Columbia Emigration and immigration History Japan Emigration and immigration History North America Race relations Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Caste, status, and mibun -- Emigration from Meiji Japan -- Negotiating Nota di contenuto status and contesting race in North America -- Confronting White racism -- The U.S.-Canada border -- The U.S.-Mexico border --Debating the contours of citizenship -- Reframing community and policing marriage -- The rhetoric of homogeneity -- Conclusion: Refracting difference -- Timeline: Key moments in Japanese immigrants' history in North America to 1928 -- Glossary. The Japanese immigrants who arrived in the North American West in Sommario/riassunto the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries included people with

historical ties to Japan's outcaste communities. In the only English-

language book on the subject, Andrea Geiger examines the history of these and other Japanese immigrants in the United States and Canada and their encounters with two separate cultures of exclusion, one based in caste and the other in race. Geiger reveals that the experiences of Japanese immigrants in North America were shaped in part by attitudes rooted in Japan's formal status system, mibunsei, decades after it was formally abolished. In the North American West, however, the immigrants' understanding of social status as caste-based collided with American and Canadian perceptions of status as primarily race-based. Geiger shows how the lingering influence of Japan's strict status system affected immigrants' perceptions and understandings of race in North America and informed their strategic responses to two increasingly complex systems of race-based exclusionary law and policy.