

no trustworthy examinations were made, but from the large number of instances in which the causes were marked "unknown" and "inflammation in babyhood" there is little doubt that the proportion would run in parallel lines to those schools in which more exact reports are recorded. Among those received were the following:

REPORTS FROM SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND, 1907.

Schools for the Blind.	No. of new admissions.	No. blind from ophth. neonatorum.	P. cent.
New York State School for the Blind.....	13	4	30.7
Penn. Institute for the Blind, Overbrook, Pa.	27	9	33.33
Institute for the Blind, Austin, Texas.....	(Not definite—about 10.)		
Perkins Institute and Mass. School for the Blind	43	13	30.00
Colorado School for the Blind, Colorado Springs	7	3	42.8
Western Penn. Inst. for Blind, Pittsburgh, Pa.	28	8	28.57
(Percentage of total number in school, 31.37.)			
Missouri School for the Blind, St. Louis...	19	6	31.57
State Board of Education for the Blind, Hartford, Conn.	8	1	12.50
(Since creation of Board in 1893, 34.74.)			
State School for the Blind, Columbus, Ohio.	61	6	9.83
(Reduction of usual percentage and as low as at any time in last twelve years.)			
Maryland School for the Blind.....	13	4	30.77
(Percentage of total number in school in 1905, 25.50.)			
Ontario Inst. for Blind Brantford, Ont.....	23	5	21.74
(Percentage of total number in school, 24.7)			

The average then of the new admissions in the fall of 1907 to the ten schools in which exact records were kept and representing eight states and the province of Ontario was 25.21 per cent., or one-quarter of the whole number, needlessly blind.

That these are not unusual results is shown by the following report from the Pennsylvania School for the Blind for the past eight years.

Per cent.	Per cent.
1900.....11 out of 25=44	1904.....15 out of 56=25.00
1901.....10 out of 26=35	1905.....21 out of 42=50.00
1902.....9 out of 39=23	1906.....12 out of 38=31.00
1903.....14 out of 50=28	1907.....9 out of 27=33.33