

A FEW CASES OF MONGOLIAN IDIOCY.

The following is a collection of facts concerning twenty-three more or less typical cases of Mongolian or Kalmuck idiocy, as found in a population of six hundred feeble-minded, idiotic, and epileptic persons in the Minnesota School for Feeble-Minded. Of these twenty-three cases, nine are males and fourteen are females. They thus represent 3.8% of the population of the institution, or an average of about four cases in every sixty thousand of the general population.

Defects, Neurosis, etc.

| Case | Alcohol Tobacco Opium by Parents. | Blindness and Deafness. | Insanity and Feeble-mind- edness. | Scrofula consumption goitre. | Paralysis epilepsy and hysteria, etc. |
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| 1. | Father -A- Excess. | None | Father In- sane. | None. | None. |
| 2. | Abstainers. | None | None. | Bro. Phthisis. | None. |
| 3. | Abstainers. | None. | Sister F.M. | None. | None. |
| 4. | Father - T. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 5. | Father -A- Excess. | Bro. deaf. | None. | Phthisis on Mother's side. | Mother and father headaches. |
| 6. | Abstainers. | None. | Mother F.M. | None. | None. |
| 7. | Father -T. | Bro. deaf. | None. | P.G.F. & F. Phthisis. | None. |
| 8. | Father A&T. | None. | None. | None. | Bro. Hydrocephalus P.G.F. Apoplexy. |
| 9. | Abstainers. | None. | None. | G. Mother Phthisis. | Father sick head- ache. |
| 10. | Father T. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 11. | Abstainers. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 12. | Father A&T. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 13. | Father beer and T. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 14. | Father & P. G.F. A & T. | None. | None. | Phthisis & goiter on fa- ther's side. | Mother headaches. |
| 15. | Abstainers. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 16. | Abstainers. | None. | Mother's sis- ter insane. | None. | Mother headaches. |
| 17. | Alcohol & T. | None. | Cousin F.M. | None. | M. aunt epileptic. |
| 18. | Abstainers. | None. | None. | None. | None. |
| 19. | Abstainers. | None. | None. | None. | M.G.F. Paralysis. |
| 20. | Abstainers. | None. | Cerebral soft- ening father's side. | None. | Mother migraine. |
| 21. | Tobacco. | M.G.F. deaf. | None. | None. | None. |
| 22. | Al. & Tob. | None. | P. uncle F.M. | M. aunt phthi- sis. | Mother headache. |
| 23. | Abstainers. | None. | None. | None. | None. |

From this tabulation we obtain the following facts: 1st. Concerning use of alcohol, etc.

Parents abstainers (from use of alcohol).....15.

of whom in one case, bro. Phthisis.

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| " | " | " | " | " | sister feeble-minded. |
| " | " | " | " | " | mother feeble-minded. |
| " | " | " | " | " | Grandmother Phthisis, father headache. |
| " | " | " | " | " | M. aunt insane and mother headache. |
| " | " | " | " | " | M. Grandfather Paralyzed. |
| " | " | " | " | " | Cerebral softening on father's side. |
| " | " | " | " | " | Mother Migraine. |
| " | " | " | " | " | Bro. Deaf and P. G. F. & F. Phthisis. |
| " | " | " | " | " | M. G. F. Deaf. |

Father uses alcohol or beer (presumably in moderation)..... 6.

Of whom in one case Bro. Hydrocephalus & P.G.F. apoplexy.

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| " | " | " | " | " | Phthisis and Goiter on Father's side, Mother headache. |
| " | " | " | " | " | Cousin feeble-minded, M. aunt Epileptic. |
| " | " | " | " | " | Uncle feeble-minded, M. aunt Phthisis, Mother headache. |

Father uses alcohol to excess in cases.....2.

Of whom one becomes insane.

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| " | " | in one case brother deaf. Phthisis on mother's side, Mother and Father headache. | | |
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Total. 23.

2nd, concerning defective and neurotic antecedents: --

History appears to be good in cases,.....8.

Insanity and Feeble-mindedness in cases,.....7.

Of these, in one case father insane and intemperate.

" " " " " sister feeble-minded.

" " " " " mother feeble-minded.

" " " " " M. aunt insane, mother headache.

" " " " " M. Aunt Epileptic, cousin feeble-minded.

" " " " " Cerebral softening on father's side.
Mother ~~m~~igraine.

" " " " " M. aunt Phthisis and mother headache.
P. Uncle feeble-minded.

Phthisis, Goitre, etc. (Not already included.)5.

Of these, in one case brother Phthisis.

" " " " " Phthisis "on mother's side"

" " " " " P. G. F. & F. Phthisis.

" " " " " G. mother Phthisis.

" " " " " Phthisis and Goitre "on father's side."

Paralysis, Epilepsy, etc. (not already included)2.

Of these, in one case, Bro, Hydrocephalus, P.G.F. Apoplexy.

" " " " " M. Aunt Epileptic.

Deafness only (in P. G. F. - not stated whether congenital) 1.

Total. 23