

man" may not be entirely to blame. In the case of the deaf and dumb there is not a great divergence, the superiority going to the Welsh and Italian, and the heaviest burden falling upon the French. Regarding the insane, Ireland is the greatest contributor among all European countries, but they are not at all "inferior" to Canada in that respect, and actually "superior" in the small proportion of idiots. Comparing the order of "demerit" by peoples the British-born show the following.

Blind	Deaf and Dumb	Insane	Idiotic
Germany	Germany	Germany	Germany
Sweden	Russia	Sweden	France
France	France	Norway	Sweden
Italy	Austro-Hungary	Russia	Russia
Russia	Sweden	France	Austro-Hungary
Austro-Hungary	Norway	Austro-Hungary	Norway
Norway	Italy	Italy	Italy

Here the Irish and Canadian alternate in obtaining "first place" in demerit. Of the European-born the order is:

Blind	Deaf and Dumb	Insane	Idiotic
Indian	French	Russian	Irish
French	German	French	French
Irish	Scotch	Irish	Scotch
German	Russian	Scotch	German
Scotch	Irish	English	English
English	Indian	Italian	Indian
Scandinavian	Austro-Hungarian	Scandinavian	Russian
Italian	English	Austro-Hungarian	Austro-Hungarian
Russian	Scandinavian	German	Scandinavian
Austro-Hungarian	Italian	Indian	Italian

Of European nations, therefore, Germany furnished Canada with the greatest proportion of "infirm," and the persons who declare that illiteracy and "infirmity" go hand-in-hand will have, as best they may, to square accounts with Germany in the unenviable first place and Italy in the last. But when transplanted to the soil of Canada the descendants may show signs of change either of improvement or deterioration. Then by *origins* the case stands as follows: