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The six charts of which some explanatory notes are here offered, can be used in schools to demonstrate pictorially that heredity plays a part in our lives which we should take into account in the choice of a mate. " Marry wisely " is the lesson to which they

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•The term "gamete" is applied to the male and female cells which together accomplish the process of fertilization. The male gamete is called the Spermatozoon or Sperm, the female the Oven or egg-cell.

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six chromosomes splits before cell-division in such a way that the two daughter-cells each acquire exactly the same number as the parent cell. The same number of chromosomes (six in the diagram, but 48 in the human body-cell) is acquired, through the same process of accurate cell-division by each body-cell throughout the process of growth and repair. But at an early stage (long before birth) in the development of the human body are set aside the tissues which are destined to give rise to the individual gametes. The Figure G is shown the formation of the sperm cells and ova contain half the been seen from Figure A the sperm cells of ovach individual spentes. Four are shown at the bottom of Figure G. As has been seen from Figure A the sperm cells of each individual few generations, the number would increase to enormous dimensions. The process by which the gametes come to acquire *half* the number of chromosomes of the two sets contained in ordinate (ell-divisions by which the gametes are formed), when the secondary germ-cells have *half* as many chromosomes as are body all other cells of the dot. The sum of the corresponding chromosomes of the two sets contained in ordinate cells of each pair migrates bodyly into one or other secondary the formation of the gametes are formed, with the result that the secondary germ-cells have *half* as many chromosomes as are bossed by all other cells of the body. This called the "reduction division". Its occurrence is limited to the dormation of the gametes and it has a great importance in the understanding of the principle of Mendelian heredity. In the secondary germ-cells haved number of the romation are secondary germ-cells haved number of the romation of the gametes and it has a great importance in the understanding of the principle of Mendelian heredity. In the formation of the gametes and it has a great importance in the understanding of the principle of Mendelian heredity. In the second ary germ-cells haved number of the mometer of the divisions give rise to but

in ordinary cell-division. In Figure H the reduction division is shown for the female gamete or ovum. But here the last two divisions give rise to but one ovum (and not four as occurred in the sperm). The three other products of division are degenerate cells called polar bodies and are lost.

and are lost. The lesson to be learned from these figures is that the individua-lity of the chromosomes, wherein are contained the hereditary factors, is carefully preserved from generation to generation. We are the products of our parents and they of our grand-parents; our chromosomes are derived from our parents' chromo-somes, and ours will, in turn, be handed on to our children. **GHART II** illustrates Mendel's First law. Mendel was an Austrian Monk who experimented in crossing the garden pea. He discovered that certain hereditary characters are handed on from generation to generation according to a simple law. This law is here illustrated by colour in antirrhinums (snap-dragons). In one of the chromo-

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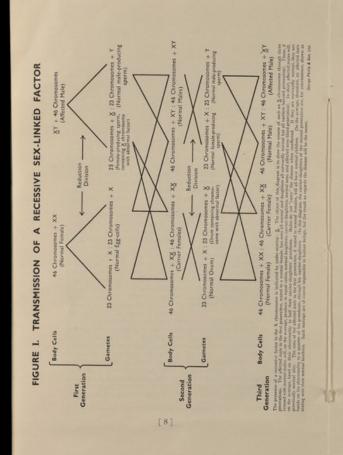
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ance of white by black is common in animals. It has no bea *The domi

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more probable that it will appear in the hybrid than in the pure dominant form. The commonest type of mating, therefore, is between a hybrid exhibiting the dominant abnormality and the normal recessive individual. Among the offspring of such crossings, normal and abnormal individuals are found, on average, in equal

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to one another and resemble the (larger) X chromosomes of the male. When reduction division occurs prior to the formation of the ova, the two X chromosomes separate bodily from one another, as do the 64 autosomes, so that the female germ cells (the ova) all contain 23 somes, therefore, the ova are all alike (monomorphic), while the sperm cells are of two kinds (dimorphic) depending on whether they carry an X or a Y chromosome. The sex of a human being depends on whether the ovam is fertilized by an X-carrying (female-producing) or a Y-carrying (male-producing) sperm. It is the sperm which, in man, determines sex, not the ovam 'the male not the formale. If the ovam (which contains 23 autosomes and an X chromosome) is fertilized by a sperm which contains 23 autosomes and a Y chromo-some, there will result a male, which has the formula 46 autosomes plus at X. But if the ovum is fertilized by a sperm containing 23 autosomes plus an X chromosome, there will result a female which autosomes in the rat (vide Chart III) were carry of the sex chromo-some, there will result a male, which has the formula 46 autosomes plus at X. But if the ovum is fertilized by a sperm containing 23 autosomes plus an X chromosome, there will result a female which autosomes in the rat (vide Chart III) were carried on the X chromo-some, the off and the sex set in the X chromosome is the character would only manifest itself in the female if the contained and recessive abnormality will therefore here more may may and the therefore a spersent in the singly chromosome (the Y chromosome being as it were a dummy because it will appear in males than in females. This is whet here is the X chromosome being as it were a dummy chromosome (the Y chromosome being as it were a dummy chromosome (the Y chromosome being as it were a dummy chromosome (the Y chromosome being as it were a dummy chromosome the X chromosome. The and if the factor is rare to mere the less likely that it will appear on both chromosomes tha cancent.

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To one only. Chart IV* illustrates the type of pedigree which we expect to find in recessive sex-linked inheritance. An affected male I.1 marries a normal female I.2. His daughter II.2 is a carrier who marries a normal husband. We should expect *half* her sons to exhibit her father's abnormality and half her daughters to be carriers. But we must remember that when we are dealing with small numbers the statistical expectations may not be exactly realised. The larger the statistical expectations may not be exactly realised. The harger to coin be tossed a small number of times, say six, the expectation at the statistics are numbered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are the submitted membered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are to take membered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are to take membered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are to take membered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are to take membered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are to take numbered frem above downwards in Roman numerab. The members are to the number of times, say six, the expectation of the scheme numerab. The members are numbered frem in the numerable of the numerable. The numerable of the number of times are numbered frem in the number of times are numbered frem in the number of the

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that it will come down heads or tails with equal frequency may quite likely not be realised. If we toss it 60 times the results will be nearce equality; if 600 times still nearce. Human families are small and are becoming smaller. In Chart IV it will be seen that two of 1.1's grandsons are affected (III.5 and III.8) and one is unaffected (III.2). Three of the grand-daughters are carriers (III.3, 111.6 and III.10). One grand-daughter (III.1) may or may not have been a carrier. We do not know because she had no children. Similar considerations apply to the members of genera-tion IV. Here affected males appear with rather less frequency in the first group of four brothers than we might have expected. Another recessive sex-linked abnormality is haemophilia, a disease characterized by failure of the blood to clot as it normally should. Haemophilics bleed freely and often bleed to death. Their lives may be threatened by cuts or bruises which normal people would regard as trivial. The disease appears in some of the European royal families whose pedigrees have been carefully studied so that very detailed records are available. Like other recessive sex-linked characters it is handed on by affected males, through outwardly normal but carrier daughters, to (on average) a quarter of their grandsons, while (on average) a quarter of their grand-daughters will be carriers. CHART V. POLYDACTYLISM. Peculiarities of the bory

a quarter of their granuscale be carriers. **CHART V. POLYDACTYLISM.** Peculiarities of the bony skeleton such as club foot and cleft palate are not uncommon and often occur among several members of the same family. Among these is the occurrence of supernumerary fingers and toes—a con-dition known as polydactylism. This not only occurs in man ; it is also found among monkeys, horses, dogs, cats, birds and other sumals.

Is also found among monkeys, horses, dogs, cats, birds and other animals. Polydactylism in man may affect one or more of his four limbs. It is sometimes found in association with syndactylism (webbing of the toes or fingers) and other malformations such as hare-lip, split foot, and even total absence of fingers and toes. The type and situation of the abnormality vary much from individual to indi-vidual in the same pedigree. — Chart V shows the incidence of polydactylism in five generations, wherein it is occasionally associated with cleft palate and syndac-tylism. It will be observed, that with the single exception of the three affected people in generation IV (IV.1-3), who are the off-spring of a normal father, every affected person in the pedigree has an affected parent. With this exception, therefore, the pedigree conforms to the hypothesis of Mendelian dominance. The affected person is genetically a hybrid; the normal person is a recessive. Crosses between these result, on average, in equal numbers of affected and on-affected offspring. Allowing for the effects of chance, it

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will be seen that these expectations are roughly realised in the pedigree. The type of inheritance in the pedigree is similar to that in Chart III, wherein is shown the result of mating a black hybrids and white recessive rat, among whose offspring black hybrids and white recessives appear in equal numbers on average (See Chart III, last generation). The following particulars indicate how the affected members of this pedigree show the abnormality :---First Generation I.1. Woman with extra digits. Second Generation

- First Generation I.1. Woman with extra digits. Second Generation II.1. Woman with six toes on each foot. Third Generation. III.3. Man with hare-lip and six toes on each foot. III.7. Man with hare-lip and six toes on each foot. III.8. Woman with six toes on each foot. III.10 and 12. Women with six fingers on each hand. Fourth Generation. IV.1-3. Three persons, sex unknown, nature of deformity not stated. IV.10-12. Three parsons, sex unknown, nature of deformity not stated. IV.24, 27, 30, 33. Three males and one female with extra toes.

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 IV.39 Woman with one extra finger.
 IV.40. Man with six toes on one foot, seven toes on the other, five fingers and a thumb on each hand.
 IV.45. Man with six toes on one foot, seven on the other. Toes webbed. Five fingers and a thumb on each hand.

Fifth Generation.

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Fifth Generation.
V.1. Man with five fingers and a thumb on each hand.
V.2. Man with extra fingers and toes.
V.5. Man with extra toes on both feet,
V.18. Man with hare-lip and cleft palate; web between first and second toes of each foot.
V.22. Man with five fingers and a thumb on each hand; six toes on each foot; webbed toes.
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The "wager" was to be competed for by six young watermen in the first year of their freedom out of their apprenticeship. This race has been rowed on the Thames on the first of August every year since 1715.

race has been rowed on the Thames on the first of August every year since 1715. The Phelps family have been on the Thames since the thirteenth century, and have been boatmen, watermen, lightermen, boat-builders and professional scullers. For generations they married the daughters of watermen and sailors, and unconsciously they followed the tendency of like to marry like, thus passing on the magnificent physique that is their great inheritance. In this century, the Phelps family has produced six winners of the race for the Dogget Coat and Badge and, in the latter part of last century, there. The family has also produced two professional sculling champions of England and one of the world. The family business of boat-building (including in modern times that of motor-launch building) has also been handed on. In two generations there have been four managers of the business who were members of the family. Is the King's Barge-master. This is a very responsible post, because, on State occasions, such as Coronations and the opening of Parliament, he is in charge of the Coron Jewels. Some personal particulars of the individuals in this pedigree are appended.

Generations.

- Waterman. I.1.
- Lighterman's Daughter. 'Honest '' John,
- II.1.
- II.2 II.3. III.2.
- III.3.
- III.4.
- III.5. III.6.
- Honest " John.
 Fred.
 Lighterman's Daughter.
 Henry ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1850.
 "Old " Bossy : Royal Waterman : head of a boat building firm at Putney.
 Lighterman's Daughter.
 William ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1875.
 Charles ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1884 ; boat builder.
 " Young " Bossie ; present head of the family ; Royal Bargemaster; in the Royal Navy for five years ; pilot to Oxford coxwains ; boat and launch builder at Putney.
 Seaman's Daughter.
 Henry Thomas ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1894, 1919 ; Bargemaster to the Fishmonger's Company. IV.1.
- IV.2. IV.4.

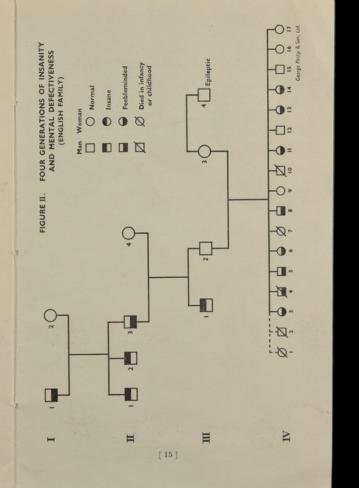
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- IV.5.
- Thomas James ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1922 ; boat and motor launch builder. Richard ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1923. John ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1928. Edward Alexander, "Ted "; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1930 ; Royal Waterman ; pilot to the Cam-bridge coxwains; professional sculler and ex-world champ-nion IV.6. IV.7. V.1.
- Eric Leslie ; winner of the Dogget Coat and Badge, 1933 ; professional sculler ; English professional sculling cham-pion, 1937. V.2.

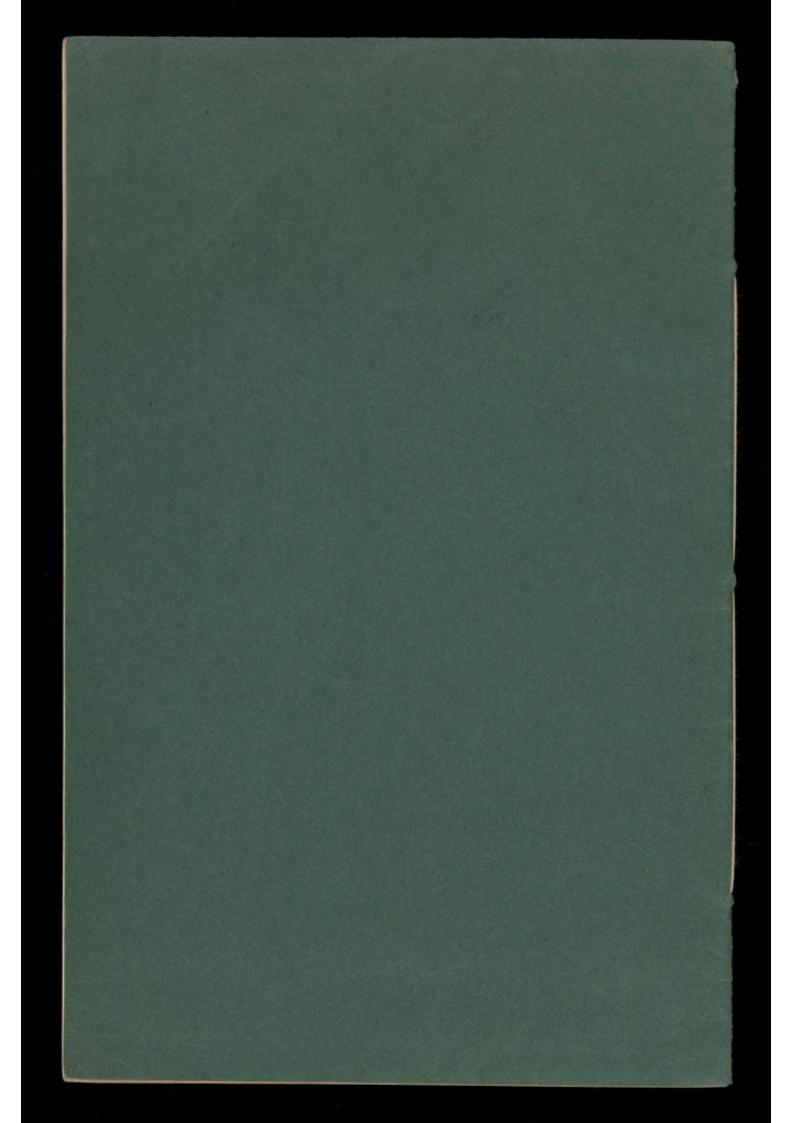
professional sculler; English professional sculling champion, 1937.
FIGURE II. PEDIGREE SHOWING THE INHERITANCE OF FEEBLE-MINDEDNESS. The pedigree shown below has not been repoduced in chart form because it was felt that it might unduly alarm children who had, as relatives, persons who are mentally defective. If, however, teachers should feel that a useful lesson should be learned from it, they could, if they wished, copy out the pedigree on a blackboard. The facts given in this pedigree have been authenticated and confirmed by the Eugenics Society. The significance of the pedigree will be clear from the key. Four generations are shown. The paternal great-grandfather (I.I) was feeble-minded. He had three sons, two of whom became insane (II.1 and 2) of whom one (III.1) became insane and the other (III.2) was outwardly normal, but a heavy " carrier " of defect. This man married a normal woman (III.3) who has a brother who was epileptic. The outcome of their marriage is shown in generation IV Seventeen children were born. Here are particulars:—
IV.1. Daughter; mentally defective and in an institution. IV.4. Son; an imbecile; died at the age of 11.
IV.5. Son; mentally defective and in an institution.
IV.6. Daughter; inentally defective and in an institution.
IV.7. Daughter; died in infancy.
IV.8. Son; an imbecile.
IV.7. Daughter; normal and in service.
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- IV.7. Daughter ; died in infancy.
 IV.8. Son ; an imbecile.
 IV.9. Daughter ; normal and in service.
 IV.10. Son ; died in infancy.
 IV.11. Daughter ; mentally defective and in an institution.
 IV.12. Son ; normal.
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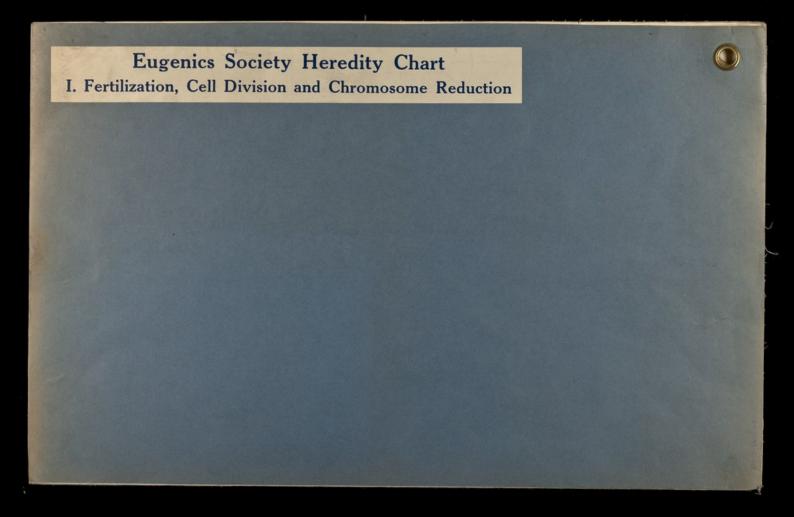
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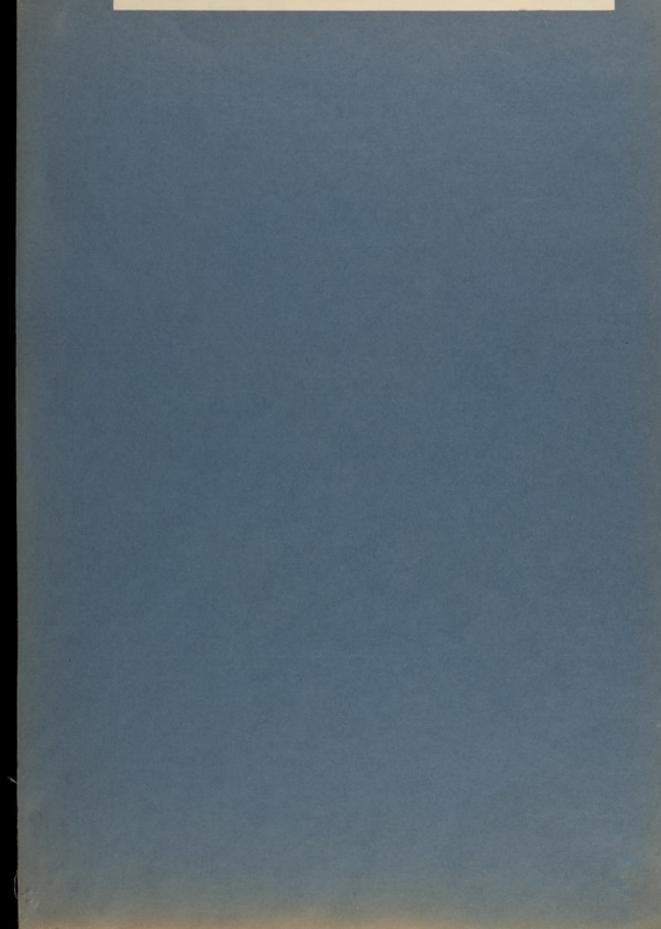
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