

crime, which they are ever ready to engage in. In all situations they are continuously criminal in thought and act ; and inebriates with every opportunity. After a wretched life from the station-house to the jail, or prison, and the low haunts of large cities, always hunted down like beasts of the chase. they become exhausted and suicidal, either dying by their own hands, or going into the insane asylum.

The second class is more prominent as criminals than inebriates. They are cool and calculating, totally destitute of any moral sense ; drink at times very hard, then remain sober under the press of circumstances for a long time. As an illustration : One of this class drank nothing for over two years, although in centres of great temptation, that he might get in a position to accomplish a crime. When this was over, he was very intemperate. Often they are victims of vicious, uncontrollable passions and impulses, over which they are powerless. Epilepsy, insanity, and pauperism are common phases. They are wanting in pity or lasting kindly sentiment. Have little or no natural reason to check them, and never seem to realize the evil which follows their acts, or the suffering they cause others. Turning against their best friends on the slightest pretext, they have no affection for anyone except the most selfish—when this is broken, treat all as enemies.

Prudence is wanting in nearly every one of this class, and is only stimulated and controlled by selfish interest or fear of punishment. In some cases violent passions, such as hatred and revenge, seem to control or be the motive-power in drinking. In the asylum, nothing but force with locks and bars will make any impression. Sometimes they remain sober for a long time and seem to recover, but the criminal cunning of their nature and want of kindly sentiment are always apparent. Often they cloak all their diseased impulses to accomplish some purpose, and exhibit great skill—appearing in the role of reformed men, gathering about them a wide circle of influences and credulous friends, then, all unexpectedly, victimizing them all, and relapsing as both a criminal and drunkard. They are, in many cases, on the borderland of insanity, and both talk and act like the most insane men—are unaccountably vicious and drunken ; these extremes seem to follow each other with startling rapidity. Audacity is one of the most prominent mental traits of this class, and is always of a low grade—usually the blind impulse of a low, unreasoning man. These cases are usually the result of certain conditions of inheritance, from which the recovery is difficult. They are sooner or later crushed out in the march of events.

There is another class not so prominent, but more familiar to managers of inebriate asylums, which combine many of the symptoms of both of these classes. Inheriting the unbalanced organism,