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"Lux arde cant"

There are many who view with alarm the ~~progressive~~ ^{disappearance} of ^{these ancient} landmarks by which their conduct ~~is~~ has been traditionally regulated. They ~~feel~~ ^{know} that human nature is prone to evil, and ~~that~~ believe that without the deterrent fear of the hell, ~~of the theologians~~ ^{without reverence for their conscience as a guide} and without ~~the~~ ^{a theological} hope of ~~their~~ heaven, mankind must sink ~~into~~ ^{into} a lower level of ~~morality~~ ^{brutality} and ~~into~~ ^{into} brutality ~~of society~~.

It is worth while to collect and ~~examine~~ ^{discuss} with care & without prejudice, ~~the~~ ^{such social} historical facts ~~that~~ as bear upon may throw light upon the truth of this inference.

The inquiry must be statistical in its character, referring to the acts of a population as a whole, and not regarding the acts of which it is composed, for it is only in this way that we can neutralize & eliminate the effects of individual characters & circumstances, which are far too numerous to be severally allowed for.

Fact of Social stability is found under the most varied surroundings. Travellers in all parts of the world find instances of this

(quote largely)

The relative efficiency of various methods

the efficiency of
evaluation of motives

Commensurability (The most vaunted motives are not the most powerful)

Motives are of the most varied kind, but for all that ^{they} are commensurable

Compensation is awarded for wrongs, libels, breach of promise, ~~to~~ ~~for~~ invasion of private grounds by railways & the like. It is true that the law professes to regard only the absolute ~~loss~~ money loss occasioned by the act but this is a flimsy protection which the jury who decide on the amount of damage pay little heed to. Blood money, fines, international ~~conflict~~ ~~cases~~ have not even that pretext, & practically "the ~~idea~~ ~~is~~ to a great extent, "the jingling of the quinea ~~loosens~~ the hurt that honor feels" It is a phrase more often used than true that such a loss ~~is~~ cannot be atoned for. Every person may at some time of his life, been utterly ~~forlorn~~ ~~miserable~~ and homeless, but new interests arise, & in time his thoughts are distracted & he recovers his old cheerfulness. On seeing a merry party of middle aged persons, it sometimes strikes one as strange that notwithstanding their glee, they are all of them orphans.

Exaltation

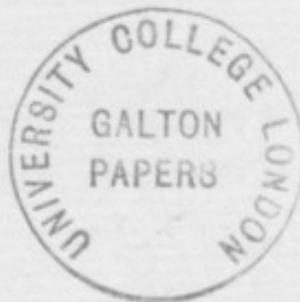
a Individual - religious - ^{falling in} lower - monomania
infatuation

b popular - naive - libelous - wood's fence

Illusions equipt with truth

Causes of Stability

Public morality always in advance ^{of} individual
sense of duty - free will - honor - self respect.



Another ~~common~~ ^{common to different notices} unit of measure, lies in their several
 efficacy, ~~of different notices~~ ^{in producing} a particular
 result. There are an indefinite variety of virtues
 and experience shows the amount of virtue of each
 several sort that is necessary to produce a given
 average result. The owner of a booth at a fair
 to which 1st is the price of admission may attract the same
 number of customers by any one of a great variety of shows
 or entertainments. The attraction force of each of
 these under the circumstances of the time, would be the
 same. By merely taking averages over a longer period,
 the circumstances of the time of each occurrence ~~become~~
 need no longer be considered; and the attraction force of
 each is comparable ~~always~~ in a statistical sense,
 without any ^{other} reservation - Equations of notices.

Origin of notices

a constitutional, derived from nature, as
 love, jealousy, fear, anger, appetites, gallantry, satiety
 fidelity, duty
 to be acquired by

- (1) parental teaching - fear of man taught to
 young wild animals - fish. likes & dislikes -
 prejudices to & chiefly against, reverence, disrespect,
 family faith & traditions
- (2) social example - school national feelings, army
 honor, fashion, class feelings, classiness
- (3) suggestion, persuasion - appeals to emotion

Draft for circular
(never issued)
on Social position of present
Householders & that of their
fathers

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Francis Galton.
42. Rutland Gate.
London. S.W.



the householder.

Comparison between the two.

<p>in -?</p>	<p>What position did he occupy among men of the same profession, trade, or employment?</p>	<p>Compare the position held by the Son among the people of the present day, with the position held by the father among the people of his own generation, when he was of the same age that his Son is now, and say whether, when looked at in that light, it is the father or the son who has occupied the higher social position.</p>			
	<p>as regards property.</p>	<p>Is the difference small, great, or very great?</p>	<p>as regards influence or reputation.</p>	<p>Is the difference small, great, or very great?</p>	
	<p>E</p>	<p>F</p>	<p>G</p>	<p>H</p>	<p>I</p>

margin - all the available

Think all these taken in fold

<p>quite small scale but esteemed.</p>	<p>Son</p>	<p>very great</p>	<p>Son</p>	<p>great</p>
<p>usual wages</p>	<p>equal</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>equal</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>large fortune M.P. large family</p>	<p>father</p>	<p>very great</p>	<p>father</p>	<p>not great</p>

Householder:

Father of the

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What is his profession, trade, or employment?

What position does he occupy among men of the same profession, trade, or employment?

What is his age (as roughly estimated by son)?

What was his profession, trade, or employment?

A

B

C

D

1

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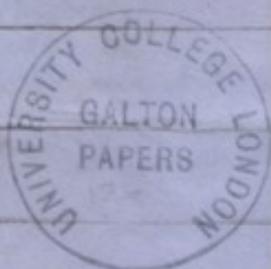
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 examples

95	Examples - Tradesman	very large scale	45	Shopkeeper
96	Mechanic	usual wages	50	mechanic
97	professional	considerable repute	40	Country gentle

Begin close up to top if - ~~vacillating~~
leave no space in margin; - ~~Print boldy.~~

A comparison is sought, between the average social position of householders of all classes, in the present day, and that of their fathers. The favor is requested, of your filling up as many lines of the Schedule overleaf, as your local knowledge permits. You will observe that no names are asked for there. Please do not pick and choose cases, to fit in with any preconceived theory, but think of the residents in your neighbourhood, in the order of their houses, and write down all cases of which you have, or can collect, certain information.

If as is hoped, you can furnish more cases than the printed schedule will hold, please write them on a separate paper, numbering them continuously and heading the columns with A, B, C, D, E, ~~and~~ F, G, H, and I.

Any desirable explanation, ^{for} which ^{there is no room} cannot be in ~~got~~ ~~at~~ the Schedule, should be ~~of~~ written on a ^{another} ~~separate~~ paper, ^{to each explanation,} prefixing the number of the case referred to, and the letter which heads the appropriate column, ~~to each explanation~~; thus: - 9.E.

When you have completed the entries, sign the paper and return it to Francis Galton 42 Rutland Gate London S.W.

Here sign your name and address in full

Name; -
Address; -

Give more room than

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Francis Galton
42 Rutland Gate
London

St. W. /

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preferring the number of the case ^{referred to} and the letter of the appra.

Father of the present Householder

His social position

This may be better than the one he was in when he was young.

Which is the better position in the Social Scale, that of the Son now, or that of the father, when about the same age & among his own contemporaries - ?

a little better, equal better, or very much better. (Give explanation, if desirable, in a foot note)

D

E

F

Which position in the social scale do you consider to have been the higher, that of the Son now among his own generation or that of the father formerly, among his contemporaries and when the father was of about the same age that this son is now.

higher in relative wealth

higher in social standing relative social rank

higher a little more on the whole

a small Shopkeeper

Son

much better

Mechanic

equal

equal

Country Gentleman

Father

little better

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 Francis Galton, 42 Rutland Gate, London, W.

Here ~~insert~~ ^{sign} your name and address in full.

Name -

Address -



Any desirable explanations may be ^{written in} a separate ~~column~~ ^{column} - ~~write~~ ^{write} the column, to each explanation - Thus; 104 - C.

Present Householder

	His social position	his age, (roughly estimated)
A	B	C
1		
2		
3		
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7		
8		
9		
10		

Examples

101	Tradesman on a large scale	50
102	Mechanic at at ^{at} actual wages	45
103	Professional, ^{in his} rising career.	45