

The difficulties in the way of deportation are great, and in some instances insuperable. To take a common instance: a family consisting of husband, wife and children comes to the country; the wife becomes insane, is in fact a degenerate of the most marked kind. What is to be done in such an instance?

The result is that the whole family, which may be of the most undesirable class, is retained.

To take another instance to illustrate the way our defectives are developed: C. J., female, has been in the country but a few years. Came from England, with a family of six; all but one are insane. This woman, who was admitted to Toronto Asylum recently, married an alcoholic who is old enough to be her father; they have four children. What can be expected of these unfortunate descendants of criminality and degeneracy?

The American Government long ago learned that the weakest part of their medical inspection of immigrants was that pertaining to the detection of mental weaklings. As a matter of fact this work should be done by men who are specially fitted and qualified for the work by experience among the insane. And what would be better still would be to have the inspection made at the port of sailing, rather than in Canada.

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