

months afterwards we learned that he made a determined effort to commit suicide, and although this was not immediately successful he eventually died from the indirect effects of the attempt.

A fourth was a general paretic, far advanced; was no doubt deliberately shipped to Canada to get rid of him.

A fifth, an epileptic and of criminal type, was sent to Canada because of his defects and on account of his being a burden to his relatives. His friends are imbued with the imperialistic ideas and cannot see that this part of the British Empire should not assume what might fairly be regarded as the natural burdens of another portion of it.

A striking feature of the situation is the preponderance of the English defective in our admissions, and the cause of this is the wholesale cleaning out of the slums of English cities. Toronto may be a Mecca for this class, but it is evident that other cities and towns have suffered as well, and the gaol records are significant, although they also reveal the unpleasant fact that the United States are furnishing more than their share of the criminal population. Inspector Armstrong has carefully compiled the Central Prison and Gaol statistics for the year 1907, and finds that according to nationality the order of criminality runs as follows among the foreign born :

<i>Central Prison.</i>	<i>Gaols.</i>
Italy,	Italy,
Norway and Sweden,	Russia,
United States,	Norway and Sweden,
Russia,	United States,
England,	Ireland,
Scotland,	Scotland,
Ireland.	England,
	Germany.

These statistics were based on an analysis of the 4,313 prisoners sent to the common gaols and 289 admitted to