Report of the Anthropometric Committee, consisting of Mr. F. Galton, Dr. Beddoe, Mr. Brabrook (Secretary and Reporter), Sir G. Campbell, Dr. Farr, Mr. F. P. Fellows, Major-General Pitt-Rivers, Mr. J. Park Harrison, Mr. James Heywood, Mr. P. Hallett, Professor Leone Levi, Dr. F. A. Mahomed, Dr. Muirhead, Sir Rawson Rawson, Mr. Charles Roberts, and the late Professor Rolleston.

[PLATES III. AND IV.]

1.—The Committee were first appointed in 1875, and instructed to continue the collection of observations on the systematic examination of heights, weights, &c., of human beings in the British Empire, and the publication of photographs of the typical races of the empire. It may be convenient to recapitulate briefly what the Committee have done in previous years.

2.—In the first year they prepared schedules and instructions and had them printed, and purchased a small outfit of instruments to send to places where measurements were to be made. The co-operation of inspectors of the army, of the navy, of factories, and of panper schools

was secured.

3.—In the second year the Committee obtained a series of measurements of the 2nd Royal Surrey Militia from Colonel Lane Fox (now General Pitt-Rivers) and circulated copies of his report as a model for other observers. They further revised the instructions, prepared a book of lithographed patterns of hair colours, added to the collections of instruments for lending, and initiated the work of collecting typical photographs.

4.—In the third year the collection of statistics was actively proceeded with, and returns were obtained of a few well-defined classes, as boys in Westminster school, letter-sorters in the Post Office, criminals, &c. Tables were prepared from these, and a Report by Mr. Galton on the returns of criminals was printed and circulated. Progress was made in

the collection of photographs.

5.—In the fourth year the Committee continued the collection and tabulation of observations. They had by that time obtained statistics of about 12,000 individuals, which were sufficiently complete to justify the publication of tables of average height and weight, and of the ratio of weight to height. They had been furnished by the Warden of Christ's Hospital with the records in his possession which enabled Sir Rawson Rawson, one of the members, to construct a series of tables, serving as a model for similar observations. Mr. Roberts prepared for the Committee a series of tables and charts, showing the relation of height and weight in the several classes of the English population, as compared with the observations of Americans and Belgians published by Drs. Bowditch, Baxter, and Quetelet respectively.

6.—In the fifth year the Committee were able to double the number of observations, and to reduce them to order by adopting a scheme of classification. They selected from the returns those which related to a standard class living under the most favourable conditions with respect to fresh air, exercise, and wholesome and sufficient food, and prepared a series of tables relating to that class. They also digested the returns relating to the colour of hair and eyes in the standard class, and summarised the statistics of height and weight from persons of country

1881.

origin and town origin respectively. They availed themselves of the observations made during several years at Marlborough College to show

the usefulness of such systematic records.

7.—In the present year, the sixth of their existence, the Committee have not carried on operations under favourable circumstances. The returns obtained in relation to the several classes are now of sufficient number to make it desirable to subject them to scientific arrangement by skilled computers, but the small fund at the disposal of the Committee (301.) has not been sufficient to enable this to be done completely.

8.—The same cause has prevented the incurring any expense in grants towards actual observations, which, as they involve skill and care and time, ought, in many cases, to be paid for. The whole of the returns collected during the year have been due to obliging voluntary assistance.

9.—The Committee think it an important part of their duties to show how observations should be made, and how they should be used when obtained. From this point of view, they are inclined to hope that their

labours have been very successful.

10.—It is confidently anticipated that many of the persons who have been furnished with the forms and instructions adopted by the Committee, and to whom these reports are accessible, will proceed with the collection and recording of observations on the definite system laid down, and that, by this means, valuable results will be obtained and made available even after the Committee have ceased operations.

11.—This remark applies particularly to the ease of the public and other schools and institutions which have furnished information to the Committee, as recorded in the present and previous reports. In each of these it is hoped that the practice of keeping an anthropometric record will be

continued.

12.—On page 3 is a statement of the additional returns which have

been furnished to the Committee during the present year.

13.—The special thanks of the Committee are due to the contributors, mentioned in the list, whose zealous assistance in a matter necessarily involving a great expenditure of time and trouble deserves most hearty acknowledgment.

14.—Adding these returns to those referred to in the previous reports, the aggregate number of original observations furnished to the Committee

is as follows :-

				Number of o	bservations		
Year	Sex	Of birth- place and origin	Of age, height, and weight	Of colour of hair and eyes	Of girth of chest	Of strength of arm	Of eyesight
1879 1880 1881 {	Male Male Male Female	5,254 3,206 796 368	11,745 11,956 5,877 403	4,011 3,511 867 403	6,321 5,766 789 403	2,131 1,686 1,521 338	1,368 1,260 315 13
Tota	l , .	9,624	29,981	8,792	13,279	5,676	2,956

15.—Upon the main branch of the inquiry, therefore, that of the relation of height and weight to age, the Committee have collected, in round numbers, 30,000 original observations. To these have to be added the 50,000 or more observations independently collected by Mr. Charles Roberts, one of the most active members of the Committee.

List of Observations collected during the Year 1881.

	Eyesight	101	1 1 3 1 1	10 81 0	100 26 	328
	Strength of Arm	100	73 	28 6 6 55	100	1859
vations	Girth of Chest	100	35 30 265 1	255 245 6 6 75	100	1192
Number of Observations	Colour of Hair and Eyes	100	35 30 265	245 245 6 6 81 70	100 26 13 13	1270
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	By whom furnished	Mr. F. Greenwood	Mrs. Bovell Sturge, M.D Miss Martin Miss Eaton Miss Blackmore Dr. Waller Lewis	Dr. Knight Major Greenall. Dr. Barrow Dr. Evan Jones. Major Massy Dr. Taylor	Mr. J. Marsland Dr. Beddoe "	
	Sources of Information	1. Medical Students (Leeds) 2. St. Stanislaus College (Ireland) . 3. York Quaker School	Ladies' Schools. 5. North London College 6. Orme Girls' School, New-) castle, Stafford 7. Ladies' College, Guernsey . 8. Roan School, Greenwich 9. Letter-sorters, &c,	Rife Volunteers. Cumberland Lancashire Lancashire Glamorgan (further instalment) Militia (West Norfolk) Industrial Classes (Cardiff)	Industrial Schools. 16. Anerley (North London Pauper Schl. 17. Bristol	

Table A.—Showing the number of observations of Height and Weight collected by the Committee at each age in the several classes, including some of the returns placed at its disposal by Dr. Beddoe and Mr. Chas. Roberts.

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16.—Mr. Roberts has rendered his colleagues very essential help by the preparation of the diagrams and a great number of the elaborate tables in the former Reports of the Committee, and has contributed to the present Report the paper on the general result of the observations, which is given in the Appendix.

17.—Mr. Roberts's Tables (I.-IV.) show the general result of the observations collected by the Committee as to (1) height, (2) weight, (3)

chest-girth, (4) strength.

18.—The height of 38,953 persons is recorded in Table I., the horizontal black lines in which indicate the curve of growth formed by the 'mean' height at each age, which is 3 feet 5 inches at the age of 5, and

becomes 5 feet 8 inches at the age of 50.

19.—The weight (with clothes, for which about 7 lbs. may be allowed) of 26,560 persons is recorded in Table II. The horizontal black lines in this Table indicate the curve of increase in weight formed by the 'mean' weight at each age, which is 4 st. 9 lbs. at the age of 10, and becomes 11 st. $8\frac{1}{9}$ lbs. at the age of 70.

20.—The chest-girth of 17,883 persons is recorded in Table III., the horizontal black lines in which indicate the curve of increase formed by the 'mean' chest-girth at each age, which is 26 inches at the age of 10,

and becomes $36\frac{1}{2}$ inches at the age of 40.

21.—The strength, as indicated by the drawing power of the arm, in 5,039 persons is recorded in Table IV., the horizontal black lines in which indicate the curve formed by the variations of the 'mean' drawing power at the successive ages, rising from 35 lbs. at age 11 to 80 lbs. at

ages 25-30, and falling again to 70 lbs. at the age of 50.

22.—In using Mr. Roberts's tables, however, it is important to bear in mind that he employs the term 'mean' not in the ordinary sense of an arithmetical mean or average, but as representing 'the value at which the largest number of observations occur,' or that of 'greatest frequency.' The arithmetical average is found by him in adults to exceed the 'mean' in general by about half an inch.

23.—In Tables V. and VI. Mr. Roberts is able to show the results of a comparison as to the 'average' height and weight of the several classes of the population, distinguished as (1), the professional classes, including town and country; (2), the commercial classes in towns; (3),

the labouring classes in the country; (4), the artisans in towns.

24.—Table V. relates to height, which is taken without shoes. The relative position of the four classes stands in the order stated; classes 1 and 2 being taller, and classes 3 and 4 shorter, than the general population. This relation is maintained throughout, and the table affords material for study as to the comparative effects of occupation and town

and country life on growth.

25.—Table VI. relates to weight, which is taken with clothes. The relative position of the four classes still stands nearly in the same order, class 1 being heavier and class 4 lighter than the general population, but class 3 very nearly coincides with the general average, and is in general superior in weight to class 2. In other words, the rural occupation of the country labourer gives him the advantage in weight over the town tradesman, though the latter has the advantage in height.

26.—Class V. of the classification adopted by the Committee in the Report for 1880—the industrial workers or sedentary trades in towns; and Class VI., the specially-selected occupations, have not furnished

returns in sufficient number to be available for comparison.

27.—The chairman of the Committee, Mr. Francis Galton, contributes to the Appendix to this Report a paper on the range in height, weight, and strength of the different classes at every age. He measures the range, not between the maximum and minimum values recorded, which afford no safe basis for comparison, but through an extension of the principle by which the so-called 'probable error' is ascertained. Thus, he first arranges the cases in the order of their magnitude, then he cuts off a certain fractional portion of them from either end of the series, and measures the difference between the maximum and minimum of the intermediate group. The ranges given are between the upper and the lower tenths and between the upper and the lower fourths, the value of the latter range being identical with twice the 'probable error.'

28.—Inspector-General Lawson contributes to the Appendix to this Report a valuable paper giving the results of the earlier portion of the

observations furnished to the Committee on eyesight.

29.—The total number of observations of eyesight collected by the Committee has been 2,956; many of which, as will be seen by Dr. Lawson's paper, are not considered trustworthy. Sufficient, however, have now been derived from various independent sources to form a fair average.

30.—This inquiry as to eyesight has led the Committee to consider the very important question of colour-blindness, which has been ascertained in Germany and America to affect 1 in 25 of the male population, and which probably exists in this country to a greater extent than is

suspected by most people.

31.—To facilitate the collection of statistics relating to colonr-blindness, the Committee accepted an offer which a member, Mr. Roberts, was enabled by the kindness of the Norwegian professor, Daae, to make, that he should prepare for publication an English edition of that professor's tests for colour-blindness, as published in Berlin; also a description of Professor Holmgren's method, with a revised series of the eyesight

tests and popular instructions of his own.

32.—This work has been published in a compact form,¹ and its application might even be made a parlour pastime, since it requires no special qualification in the observer, who may indeed be a colour-blind person himself. The Committee hope that this little book may be widely circulated and freely used. This book of tests is in use at Marlborough College, and Mr. Roberts contributes to the Appendix of this report an analysis of the observations made on the whole of the boys and masters, 600 in number, at present in the College, by the Rev. T. A. Preston, a gentleman to whom the Committee are indebted for many valuable contributions to their store of anthropometric observations.

33.—Mr. Roberts has remarked on this important subject that 'some unnecessary alarm will be felt by travellers if they are led to believe that colour-blindness is as prevalent among engine-drivers as other men of their own class, and that one person in every twenty-five is subject to this defect. As a matter of fact, the severer forms of colour-blindness are quickly eliminated from the railway services, either by the conscious inability of the men to distinguish the signals to which they are daily and almost hourly subjected, or by the minor accidents they fall into, which leads their employers to dismiss them as careless, incompetent, or intemperate servants. It is, however, most desirable that this clumsy and

¹ The Detection of Colour-blindness and Imperfect Eyesight. By Mr. Charles oberts, F.R.C.S. Published, at 5s., by Mr. Bogue, 3 St. Martin's Place, W.C.

dangerous process of elimination should be superseded by a searching, trustworthy method of testing the colour-sense, especially in fresh candidates for employment on railways and steam-vessels, and it is a disgrace to our country—which was the first to discover and investigate the subject of colour-blindness and to point out its dangers-that it should be the last to recognise its practical importance. But the subject has a much wider bearing than the regulation of traffic by sea and land. many arts and occupations can only be carried on successfully by persons who possess a normal colour-sense, the testing of the eyesight, whether for colours or objects, should take place in childhood, and before a youth has wasted much time in acquiring technical knowledge which his faulty sight precludes him from using to the same advantage as his more fortunate competitors. Every parent should be cognisant of the condition of the colour-sense of his children, in order that he may provide the colourblind ones with suitable occupations. Fortunately the art of testing the colour-sense is a very simple one, and is quite within the capacity of a sehoolmaster or parent of ordinary intelligence, as it requires neither a knowledge of the theory of colour-blindness (which, indeed, is not yet agreed on by specialists) nor of medicine or surgery.'

34.—Upon the portion of the reference to them which relates to the 'publication of photographs of the typical races of the Empire,' the Committee have not at present anything to add to previous reports. It was intended that a portion of the grant made to the Committee should be applied towards this branch of their work, but the more urgent needs of the general anthropometric work have absorbed the whole of it. Dr. Beddoe, however, has presented a set of photographs of pure Highlanders, and a collection of Irish types has been made by Mr. Park

Harrison.

35.—The total expenditure of the Committee during their six years' operations has been only 243l. 15s., or about 40l. a year. This has ineluded the preparing, printing, and circulating of many thousands of papers of instructions, forms of returns, cards and other publications, and of a costly series of colour-types; besides the judicious payment of small sums, in a few cases, as remuneration to the observers, where their position in life (as regimental sergeants &c.) rendered it desirable; the purchase of photographs and negatives of photographs and of several sets of instruments for making measurements, and the cost of clerical labour in abstracting the returns. The Committee venture to think that they have not improvidently administered the fund at its disposal.

36.—The Committee could, indeed, not have accomplished the work at so small a cost but for the obliging exertions of some of the members, notably Sir Rawson W. Rawson and Mr. Roberts. They have also to acknowledge the services of several gentlemen, not members of the Association, who have kindly consented to act as advisers to the Committee, viz.:—Dr. Bain, Dr. Balfour, Inspector-General Lawson, Dr. Waller

Lewis, and Dr. Ogle.

37.—It remains to note briefly the work still to be done by the Com-

mittee in the event of their reappointment.

38.—First, it is exceedingly desirable that more complete details should be obtained with regard to the earlier ages from birth to 10 years, a period in which the rate of growth and development is probably more affected by external circumstances than in after-life, and which therefore lends itself more readily to classification.

39.—Secondly, it is of great importance to proceed with the inquiry into anthropometric facts relating to females, which has been commenced with much zeal by the mistresses of some of the high schools for girls, and which by their example may be extended among the various classes of girls' schools throughout the kingdom.

40.—Thirdly, a larger number of statistics are required of individuals belonging to class V.—town industrial workers—to form an average for

comparison with the other classes.

41.—Fourthly, further observations should be obtained on the colour

sense and on eyesight.

42.—Fifthly, the materials already existing should be more completely worked out, especially those referring to the colour of hair and eyes, as well as the physical proportions of the population in different geographical districts, or districts inhabited by persons of different racial origin.

43.—Lastly, the encouragement in public and private schools and establishments of systematic weighing and measuring on fixed principles

should be continued.

44.—The Committee have, in conclusion, to state that the assistantsecretary, Mr. J. Henry Young, has performed his duties with marked intelligence and zeal.

APPENDIX.

Mr. C. Roberts, who has prepared the Tables from I. to VII. for the Committee, has contributed the following explanations and remarks:—

Tables I. (height), II. (weight), III. (chest-girth), and IV. (strength), are intended to show the chief physical characters of the British race: hence the whole number of observations are given to show the range or variation of the stature, weight, &c., at each age, and the relative number of individuals at each height, weight, &c.; the mean height, chest-girth, weight, and strength being indicated by the horizontal lines crossing the columns of figures where the largest number of observations occur.

Tables V. and VI. show the average stature and weight of different classes of the nation,—classes which have been differentiated by social or

sanitary surroundings and peculiar occupations.

It is necessary to call attention to the difference between the average and the mean as employed in these tables. An average is obtained by dividing the sum of the values observed by the number of observations, while the mean is the value at which the largest number of observations occur ('the value of greatest frequency.') An average is influenced by exceptional cases, but a mean disregards exceptional cases and is entirely dependent on the predominating numbers; hence I have employed the mean to distinguish the racial type, and the average the variations to which the race is subject by the modifying influences of local and exceptional causes. To determine the racial type of a nation by means of an average it would be necessary to have all classes of the community represented in their due proportions; but the unequal distribution of occupations renders this impossible, unless a general census were taken. Even within narrow limits it is almost impossible to obtain observations of all the individuals of a class, as the taller and better-developed members readily submit to measurement, while the shorter and imperfectly-developed evade examination, and the sick and deformed are passed over altogether. On the other hand, the determination of the racial type by the mean is free from these sources of error, as we disregard both the illdeveloped and the over-developed individuals, and depend entirely on those which represent the medium development of the class or nation. Table VII., giving the stature of adult men of different classes of the British population shows the difference between the average and the mean. In those classes, where all the individuals have been accessible and no selection has been attempted, the average and the mean stature are almost identical; but in the case of the recruits for the army, where all the men below a certain standard are excluded, the average is an inch higher than the mean stature. The average in this case implies that recruits are of the same type as the agricultural classes (Class III.), but the mean shows that they are really of the type of the town artisan class (Class IV.) from which we know they are chiefly drawn. This also explains why the average stature of the general population (Table V.) is half an inch higher than the mean stature (Table I.)

The tables show some new and interesting facts in connection with the physical development of the body at different periods of life. Below the age of ten years the observations are very imperfect, but from that age up to sixty years they are very numerous, and fairly representative of all classes of the population.

The accompanying chart (Pl. III.) shows graphically the variations in the mean height, chest-girth, weight, and strength of the general population with advancing age, and the relation of these qualities to each other; and

the following figures show their actual value:-

Relative Increase in the Size, Weight, and Strength of the Body from 5 to 70 years of age.

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Age	Height	Girth	Weight	Strength (drawing power)
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14	2.5	1.0	7.5	2.5
15	2.0	1.0	10.0	5.0
16	2.0	2.0	15.0	7.5
17	1.5	2.0	17.5	7.5
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1. After the age of 10 years the greatest increase in stature takes place at 13 and 14; in chest-girth at 16 and 17; in weight at 15, 16, and 17; and in strength at 15, 16, 17, and 18 years. The chest-girth and the strength have a more direct relation to the weight than to the stature.

2. The stature increases rapidly to the age of 21, after which there is a very slow, but decided increase, in all classes (see Table V.), up to the age of 70 years.

3. The weight increases rapidly up to the age of 19, after which it continues to increase slowly but uniformly up to the age of 70 years.

4. The chest-girth increases at a rate similar to that of the weight up

to the age of 50 years (the limit of the Committee's observations).

5. The strength increases rapidly and at a rate similar to that of the weight up to the age of 19, more slowly and regularly up to 30, after which it declines at an increasing rate to the age of 60 years.

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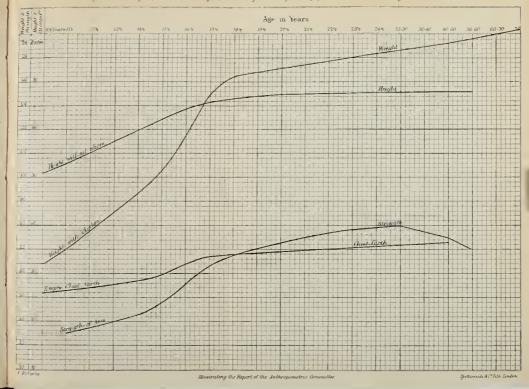
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The increase of stature throughout life as shown by Tables I. and V. is a new and unexpected fact, but it is obviously due to the survival of the taller and better developed members of the population, and the elimination by disease or death of the smaller and feebler ones. Quetelet has stated that man attains his maximum height at the age of 30 years and maintains it up to 50 years, after which it begins to recede, and at 90 it has lost three inches. This may be true of individuals if measured from year to year, but it does not appear to be true of the population in the aggregate. The loss of stature resulting from the degeneration and loss of tissues, and the stooping position assumed by old people, is more than counterbalanced by the survival of a greater number of individuals who are above the average in height. The uniform increase in the weight and

chest-girth throughout adult life also confirms this view.

The Tables do not show distinctly at what period man attains his full stature, and much difference of opinion exists on this subject. French writers (Barnard, Allaire, &c.) maintain that growth in height goes on until the 32nd or 35th year, and Dr. Baxter arrives at the same conclusion from the statistics of the United States Army; while most English writers (Danson, Aitken, Roberts, &c.) regard the 25th as the year of mature growth, and Dr. Beddoe places it as early at the 23rd year, admitting, however, that a slight increase may take place after this age. The difference of opinion on this subject arises, no doubt, from the faulty method of relying on the measurements of many different individuals, instead of measuring the same individuals from year to year until growth ceases. The elimination of the weak and ill-developed by death, the difficulty of following the same class, and all the members of the class, through successive years, and the selection of special classes (i.e. recruits. whose ages are never certain), invalidate all conclusions as to the period of maturity, drawn from statistics of measurements of many different persons; but, allowing for these sources of error and judging by the run of the curves formed by the means and averages in Tables I. and V., it is probable that little actual growth takes place after the age of 21, and that it entirely ceases by the 25th year. It is evident, moreover, from Table V., that the full stature is attained earlier in the well-fed and most favoured class (Class I.) than in the ill-fed and least favoured classes of the community.

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Mean Height	41.0	43.0	45.0	47.0	49.0	51.0	53.0	55.0	57.5	60.0	62.0	64.0	
Increase	_	2.00	2.00	2:00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.50	2.50	2.00	2.00	

of the General Population of Great Britain. black lines show the mean stature for each age.

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	65•5	66.5	67.0	67.25	67.5	67.5	67.5	67.5	67.5	67.5	67.5	68.0	68.0	_	_
	1.50	1.00	•50	•25	•25	-	-	-	_	-	-	•50	-	-	

TABLE II.—Showing the Weight (with clothes) of the general population of Great Britain. Whole number of observations. The horizontal black lines show the mean weight at each age.

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	20-60	2 27 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	4000444		157.5
D	40-20	110 110 110 110 110 110 110 110			155.0
	30-40	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	201 110 201 201 201 201 201 201 201	-	152.5
	25-30	11.00 11.00	117 118 117 117 117 117 117 117 117 117		151-2
	-5-7-	11 12 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	0 4 88 8 4 B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B		520 150·0 1·3
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lıday	- 51-		25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25.		1343
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	12-			25 58 1126 129 129 13 13 13 13	77.5
	11-			1104 104 111 120 104 111 111 120 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 13	578
	10-	1111111111111		111 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	303
Weight	lbs.	2.55 - 2.	135- 120- 110- 100- 100-	95- 90- 85- 85- 85- 70- 60- 60- 55- 50- 70- 85- 85- 86- 87- 87- 87- 87- 87- 87- 87- 87- 87- 87	Total Mean Increase .

TABLE III,—Showing the empty CHEST-GIRTH of the General Population of Great Britain. Whole Number of Observations. The horizontal black lines show the mean Chest-girth at each age.

Centi-	mètres	111.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.	1
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	25-30 30-4	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	•25
	24-	1	-25
	23-	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
	-53-		-25
	21-		-2.5
)	-02	101 101 102 102 103 103 104 105 105 105 105 105 105 105 105 105 105	•25
Age last Birthday	19-	11 1 1 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	-50
ge last	18-	25 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	09.
A	17-	2073 2073	2.00
	16-	1 1 1 8 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	2.00
	15-	25.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50	1.00
	14-		1.00
	13-	27.30 6 6 6 6 6 7.30 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	-50
	12-	106 62 62 62 62 63 63 64 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65	-20
	11-	1	02.
	10-	25. 22 2. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25	1
Cheşt-girth	ın Inches	45 to 46 44- 44- 48- 48- 48- 49- 39- 36- 37- 36- 37- 36- 37- 37- 38- 37- 38- 38- 38- 38- 28- 28- 28- 28- 28- 28- 28- 2	Increase .

TABLE IV.—Showing the Strength (drawing power) of the General Population of Great Britain. Whole number of Observations. The horizontal black lines show the mean Strength at each age

Kilo-	grammes	2000	5,039	1	1	
	40-50 50-60	1	34	20.0	1	
	محصنانا ا		144	75.0		
	30-40		534	2.2.2		
	25-30		578	0.08	2.5	taken.
	24-	 	159	77.5	1	ength are
Age last Birthday	23-	1	192	77.5	1	Diagram on next page showing the manner in which observations relating to strength are taken
	-55-		202	77.5	2.2	ous relati
day	-12	1	213	75.0	2.5	servati
Age last Birthday	20-	 	259	72.5	2.5	which of
Age la	19-		382	20.0	2.5	anner in
	18-	 	415	67.5	9.0	ng the m
	17-	1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2	388	62.5	7.5	ige showi
	16-		438	55.0	7.5	next pa
	15-	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	531	47.5	2.0	agram on
	14-	 	375	42.5	2.5	NoTE See Di
	507		119	40.0	2.5	Nor
	12-	 	49	37.5	2.2	
	7		27	35-0	1	
Drawing Strength.	lbs.	155-160 145- 146- 146- 136- 136- 136- 136- 115- 116- 116- 116- 116- 116- 116- 11	Total	Mean Strength	Increase .	

The following is a copy of the drawing and instructions issued by the Committee to observers in collecting statistics of strength:—-



The above figure represents the position in which the strength of arm should be tested. The right or left arm, whichever is the stronger, should be used to draw, and the other to resist. The resisting arm must be free, and extended straight from the side, as nearly as possible in the line of the shoulders, and the hand of the other arm brought back towards the ear, as an archer uses a bow.

Table V.—Showing the average Stature (without shoes) of different classes of the Population of Great Britain.

Age last Birth	Town	Genera opulati Il Class and C	ion. ses.		Class I rofessio Classes and C	nal s.	1	Class I ommero Classes Towns	cial s.	L	Class II abourin Classes Countr	ng L		Class IV Artisan Towns	S
day	No. Obs.	Average Height, Inches	Increase, Inches	No. Obs.	Average Height. Inches	Increase, Inches	No. Obs.	Average Height, Inches	Increase.	No. Obs.	Average Height. Inches	Increase.	No. Obs.	Average Height. Inches	Increase, Inches
Birth	ı] —	-	_	_	_	_	-	_	-				100	19.34	
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2-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	—		_	-
3-	-	-	-	_	-	—	-	_	-	-	-	-		-	
4-	_	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	21	38.45	-
5-	_	_	j —	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	37	41.09	2.64
6-	-	_	-	_	-	_		10.10	-	_	-		40	43.28	2.19
8-			_] -	_	3	46.16			47.00		53	45.71	2.43
9-							16 81	47·31 50·18	2.87	268 418	49.06	0.00	176 358	48.94	1.35
10-	1551	51.84		101	53.69		331	52.04	1.86	783	50.93	2·03 1·87	336	50.72	1.78
11-	1766	53.50	1.66	242	55.23	1.54	687	53.76	1.72	597	52.32	1.39	240	52.68	1.96
12-	1981	54.99	1.49	490	57.29	2.06	902	55.29	1.53	395	53.67	1.35	194	53.72	1.04
13-	2743	56.91	1.92	869	59.08	1.79	S57	57.43	2.14	403	55.31	1.64	614	55.81	2.09
14-	3428	59.33	2.42	966	61.29	2.21	800	59.47	2.04	9	57.94	2.63	1653	58.61	2.80
15-	3507	62.24	2.91	974	63.61	2.32	544	62.19	2.72	515	61.82	3.88	1465	61.36	2.75
16-	2780	64.31	2.07	1102	66.23	2.62	110	64.55	2.36	177	63.62	1 80	1391	62.85	1.49
17-	2745	66.24	1.93	1852	67.81	1.58	107	66.59	2.04	75	65.87	2.25	711	64.70	1.85
18-	2305	66.96	•73	1724	68.26	•45	62	67.44	·85	148	66.53	•66	371	65.60	•90
19-	1435	67.29	.33	951	68.58	•32	63	67.55	•11	143	66.87	•34	277	66•17	•57
20-	880	67.52	•23	461	69.08		61	67.58	•03	183	66.93	.06	175	66.20	•33
21-	757	67.63	.11	364	68.70	.12	51	67.79	•21	177	67.15	•22	165	66.55	.05
23-	558 592	67.68	.05	227	68.94	-02	53 59	67·82 67·42	.03	169	67.35	•20	109	66.60	*05
24-	517	67.73	-05	114 57	68·73	·03	62	68.09	-27	274 258	67·38	•03 •09	145 140	66·40 66·55	_
25-	\	0, 13	00	91	00 02	00	, 47	67.93		218	67.52	.05	92	66.40	
26-							47	68.07		194	67.46	_	74	66.46	
27-	-1794	67.80	.07	107	69.14	•32	27	68.13	.04	162	67.76	.21	66	66.67	.07
28-							33	67.65		208	67.31	_	59	66•65	_
29-)						26	67.96	_	163	67.54	_	53	66.82	.15
30-35	1886	68.00	-20	52	69-61	.97	85	67.70	_	745	67.59	_	180	66.65	
35-40)	00 00	20	92	05.01	•37	82	68.07	_	631	67.62		111	67.0s	•26
40-50			-	46	69.38	- 1	79	68.09	-	943	67.56	-	S0	66.80	-
50-60	198	67.92	-	13	69.50		16	67.69	_	147	68.06	•30	22	66.45	-
60-70	44		-	5	69.10	_	3	66.16		34	67.88	-	2	66.50	
70-	12	69-22	_	_	_	-	1	68.50	_ i	11	69.95	-	-	_	
Total Obs.	31627	_	_	10717	_	_	5195	_	_	8448		-	9410	-	_

Table VI.—Showing the average Weight (including clothes) of different classes of the Population of Great Britain.

Age last	Po Al	eneral pulatio l Classe and Co	n. es.	Pr	Class I. ofession Classes, and Co		Co	lass II. mmerci Classes. Towns		La C	lass 11I bouring classes. ountry		A	lass IV. rtisans Cowns	
Birth-day	No. Obs.	Average Weight. Lks.	Increase. Lbs.	No. Obs.	Average Weight, Lbs.	Increase. Lbs.	No. Obs.	Average Weight. Lbs.	Inerease. Lbs.	No. Obs.	Average Weight. Lbs.	Increase. Lbs.	No. Obs.	Average Weight. Lus.	Increase. Lbs.
Birth	_		-	_		_	-	_	-				100	7:5	-
1-	_	_		-					—	-	_	_	_	_	-
2-		_		_	_	_	_	-	-		_	<u> </u>	_	_	_
3-	-	_	_	—		_	<u> </u>	—	-	_			_	_	
4-		_	_	_	-	_		_		<u> </u>			_	_	_
5-	_			_		_		-	-	_				-	
6-		-		-	_		-	_	-	_	_			_	
7-				-		-		_	_	238	55.3		115	53.7	_
8-	_	_		_	i —		81	60.3	_	345	61.2	5.9	296	58.3	4.6
10-	1464	67.5		92	74.0		370	65.2	4.9	721	67.0	5.8	281	64.0	5.7
11-	1599	72 0	4.2	185	78.7	4.7	686	68.0	2.8	553	72.2	5.2	175	69.0	5.0
12-	1786	76.7	4.7	369	84.9	6.2	905	73.2	5.2	366	75.9	3.7	146	73.0	4.0
13-	2443	82.6	5.9	621	91.6	6.7	854	80.1	6.9	328	79.7	3.8	640	79.0	6.0
14-	2952	92.0	9.4	748	102.2	10.6	799	89.5	9.4	9	89.2	9.5	1396	87.3	8.3
15-	3118	102.7	10.7	652	114.3	12.1	344	99•4	9.9	676	100.6	11.4	1446	96.4	9.1
16-	2235	119.0	16.3	834	129.5	15.2	55	117.2	17.8	169	117.2	16.6	1177	112.2	15.8
17-	2496	130.9	11.9	1705	141.7	12.2	38	128.8	11.6	80	131.5	14.3	673	121.5	9.3
18-	2150	137.4	6.2	1638	146.4	4.7	39	135.1	6.3	135	138.7	7.2	338	129.3	7.8
19-	1438	139.6	5.5	940	148.5	2.1	69	138.6	3.5	140	140.2	1.5	289	131.1	1.8
20-	851	143.3	3.7	451	152.4	3.9	52	140.1	1.5	175	144.3	4.1	173	136.4	9.9
21-	738	145.2	1.9	365	152.7	-3	52	143.9	3.8	164	147.8	3.5	157	138.6	2.2
22-	542	146.9	1·7	215	152·S	'1	51	145.5	1.3	167 279	150·6 152·8	2.2	103	140.2	1.6
23-	551 483	147·8 148·0	•2	112	151.5		57 57	146·8 147·1	3	250	151.9		120	143.4	3.2
25-	400	140.0	ا	56	149.6		/45	148.5	1.4	224	154.1	1.3	61	139.9	
26-							46	154.1	5.6	192	154.1	_	58	142.2	_
27-	-1559	152.3	4.3	115	156.3	3.2	$\begin{cases} 26 \end{cases}$	149.2	_	171	156.7	2.6	56	146.9	6.5
28-							33	156.1	2.0	213	155.1	_	50	148.0	1.1
29-	1)						26	154.3		161	158.0	1.3	46	148.1	·1
30-35	964	159.8	7.5	24	171.5	15.2	87	158.5	2.4	700	159.2	1.2	153	150.1	2.0
35-40	840	164.3	4.5	24	173.5		80	166.6	8.1	631	160.5	1.3	105	156.5	6.4
40-50	1040	163.3	-	44	172.5	1.0	72	168.6	2.0	911	162.0	1.5	113	151.7	
50-60	179		1.8	13	174.5	2.0	16	173.4	4.8	129	170.9	8.9	21	145.6	
60-70	35		2.0	5	164.5		3	165.7		24	170.9	_	3	130.8	_
70-	12	182.1	-			-	1	189.0		11	175.3	4.4			
Total Obs.	29475	-		9208		_	4944	_	_	8162	_	-	8300		-

TABLE VII.—Showing the RELATIVE STATURE OF ADULTS of the ages from 25 to 30 years under different physical and social conditions.

The horizontal black lines show the mean Height of each class. The averages are given at the bottom of the Table.

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	Surrey		66	64.5	65.94
ecial Classes	Lunatics, all Classes		341	65.5	65-65
Class VI.—Special Classes	Prisoners all Classes	1 - 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	491	0.99	66-16
)	Recruits for the Army, 1879	 	F9	9.99	67-44
Class V.	Occupa- tions: Factories, Shoemakers, Tailors		193	65.5	65-95
Class IV	Artisan Classes living in Towns		342	66.5	19-99
Class III.	Labouring Classes, Agriculturl. Miners, Sailors	1	945	67.5	67.51
II see II	H H 2		180	0.89	67-95
	Class I. Classes	1	107	0-69	69-14
	Metropolitan Police and Fire Brigade	385 52 5 7 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	168	0.02	10.04
	General Population all Classes	26 26 26 27 27 28 28 27 28 27 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 29 15 28 28 15 28 28 15 28 15 28 15 28 16 28 16 28 16 28 16 28 16 16 28 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16	1935	67.5	67.54
	Height in inches	76 to 77 75-76 74-75 73-74 72-73 71-72 70-71 69-60 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-65 61-62 61-62 61-62 61-65 61-	Total	Mean Height.	Average

Nore—A Table similar to this, but relating to boys of the age of 11-12 years, is published in the Committee's Report for 1880. It wan be seen that the same both Tables, and that the differentiation of the classes takes place before the age of 11 years, and probably is in a great measure hereditary.

Mr. Francis Galton who has prepared the Tables VIII. to X. on the Range in Height, Weight, and Strength, has contributed the following remarks

 $upon\ them.$

In determining the range I have employed and extended the method by which the so-called 'probable error' is found. That is to say, the observations in each series were arranged in the order of their respective magnitudes, beginning with the lowest and ending with the highest. A definite fraction was then cut off from either end of the series; the values at the exact points where the divisions took place were ascertained by interpolation, and the difference between these gave the range of the intermediate portion.

The fractions so cut off were—(1) a half; this gave simply the median value: (2) a quarter; this gave the upper and lower 'quartile' values, and consequently the 'interquartile' range (which is equal to twice the 'probable error'): (3) a tenth; this gave the upper and lower 'decile' values, and consequently the 'interdecile' range. The following are the

definitions of these terms, Median, Quartile, and Decile:-

The Median, in height, weight, or any other attribute, is the value which is exceeded by one-half of an infinitely large group, and which the

other half falls short of.

The Upper Quartile is that which is exceeded by one-fourth part of an infinitely large group, and which the remaining three-fourths fall short

of. Conversely for the Lower Quartile.

The Upper Decile is that which is exceeded by one-tenth of an infinitely large group, and which the remaining nine-tenths fall short of. The Lower Decile is the converse of this; one-tenth falls short of it, and nine-tenths exceed it.

Each line of the annexed tables is to be read as in the following

instance, taken from the fourth line of Table VIIIa.

Example:—869 observations were made of boys of the professional

classes, of 13 years of age, whence it appears that-

(1) There are as many boys above the height of 59.0 inches as below it. This Median value differs from the Average value by 0.1 inch, which shows a trifling want of symmetry in the distribution of the heights.

(2) One-fourth of the boys exceeds the height of 60.9 inches, and another fourth falls short of 57.1 inches; in consequence, the difference of 3.8 inches defines the range in height of the intermediate two-fourths,

or middle half, of the boys.

(3) One-tenth of them exceeds 62.8 inches, while another tenth falls short of 55.4 inches. The difference between these numbers is 7.4, which defines the range in height of the intermediate eight-tenths, or three-quarters of the boys.

(4) The highest measurement actually taken in these 869 observations was 71.5 inches (reckoning to the nearest inch), and the lowest was

similarly 49.5 inches, showing a difference of 22 inches.

The information as to the extreme values that happen to have been observed in these 869 cases, is avowedly of little solid value. Their magnitude depends to a great degree upon the accident of this particular series happening to include, or not to include, one very exceptional instance of great stature and another of small stature. It is beyond the power of statistical science to determine the extreme values that might possibly be observed.

On the other hand, the Median, Decile, and Quartile values possess a trustworthiness of the same order as that of the Average or Arithmetic Mean values. They are not sensibly affected by a solitary accident, and a moderately large series of observations is sufficient to determine them with as much precision as is needful for ordinary statistical purposes.

A small error in the position of the medians, quartiles, &c., causes an error in their values proportional to the tangent of the circumscribing curve at the corresponding points. On protracting the curves for height, weight, and strength from their tabular values, it appears that the tangents at the quartiles are but little greater than those at the medians, but that the tangents at the deciles are about twice as great. Again, the tangents at corresponding points in two of these curves, drawn from different numbers of observations (the ordinates relating to the successive values being supposed in all cases to stand at the same distances apart), must vary inversely as the number of observations. Consequently, in order to ascertain decile values in the series with which we are now dealing, with the same accuracy as medians and quartiles, we require to have about twice the number of observations.

It appears to be well worth while to print, not only summary tables of results, as Table VIII. for the height, and Table IX. for the weight, but to supplement these by other tables going more into detail and referring to the classes separately. So much has been written on the applicability of the Exponential Law of Error to statistical results, that it is important to publish material for the more complete discussion of the subject. the discussion itself, this is hardly the place to enter, further than by saying that the median values will be found to conform very closely indeed with the arithmetical means, that the distribution of variations on either side of the median value is so symmetrical that the difference between either quartile or decile and the median is almost exactly one-half of the difference between the two quartiles or the two deciles, and, lastly, that the range between the two deciles is very commonly a trifle short of double the range between the two quartiles. According to the Exponential Law of Error, the results in every case would have been nearly the same as these.

I would refer those who desire to pursue the subject on a theoretical basis to a paper of my own on the 'Geometric Mean in Vital and Social Statistics,' in the Proceedings of the Royal Society, October, 1879, and more especially to the subsequent one by Dr. Donald McAlister on the 'Law of the Geometric Mean,' in which the equation is given to the circumscribing curve, both on the assumption of the arithmetical mean of two fallible observations of the same fact being the most probable inference from them, and on that of the Geometric Mean being accepted, as I have argued that it ought to be, as the more probable inference in all physiological phenomena.

On the Calculation of Deciles, Quartiles, and Medians.

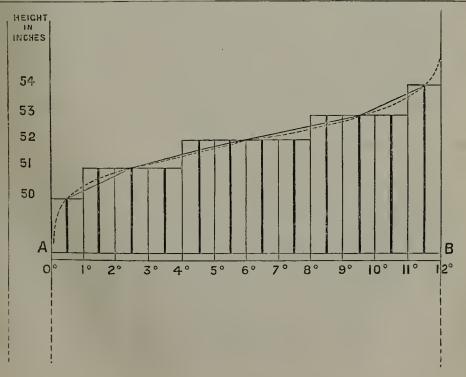
The deciles, quartiles, and medians are ordinates to an ideal curve, supposed to be constructed as follows:—An infinite number of measurements, belonging to the same statistical group, are arranged in the order of their magnitudes, and ordinates of lengths corresponding respectively to each of them are erected side by side, at equal, but infinitesimally small, distances apart, along a given line AB; then the curve passing through their tops is the curve in question. The median is the ordinate corresponding to the abscissa of ½AB; the lower and upper quartiles

correspond respectively to $\frac{1}{4}$ AB and to $\frac{3}{4}$ AB; the lower and upper deciles correspond to $\frac{1}{10}$ AB and to $\frac{9}{10}$ AB. It may be remarked that the general shape of the curve will always resemble that shown in the diagram, owing to the recognised statistical fact that medium values are much more frequent than extreme ones, deviations from the mean value

becoming increasingly rare in a rapidly increasing ratio.

In order to deduce approximately the above-mentioned curve from a finite series of n observations, we divide AB into n equal spaces, and erect an ordinate in the middle of each of a length proportionate to the corresponding datum. The spaces will be defined by divisions that run from 0° at A, to n° at B, and therefore there will be n+1 of them. The first ordinate will stand at $0^{\circ}.5$ of the graduated scale, the second at $1^{\circ}.5$, and so on, while the abscisse of the deciles, quartiles, and medians will be at the following positions: $\frac{n}{10}, \frac{n}{4}, \frac{n}{2}, \frac{3n}{4}, \frac{3n}{10}$. The data are grouped and tabulated as in columns A and B of the following example, which, for the sake of simplicity in illustration, consists of only twelve observations.

Height in inches	Number of observations	Total number of previous records	Halves of the entries in column B	Abscissæ. Sums of the columns C and D
A	В	C	D	E
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To work out this case, take a base line AB, divide it into twelve equal parts, and erect an ordinate (see the dark lines in the diagram) in the middle of each of them. The first ordinate will reach to 50 inches (the lower part of the ordinate is suppressed to save space); the next three will reach to 51 inches; the next four to 52 inches, and so on according to the tabular data. Erect ordinates of suitable heights (see the light lines in the diagram) at each of the graduations, and draw horizontal lines through the top of each group of dark lines until it meets the light lines on either side of them. A figure is thus produced which consists of a series of rectangles rising in equal steps. A curved line (see the dotted line) which smooths off the corners of the rectangles, is the curve upon which the deciles, &c., are to be measured, and the broken line formed by joining the central points of the upper boundary of each rectangle may be adopted as an equivalent to the curve without material error. The ordinates at these central points are those that correspond to the successive integral heights of 50, 51, 52, &c. inches. The value of their corresponding abscissæ is equal to half the number of the dark lines in the rectangle in question plus the number of dark lines in all the previous rectangles. An inspection of the figure will show this more readily than a verbal explanation.

The calculation is very easily made by appending to the tabular data in A and B three other columns, C, D, and E. Column C contains in each line the sum of all the heights inferior to the number of inches found in A upon the same line. D contains the halves of the entries in B, and E contains the sum of the entries in C and D, and consequently

gives the abscissæ corresponding to the several integral inches.

Example: to find the lower decile in the above instance. As we know the abscissa of the decile, we proceed to find from column E the two entries between which it lies, and we take the corresponding ordinates from A, whence we find the decile itself by simple interpolation. As there are twelve observations in the example, the abscissa of the decile is 1.2, which lies between the tabular entries in E of 0.5 and 2.5, and these are the abscissæ of 50 and 51 inches respectively. Therefore the decile is equal to 50 inches plus a certain fraction of an inch, x, whose value may be ascertained by a simple rule of three. Thus:—

difference between 2.5 and 0.5:1 inch:: difference between 1.2 and 0.5:x inches

x=0.35, and the required decile=50.35 inches.

On a first glance at the tables, a very remarkable fact is manifest. It is the uniformity of range at all the ages given in it. Let us begin with height, as shown in Table VIII.; the range between the upper and lower fourths is as great at 11, or even at 8, years of age as it is at 22 or 40 years, and at the intermediate ages it is much the same, viz., about 3.3 inches. It might have been expected that the range would vary with the average height, so that the fact of boys of 11 years of age having a median or average height of 53.5 inches, and an interquartile range of 3.2 inches, would imply that men of 22 years, having a median height of 67.6 inches, would have an interquartile range of 4.4 inches, because 53.5: 3.2::67.6: 4.4. The interdecile range is equally constant. It seems so difficult to conceive of variation otherwise than as a fraction of the

average height, that we are justified in expressing the steadiness of the range at different ages by the phrase that the variation in height at all ages between boyhood and manhood is inversely proportional to the average height at those ages. The results of 100 measurements of newlyborn male infants at their full term, furnished to me by Mr. Roberts, show a large range; the median value is 192, the interquartile range is 1.8, and the interdecile range is 3.5; but it must be recollected that it is difficult to measure infants with accuracy.

It would be of much interest to examine this question further, and to find out at what age the range begins to be steady, but my data are at

present insufficient to enable me to do this.

As regards weight, much the same holds good at and after the age of 14, but the range decreases steadily as we go further back. Among the newly-born infants the median value is 7.6 lbs., the interquartile range

is 1.7 lbs., and the interdecile range is 3.3 lbs.

As regards strength the range is small in early life, large in early manhood, but in after-life other conditions appear which materially and steadily reduce it. The upper quartile values begin to decrease and the lower quartiles to increase; in other words, the stronger quarter of Englishmen do not keep up their full vigour, and the weaker quarter become steadily stronger. This latter event is certainly due in large part to the previous removal of many of the weakest by early death. As regards the deciles we see that the athletes preserve their vigour very fairly, while the weakly tenth considerably improve, so that the interdecile range also

decreases in advancing life.

Another very curious fact is a marked increase of range of height from about 14 to 16 years of age in Classes I. and II., and in a less degree in Class IV., which disappears afterwards. Probably the increase of range takes place in different boys at slightly different ages, and therefore becomes smoothed down in the mean result. If so, it would be still more striking if the classes had been further subdivided. I gather from this temporary increase of range that precocity is, on the whole, of no advantage in later life, and that it may be a disadvantage. It is certain that the precocions portion do not maintain their lead to the full extent; it is possible that they may actually fall back, and that many of those who occupied a low place in the statistical series between the ages of 14 and 16 occupy a high place after those years. The full discussion of this requires the collation of many individual histories; it cannot be effected through mean results. Perhaps the class of statistical researches in anthropometry that most deserves encouragement at the present time is the preservation of these records of the same individual throughout life. He might with little trouble be measured and weighed annually or more often, in the nursery, at school, at college, and in after-life, and all the records might be kept seriatim in a book, with remarks at the side accounting, as far as may be, for abnormalities of growth. A large collection of well-kept records of this kind would be of the highest value, not only from an anthropometric but from a sanitary point of view, using that term in its widest sense.

TABLE VIII .- Range in the HEIGHT of Males at each Age and in the several Classes. (For further details see Tables VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIIc, and VIIId.)

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Note.—The ages under Class I., to which the entries within brackets () apply, were grouped differently to those in the other classes (see Table VIIIa). It has therefore been necessary to exclude those entries from the 'Ayerage of all Classes."

Table VIIIa.—Range in the Height of Males at each Age. Class I.—Professional (Upper and Upper Middle Classes).

Difference between maximum and minimum	inches 9-0	19.0	0.55	0.55	55.0	26.0	21.0	20.0	18.0	17.0	19.0	15.0	0-1-1	13.0	0.6	13.0	12.0	13.0
Minimum — between	inches 48–49	48-49	48-49	49-50	50-51	49-50	53-54	26-57	09-69	19-09	58-59	62-63	62-63	65-63	64-65	61-62	63-64	64-65
Maximum Vetween	inches 57–58	67-68	70-71	71-72	72-73	75-76	74-75	76-77	87-77	77-78	77-97	26-77	76-77	75-76	73-74	74-75	75-76	77-78
Range between upper and lower tenths	inches 5·2	7.9	†. 9	7.4	9.8	8.5	7.3	9.9	9.9	9.9	2.9	6.3	6.5	0.2	5.5	0.9	5.9	8.9
Lower Decile	inches 51·1	51.9	54.5	55.4	57.5	59-3	62.5	64.5	8-1-9	65.3	2.99	65.9	9.99	65.5	66.2	66.1	9.99	8-29
Upper Decile	inches 56·3	58.3	9.09	8.79	65.8	8-29	8.69	71.1	711-4	71.9	75.4	72.5	72.1	72.2	71.4	72.1	72.4	23.6
Range between upper and lower fourths	inches 2·7	3.1	3.4	 S.	4.5	4.5	3.7	3.5	3.4	က္	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.7	5.8	3.1	3:1	3 5 5
Lower	inches 52.4	53.7	55.6	57.1	29.0	61.4	2.19	66.1	9.99	6.99	F.19	67.3	†. 29	2.99	2.29	9.19	68.1	67.4
Upper Quartile	inches 55·1	8.99	0.69	6.09	63.5	62.9	68.5	9-69	70.0	70.3	8.02	9.02	9.02	70. 1	70.3	2.02	71.3	9.02
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Median	inches 53·9	55.3	57.1	29.0	61.2	63.7	7.99	6.29	68.3	9.89	69.1	6.89	0.69	9.89	8.89	†.69	2.69	0.69
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TABLE VIIIc .- Range in the Height of Males at each Age.

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	Minimum — between	inches	42-43	44-45	46-47	45-46	48-49	1	55-56	29-60	61 - 62	62-63	62-63	58-59	60-61	62-63	29-60	61-62	60-61	57-58	58-59	29-60	62-63	60-61	59-60	59-60	59-60	60-61	62-63
	Maximum between	inches	55-56	58-59	58-59	60-61	62-63	i	70-71	71-72	71-72	73-74	24-75	74-75	72-73	73-74	22-92	74-75	7-1-75	74-75	74-75	75–76	74-75	75-76	76-77	22-92	82-22	74-75	73-74
CLASS III,—Agricultural Labourers, Gardeners, Miners, Sailors, Fishermen, &c.	Range between upper and lower tenths	inches	9.0	5-8	5.9	6.3	6.1		5.1	2.7		1.9	6.5	6.5	0.9	6.3	2.9	6.5	8.9	7.1	6.5	6.5	9.0	6.5	6.5	9.9	2.9	2-2	0.8
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Itural Lab	Upper Quartile	inches	51.0	23.4	53.9	55.3	2.99	1	63.1	8.79	67.1	68.2	F-89	68.5	8.89	0.69	6.89	68.5	69-2	69-2	₽.69	6.89	6.89	69.3	69.3	₹-69	69.3	1.02	2.69
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	Age in years			10_	11-	19-	13-	14-	15-	16-	17-	18-	19-	20-	21-	-53	193-	24-	25-	-92	27_	28-	29-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-	-09

Table VIIId.—Range in the Height of Males at each Age. Class IV.—Artisans, Workers in Wood, Metals, Stone, Engravers, Printers, &c.

Difference between maximum and minimum	inches).c	0.0	>					_	_		_											_	_	_					Ï	
, —			<i></i>		0.01	14.0	16.0	13.0	17.0	15.0	21.0	55.0	19.0	17.0	16.0	14.0	11.0	13.0	11.0	0.6	11.0	10.0	12.0	10.0	11.0	13.0	13.0	11.0	12.0	10.0	13.0
H o	inches	50-50	35-36	02-40 41 49	41-42	42-43	42-43	47-48	43-44	49-50	50-51	51-53	52-53	56-57	55-56	58-59	62 - 63	61-62	61-62	62-63	61-62	61 - 62	60 - 61	60-61	62-63	60-61	60-61	61-62	60-61	63-64	60-61
Maximum — between	inches	40-41	15-14	50-51	51-52	56-57	58-59	60-61	60-61	64-65	71-73	73-74	-71-72	73-74	71-72	72-73	73-74	7.1–75	72-73	71-72	72-73	71–72	72-73	70-71	73-74	73-74	73-74	72-73	72-73	73-74	73-74
Range between upper and lower tenths	inches	0.7	# ×	0 00	6.1	0.9	0.9	5.8	7.0	ۍ ن ن	9.9	7.4	7.5	6.5	5.8	5.8	51.0	2.9	₹.9	<u>ئ</u> ئ	0.9	5.5	57.75	2.+	7.4	9.9	5.7	5.8	0.9	6.5	0.8
Lòwer Decile	inches	7.00	55.0 40.7	42.9	0.41	1.91	47.8	7.65	20.6	54.4	56.6	57.8	59-1	61.7	0.89	63.4	63·S	64.1	9.89	63.0	63.7	63.0	63.8	64.3	64.3	9.89	63.7	64.4	63.8	6.4.9	62.5
Upper Decile	inches	107	# 19 19 19 19 19	- 6.5.5 - 6.5.5 - 7.5.5	50.1	52.1	53.8	55.5	57.6	59.7	63.5	65.5	66.3	6.2.9	8.89	7.69 7.69	69.3	8.69	70.0		2.69	£-69	0.69	0.69	0.69	70.5	69.4	70.5	8.69	70.5	2.02
Range between upper and lower fourths	inches	ာ ရ ရ ဇ	4 6.	5.6	3.4	3.0	69 69	٠٠. ش		2.7.		0.7	٠ ٠ ٠	٠ ن ن ن	0 i		2.5 So.	5.8	က က	57 C	က္	5.53 0.53 0.53		25.53	9.0	3:1	3.1	∞ ∞	3.0	3.4	3.7
Lower	inches 37.3	9000	41.7	74.4	45.4	9.24	+9·5	51.1	6.Tg	#.0g	8.7.9	27.3 24.3	0.19	63:1	64.1	9. 1 .9	65.0	65.3	64.9	64.9	6.79	65.0	65.2	65.6	6.79	65.3	$6\tilde{v}$.	65.7	65.2	$65\cdot 1$	04·S
Upper Quartile	inches 39.6	41.9	9.‡	47.0	18.8	20.6	52·4	24.5	9.60	58.1	2.10	68.99	7.1-9	2.99	0.79	2.79	8.29	68.1	68.5	8.7.9	68:5	6.79	T. 29	67.9	67.9	£.89	68.5	68.5	68.5	68.5	68.5
Difference	inches + ·3	- 1	!	+	<u>-</u>	+ 61 (÷	1 9	77 7	ન ર !	၉ -	 .	+	1 9	1 ² 7		1 9	1		1				 	. ,	- +	1			9.1	1
Average	inches 38.5	10.1	43.3	45.7	47.1	6.87	50.7	7.20	0.02	0.00	000	\$.TO	0.70	7.40	0.00	2.00	0.99	8.99	0.99	¥.00	6,00	0.00	#.00 #.00	7.99	2.99	8.99	2.99	67.1	2.99	6.99	2.99
Median	inches 38.8	40.1	42.9	45.9	47.0	49-1	0.10	7.20	6.66	7.00	61.5	6.10	0000	7.49	1.55 1.55	1.00	0.00	6.00	0.00	7.00	#.00 #.00	0.00	#.00°	2.99	9.99	6.99	2.99	0.29	8.99	66.3	9.99
Number of Observa- tions	21	765	40	53	176	20.00	0220	109	139	1653	1164	1201	1691	717	977	172	17.0	100	103	140	140	1 5	# 20	0 2	n c	100	180	111	79	16	777
Age in years	4-	120	. 5	7-2	\$ a	-6-5-t		110	1 7 7 7	14.	H 14	16.	10-	16	10-	-61	-07	-12	1220	100	1476	107	107	-17	-02	- 62	-0°	39-	±0±	107	-0g

TABLE IX.—Range in the Weight of Males at each Age and in the several Classes. (For further details see Tables IXa., IXb., IXc., and IXd.)

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	enths	Average	Classes	lbs.	25.0	22-1	24.6	27.1	94.6	39.7	40.5	9.88	40.0	38.0	37.8	35.7	₹-0¥	8.0+	40.1	42.3	41.9	42.3	20.6	43.1	52.5	55.9	0.09	65.0	68.1
	Lower T		4	lbs.	I	1	1	23.5	30.5	96.0	ස. දැ.	35.7	37.0	40.0	38.1	37.9	38.2	34.1	44.1	42.5	92.6	41.3	9.07	41.9	59.0	51.8	56.9	8.29	6.89
	Between Upper and Lower Tenths	ses	ಣ	lbs.	l	1	i	I	1	34.0	29.3	38.0	47.6	38.8	9.28	37.5	41.7	53.4	40.1	45.2	48.0	43.0	46.5	41.2	51.6	55.1	2.99	55.8	69.4
n Age	veen Up	Classes	21	lbs.	20.3	21.6	8.7.7	£.72	33.5	42.9	51-1	41.5	35.6	6:1:0 6:1:0	38.1	50.4	44.3	31.9	41.3	39.3 20.3	42.5	41.6	64.7	46.3	47.0	6.09	67.5	71.5	62.3
ıt at eac	Bety		-	lbs.	59.6	25.6	26.3	8.08	40.1	45.7	43.1	99.9	9.68	38.1	37.2	38.5	37.5	43.8	94.0	1	i	(40.1)	Ì	1	(26.2)	1	(74.5)	1	ŀ
Range in Weight at each Age	ourths	Average	Classes	lbs.	11.6	11.5	13.0	14.4	20.1	23.2	55.6	50.6	20-9	19.5	20-9 -	17.7	21.6	19.3	20.2	23.5	21.5	22.1	21.8	18:2	26.3	26.7	28.0	32.0	37.5
Ran	Lower Fo		4	lbs.	l	1	1	11.8	15.3	21.9	19.7	19.8	19.4	21.3	17.6	17.5	21.2	18.4	23.0	25.9	20.2	9.03	18.1	13.4	29.5	23.1	25.7	28.5	34.2
	Between Upper and Lower Fourths	ses	ေ	Ibs.	i	1	ı	1	1	22.8	16.2	55.6	24.3	18.9	21.3	18.0	24.4	22.7	19.8	23.3	25.0	20.2	23.3	20.0	23.6	24.4	27.1	97.9	37.3
	reen Upp	Classes	23	lbs.	11.5	11.4	12.2	14.5	24.1	25.2	29.0	19·I	19.4	18.6	25.9	14.7	20·8	15.9	21.1	23.5	19.0	25.1	24.1	21.1	0.98	32.7	33.8	40.0	41.0
	Betv			lbs.	11.7	11.5	13.8	16.9	20.8	25.3	25.3	21.0	₹.02	19.3	18.6	50.4	19.9	50.8	18.9	í	1	(23.3)		1	(32.0)	1	(6.71)	1	
		Average of all	Classes	lbs.	69.3	72.5	79.2	84.1	92.1	102.7	121.6	130-8	137.6	139.0	143.5	143.9	145.7	146.7	147.8	147.5	146.4	1.0cl	151.0	151-9	154.1	158.2	157-9	159.2	162.7
olyte	anrı		4	lbs.	ı	1	-	83.7	2.06	1003	111.8	121.5	129.5	·130·8	136.4	134.8	137.3	140.1	142.5	141.7	138.3	145.4	146.7	146.0	146.6	154.8	147.8	146.5	148.8
odion Voluc	caran A	ses	ಣ	1bs.	1	I	ł	i	1	2.66	122.6	132.3	138.8	138.9	144.0	147.9	149.7	151.0	151.3	153.4	151.7	155.3	154.4	157.3	157-4	158.4	160.4	159.7	166-9
1	I	Classes	23	lbs.	64.4	₹.29	73.6	78.0	85.5	97.1	122.0	128.0	136.6	139.2	141.8	140.6	142.2	145.0	147.8	146.7	149.2	150.5	151.9	152.5	158-2	161.5	165.5	171.3	172.5
			-	lbs.	74.2	9-22	2.18	2.06	100.0	113.8	129.9	141.2	145.8	147.2	151.7	152.4	153.5	150.7	149.7	1	1	(155.9)	, — 	1	(170.0)	1	(174.0)	1	1
	Total	Observa-			303	578	779	1614	2448	3018	2235	5496	2150	1438	851	737	542	551	483	330	596	253	296	233	940				166
	Age	in Years			10-	11-	12-	13-	14-	15-	-91	17-	18-	19-	-02	21-	22-	23-	24-	25-	-92	27-	-88-	29-	30-	35-	40-	45-	20-60

Norr.—The ages under Class I., to which the entries within brackets () apply, were grouped differently to those in the other classes (see Table IXa.) It has therefore been necessary to exclude those entries from the 'Average of all Classes.'

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Table IXa.—Range in the Weight of Males at each Age. Class I.—Professional (Upper and Upper Middle Classes).

	Difference between maximun and minimum	lbs. 35-0	45.0	0.09	85.0	100.0	109.5	109.5	103.5	107.5	102.5	103.5	92.2	78.5	64.5	83.5	97.5	101.5	114.5	1
	Minimum between	Ibs 55- 60	55- 60	55- 60	55- 60	60- 65	70- 75	75-80	90- 95	100-105	105-110	90-95	115-120	115-120	115-120	110-115	110-115	120-125	135-140	ı
	Maximum — between	10s. 90- 95	100-105	115-120	140-145	160-165	175–189	175-189	189-203	203-217	203-217	189-203	203-217	189-203	175-189	189-203	203-217	217-231	245-259	
	Range between upper and lower tenths	1bs. 29·6	55.6	26.3	8.08	40.1	45.7	43.1	39-3	39.6	38.1	37.9	38.5	37.5	43.8	6.46	40.1	59.7	74.5	
e Classes).	Lower Decile	Ibs. 63•3	68.1	72.5	2.92	83.9	91.6	0.201	122.4	126.4	130.4	134.1	133.0	134.1	128.7	131.5	140.5	147.5	141.5	
ser Middie	Upper Decile	1bs. 82·9	2.06	8.86	107.3	124.0	137-3	150-1	161.7	166.0	168.5	171.3	171.5	171.6	172.5	166.4	180.3	207.2	216.0	
CLASS 1,—Froressional (Upper and Upper Middle Classes).	Range between upper and lower fourths	lbs. 11.7	11.5	13.8	16.9	8.03	25.3	25.8	21.0	20.4	19.3	18.6	20-4	19-9	50.8	18.9	23.3	32.0	6.44	
nai (Uppe	Lower Quartile	lbs. 67·2	72.8	6-22	82.7	91.3	101-5	118.8	130.8	135.8	138.1	142.8	141.7	142.3	141.1	140.1	144.0	155.8	1.48.9	[
-Froressio	Upper Quartile	1bs. 78-9	84.3	5.16	9-66	112.1	126.8	141.1	151.8	156-2	157.4	161-4	162.1	162.2	161.9	159-3	167.3	187.8	193.8	1
CLASS 1	Difference	lbs. + ·2	-1.1	2.	6. –	-2.5	1	† +	10	9. –	-1:3	1	ا ف	1+	ا ف	· +	1	-2.5	9. 1	1
	Average	lbs. 74·0	7.8.7	84.9	9.16	102.2	114.3	129.5	141.7	146.4	148.5	152.4	152.7	152.8	151.5	149.6	156.3	172.5	174.6	171.5
	Median	1bs. 74·2	9.22	84.7	2.06	100.0	113.8	129.9	141.2	145.8	147.2	151.7	152.4	153.5	150.7	149.7	155.9	170.0	174.0	171.5
	Number of Observa- tions	36	185	369	621	748	652	834	1705	1638	0+6	451	365	215	112	99	115	48	44	18
	Age in years	10-	11-	12-	13-	14-	15-	16-	17-	18-	19-	20-	21-	-22-	23-	24-	25-	30-	-0 +	50-70

TABLE IXb.—Range in the Weight of Males at each Age.

CLASS II.—Commercial (Lower Middle Classes): Clerks, Shopkeepers, Shopmen, &c.

Difference between max imm and minimum	1bs. 30.0 50.0 65.0	101.5
Minimum Jetween	1bs. 50- 55 45- 50 45- 50 55- 60 55- 60 55- 60 65- 70 70- 75 95-100 100-105 110-115 95-100 110-115 110-115 110-115 110-115 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125 110-115 120-125	120-125 130-135
Maximum between	10s. 80 - 85 96 - 95 120 - 95 130 - 135 145 - 150 160 - 165 160 - 165 160 - 165 160 - 165 170 - 175 189 - 203 175 - 189 175 - 189 175 - 189 217 - 231 189 - 203 217 - 231 217 - 231 217 - 231 227 - 231	217-231
Range between upper and lower tenths	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	71.5
Lower	1198. 66.1. 66.1. 66.1. 70.8 73.5 116.3 116.3 122.8 123.8 123.6 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 123.0 133.0 140.4	133.8
Upper Decile	1bs. 755 735 835 9 935 1044 3 1214 1460 1510 1510 1550 1650 1650 1650 1650 16	205·3 210·0
Range between upper and lower fourths	155. 111.5 111.5 111.5 112.2 12.5 12.5 1	40.0
Lower Quartile	1bs. 58.9 66.7 77.1 77.1 108.6 119.2 126.8 129.2 127.9 137.7 137.7 142.5 142.5 145.9 145.9 145.9	145·8 150·3
Upper Quartile	105.4 77.9 85.7 101.2 110.9 1147.8 145.9 147.8 165.0 1154.6 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8 1165.8	185.8
Difference	861 + + + +	+3.1
Average	108. 65.2 68.0 73.2 89.5 122.2 122.8 135.1 146.8 147.1 146.8 147.1 156.1 156.1 158.5 166.6 169.0	168·2 173·4
Median	1bs. 64.4 67.4 78.0 85.5 97.1 122.0 128.0 138.6 149.2 140.6 142.2 146.7 149.2 146.7 146.7 150.5 156.5 165.5 165.5	171.3
Number of Observations	2211 2304 330 2444 250 250 330 250 330 260 30 260 3	33
Age in years	10- 11- 12- 13- 14- 15- 16- 17- 18- 18- 18- 18- 18- 18- 18- 18- 18- 18	45- 50-
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TABLE IXc.—Range in the Weight of Males at each Age. Class III.—Agricultural Labourers, Gardeners, Miners, Sailors, Fishermen, &c.

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Difference between maximum and minimum	1bs. 80.0	0.29	0.08	113.5	98.2	69.5	2.88	83.5	116.5	78.2	97.5	92.2	92.2	97.5	68.5	153.5	153.5	158.5	139.5	148.5	115.5
Minimum between	1bs. 60- 65		80-85	80-85	95-100	110 - 115	105-110	110-115	105-110	115-120	110-115	115-120	115-120	110-115	125-130	110-115	110-115	105-110	110-115	115-120	$120_{-}125$
Maximum between	lbs. 140–145	155-160	160-165	189-203	189-203	175-189	189_203	189-203	217-231	189-203	203-217	203-217	203-217	203-217	189-203	259-273	259-273	259-273	245-259	259-273	231-245
Range between upper and lower Tenths	10s. 34·0	29.3	38.0	9.24	38.8	9.28	37.5	41.7	53.4	40.1	45.2	48.0	43.9	46.5	41.2	51.6	55.1	55.7	55.8	f.69	6.96
Lower Deeile	1bs. 83·8	107.6	113.1	114.1	122.5	125.6	128.6	129.4	131.0	131.2	133.0	132.7	137.2	132.9	138.6	136.9	136.6	137.1	135.2	139.4	132.5
Upper	115. 117.8	136.9	151.1	161.7	161.3	163-2	166.1	171.1	184.4	171.3	178.2	180.7	181.1	179.4	179.8	188.5	191.7	192.8	191.0	8.802	229-4
Range between upper and lower fourths	1bs. 22·8	16.2	22.6	24.3	18.9	21.3	18.0	24.4	22.7	19.8	23.3	25.0	20.4	23.3	20.0	23.6	24.4	27.1	97.9	37.3	30.9
Average Difference Upper Lower Quartile Quartile fourths Tenths	1bs. 89·0	113.9	120.5	126.0	130.1	133.4	138.1	138.6	140.5	141.4	141.6	140.2	144.6	142.6	147.2	145.7	146.2	147.5	146.2	151.0	152.5
Upper Quartile	1bs. 111·8	130.1	143.1	150.3	149.0	154.7	156·1	163.0	163.2	161.2	164.9	165.5	165.3	165.9	167.2	169.3	170.6	174.6	174.1	188.3	183.4
Difference	10s. –	+	* *	+ -1	-1:3	 က်	- +	6. I	- 1.8	9. 1	L	7.5-	-1.4	2	L	-1.8	-2.1	7.5-	-1.5	-4.0	1-8-4
Average	1bs. 100·6	122.2	131.5	138.7	140.5	144.3	147.8	150.6	152.8	151.9	154.1	154.1	156.7	1551	158.0	159.2	160.5	162.8	161.2	170.9	170.9
Median	1bs. 99·7	122.6	132.3	138.8	138.0	144.0	147.9	149.7	151.0	151.3	153.4	151.7	155.3	154.4	157.3	157.4	158.4	160.4	159.7	166.9	162.5
Number of Observa- tions	929	169	80	135	140	175	164	167	279	250	\$55 +	192	171	213	161	700	631	119	371	129	24
Age in years	15-	16-	17-	18-	19_	-02	21-	22-	23-	24-	25-	-92	27-	-82	29-	30-	35-	-07	45-	50-	-09

TABLE IXd.—Range in the Weight of Males at each Age.

Class IV.—Artisans, Workers in Wood, Metal, Stone, Engravers, Printers, &c.

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Difference between maximum and minimum	lbs.	55.0	0.03	0.06	0.68	0.68	103.5	262	74.5	88°5°	69-5	102.5	0.19	29.0	116.5	92.2	83.5	97.5	106.5	83.5	1111.5	102.5
Minimum between	lbs.	55- 60	55- 60 60- 65	70- 75	75-80	80-85	90-95	100-105	105-110	105-110	110-115	105-110	105-110	110 - 115	105-110	115 - 120	110 - 115	110-115	115-120	110-115	110-115	105-110
Maximum Minimum between between	lbs.	110-115	150-155	160-165	165-168	168-175	189-203	175-189	175-189	189-203	175-189	203-217	168-175	168-175	217-231	203-217	189-203	231-245	217-231	189-203	217-231	203-217
Range between upper and lower tenths	lbs.	23.2	7.0.5 30.98	37.3	35.7	37.0	40.0	38.1	37.5	38.5	34.1	44.1	42.5	35.6	41.3	40.6	41.9	29.0	51.8	56.9	8.29	6.89
Lower	lbs.	73.0	78.4	93.7	103.6	11111	111.5	117.3	118.5	120.3	122.8	121.3	117.5	126.9	123.5	128.4	125.0	122.5	132.0	126.3	124.2	107.9
Upper Decile	lbs.	86.2	108.9	131.0	139.3	148.1	151.5	155.4	155.7	158.5	156.9	165.4	160.0	162.5	164.8	169.0	166.9	181.5	183.8	183.2	$192 \cdot 0$	176.8
Range between upper and lower fourths	lbs.	11.8	15:3 9:1:9	19.7	19.8	19.4	21.3	17.6	17.5	21.2	18.4	23.0	6.53	20.2	50.6	18.1	13.4	29.5	23.1	25.7	28.3	34.2
Lower Quartile	lbs.	78.5	83.9	102.4	110.3	119.5	119.6	127.2	126.7	127.1	130.5	130.2	128.5	132.0	136.4	136.9	140.6	133.5	143.0	135.7	136.3	125.8
Upper Quartile	lbs.	0.06	99.2	122.1	130.1	138.9	140.9	144.8	144.2	148.3	148.9	153.2	151.4	152.5	157.0	155.0	154.0	162.7	166.1	161.4	164.5	160.0
Difference	lbs.	ا ش	1.6	. 1		1	ا ش	-	-1.4	-1.3		6: 1	+1.8	-3.9	-1.5	-1.3	-2.1	-3.5	-1.7	- 2:0	-6.3	+3.2
Average	lbs.	84.0	92:3	112.2	121.5	129.3	131.1	136.4	136.2	138.6	140.5	143.4	139.9	142.2	146.9	148.0	148.1	150.1	156.5	150.7	152.8	145.6
Median	lbs.	83.7	90.7	111.8	121.5	129.2	130.8	136.4	134.8	137.3	140.1	142.5	141.7	138.3	145.4	146.7	146.0	146.6	154.8	147.8	146.5	148.8
Number of Observa- tions		0+9	1396	1177	673	338	289	173	157	109	103	120	19	58	92	50	46	153	105	99	47	. 21
Age in years		13-	-	16-	17-	18-	19-	20-	21-	22-	23-	24-	25-	-92	27-	28-	29-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-

TABLE X.—Range in the STRENGTH OF ARM of Males at each Age.

General Population.

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	Difference between maximum and minimum	lbs. 25.0	25.0	55.0	85.0	100.0	85.0	110.0	95.0	105.0	75.0	0.08	85.0	115.0	0.02	100.0	120.0	110.0	0.09
	Minimum between	lbs. 25-30	25-30	25-30	20-25	25-30	30-35	30-35	40-45	40-45	45-50	5055	50-55	40-45	50-55	50-55	35-40	35-40	50-55
	Maximum between	1bs. 50- 55	50- 55	80- 85	105-110	125-130	115-120	140-145	135-140	145-150	120-125	130-135	135-140	155-160	120-125	150-155	155-160	145-150	110-115
	Range between upper and lower tentlis	1bs. 17·3	18.9	23.0	33.0	30.0	34.7	38.5	40.3	38.5	33.8	35.6	34.3	32.3	31.9	30.0	33.8	35.5	39.4
	Lower Decile	1bs. 29·6	34.9	33.3	33.4	38-3	41·8	0.64	57.4	0.79	59.5	62.7	65.3	65.0	64.5	70.5	6.09	27.5	58.1
	Upper Decile	lbs. 46·9	53.8	56.3	67.3	68.3	76.5	87.5	2.26	100.5	93.3	98.3	99.2	97.3	1.96	100.5	7- <u>4</u> -C	93.0	97.5
zenerai roputation.	Range between upper and lower fourths	lbs. 9·6	11.0	11.2	14.4	15.1	18.0	19-3	26.5	22.0	9.12	21.1	19.3	19.2	16.9	17.3	17.7	9.91	16.5
General F	Lower Quarfile	16s. 32·5	33.1	37.9	38.1	43.3	48.3	55.3	6-19	64.1	65.9	† ⋅69	71.3	6-69	70·4	74.1	68.1	68.1	64.3
	Upper Quarfile	lbs. 42·1	44.1	49.1	52.5	58.4	6.99	74.5	88.4	86.1	87.5	90.2	9.06	89.1	87.3	91.4	85.8	84.7	80.8
	Average Difference	lbs.		-1.3	-1.9	+	-1.6	-3.4	ا ش	-34	-1.8	-1.3	-2.1	-1.5	-1.4	-1.6	2.5	ا ذي	0.2-
	Average	lbs. 37·5	38.7	44.2	47.0	52.5	58.5	8.49	74.3	₹-92	6.11	80.5	81.7	6.08	7.67	83.5	2.22	2.92	74.6
	Median	1bs. 37·5	9.88	42.9	45.1	9.59	9.99	64.4	73.9	73.0	76.1	78.9	9-62	79.4	78.3	81.9	75.3	2.92	71.6
	Number of Observa- tions	75	65	119	375	531	438	388	415	382	259	213	205	192	159	578	534	144	34
	Age in years	11-	13-	13-	14-	15-	16-	17-	18-	19-	-07	21-	-55-	23-	24-	25-	30-	40-	09-00

Inspector-General Lawson, who has prepared the Tables XI. to XIV. on Eyesight, has contributed the following remarks upon them.

The acuteness of vision has been tested by finding the distance at which the individual under trial could distinguish the dots on the cards issued by the Committee, so as to count them readily. These cards contain eighteen square dots of one-fifth of an inch wide placed irregularly in two groups, the distances from centre to centre of the contiguous dots varying from 2 diameters to 3·16; their intervals may accordingly be taken at one diameter less, or from 1 to 2·16. Of these intervals five are of 1 diameter, six of 1·24, two of 1·83, and three of 2·16, and, if the acuteness of vision were fairly tested, it must have been equal to separating the dots with the intervals of one diameter sufficiently, at the distance noted for each individual, to enable him to count them.

On approaching such a card, from a distance, the dots with the larger interspaces become distinct, while those with the smaller still seem continuous; but after a few trials many of those under test will become aware that the elongated-looking dots are made up of two, though they

be too far off for the eye to separate them.

The individuals examined have been distributed in five classes according to the scheme detailed in Table III. of the Committee's Report for 1880; the details for each class are given in the Tables XI. to XIV. On looking over these the fluctuations in the distance for consecutive years of age are far too great to admit of any satisfactory conclusions; to obviate this the ages have been grouped in five-yearly periods up to thirty, after which ten-yearly periods have been employed; these reduce the fluctuations materially and afford much more harmonious results, as will be seen in the following abstract.

Distance at which the test-dots were distinguished at different ages in each of the five classes, with a general mean for the II. III. IV. and V. Classes, and a separate one for the IV. and V. Classes.

	Class I.				Class	s III.	Class	IV.	·Clas	ss V.			Mean of Classes 1V. and V	
Ages	Obs.	Distance in Feet	Obs.	Distance in Feet	Obs.	Distance in Feet	Obs.	Distance in Feet	Obs.	Distance in Feet	Obs.	Distance in Feet	Obs.	Distance in Feet
10-14 15-19 20-24 25-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60 and upwds.	52 63 15 2 7 2 1	29·2 27·7 26·8 47·5 42·5 47·5 7·5 55·0	14 27 15 22 8 4	54·3 54·5 48·5 52·3 38·8 48·5 27·5	57 145 80 77 33 13	54·6 52·0 50·9 51·3 51·9 51·6 43·9	97 97 48 41 24 6	51·5 48·1 47·1 45·6 45·7 40·0	18 53 39 25 13 5	62·7 56·1 52·8 50·9 48·3 36·4 35·5	186 322 182 165 78 28	53·7 51·7 50·1 50·0 48·0 46·0 39·5	115 150 87 66 37 11 5	53·2 50·9 49·7 47·6 46·6 40·2 35·5
Total	144	-	91		412		313		158	V	974	_	471	-

¹ For the reasons stated below, it has not been considered necessary to give the Tables for Class I. in a separate form,

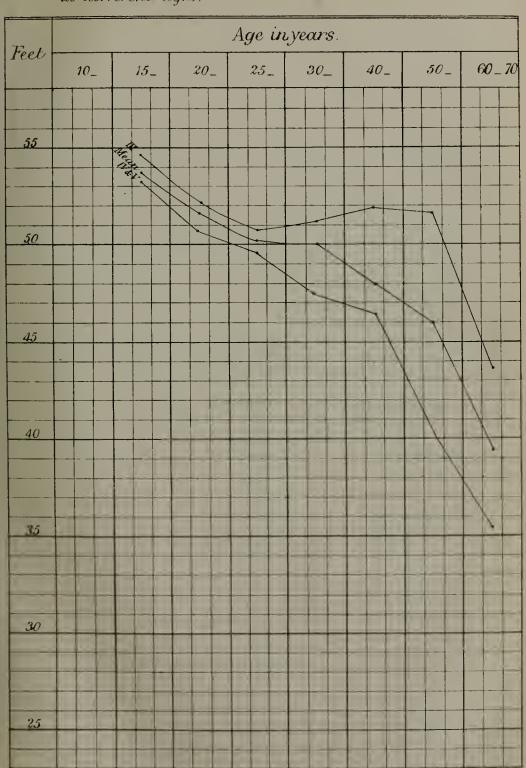
· The details in this table show that the distance at which the dots could be counted by those under 25 years of age in Class I. was about half that found for each of the other four classes, while above 25 this difference was greatly reduced. This discrepancy has arisen from the persons in Class I. having been examined in a hall where the space was limited and the light not very good; but it is so great as to prevent the numbers for the first class being combined with those for the other four in a general mean; consequently the latter only, which are sufficiently regular among themselves to justify the proceeding, have been employed for this purpose, and the results are given in the 6th column of the table. From this it appears that, in a mixed town and country population of 974, those from 15 to 19 could distinguish the test-dots at a mean distance of 53.7 feet; this diminished through 51.7 feet between 20 and 24, to 50.0 feet from 30 to 39; a decrease of 2 feet in ten years went on from 40 to 59; and after 60 this was nearly doubled. There is here an approximate measure of the reduction of the range of vision with advancing age, which, taking the distance the dots were visible from 15 to 19 as the unit, may be represented for the subsequent ages as follow:-

The influence of town or country occupations and surroundings may now be examined. Class III. may be taken to represent the latter, but it is advisable to combine Classes IV. and V., to increase the number as well as to embrace a greater variety of occupations, to illustrate the former. The results are given in the last column in the above table. Class II. includes persons in a different sphere of life from III., IV., and V., and their numbers are too few at present to afford a sufficient basis to work on; while Class I., as has been already mentioned, is not available. Taking the mean distance at which the dots were distinguished at 15 to 19 as the unit as above, the ranges at subsequent ages were as follow:—

Though Class III. embraces 412 individuals, it is evident from the course of the ratios from the ages of 30 to 59 that they are not sufficiently numerous to neutralise irregular fluctuations; nevertheless, when compared with those for Classes IV. and V. in the next line, there can be no doubt that country life and occupations are far less injurious to vision as age advances than residence in towns with its concomitant circumstances. As the smaller distance at which the dots were distinguished by persons under 19 in the towns than in the country may be due in a great measure to the difference in the brightness of illumination in these positions, it is prudent to postpone the consideration of how far people at that age have their vision affected by town life until sufficient material be accumulated. These facts will be readily appreciated by examining the diagram on Plate IV.

These remarks will afford a fair idea of the scope of the present inquiry; but many more observations, especially at the higher ages, are required to place the results on a firmer basis. With a sufficient number of observations the influence of any single occupation, or of a series of

Diagram showing the average distance at which dots *s inch square were distinguished by different classes at different ages.



III. Class III. Meun = Classes II to V. IV&V = Classes IV&V.

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occupations, involving the employment of the sight in a similar manner might be tested, and could afford materials for very important conclusions.

NOTE.—The conditions under which the acuteness of vision is tested have a marked influence on the results. The most favourable circumstances for bringing out the acuteness of vision in persons whose eyes are healthy, and their refracting power normal, are to view a dark body against a well-illuminated bright-coloured background some way behind it. For short distances the upright or wire of an iron fence; for greater distances a pole or flagstaff projected against the clear sky beyond, are suitable objects, from either of which the distance of the observer can The writer, for instance, though his vision is no longer so acute as formerly, can perceive distinctly at 200 yards' distance, in good daylight, the upright of an iron hurdle presenting a breadth of 0.36 inch from his point of observation, and projected against a newly gravelled walk; and, some years ago, he had frequent opportunities of observing a flagstaff, on a hill, the smallest part of which was not more than six inches in diameter, yet in favourable weather that was distinctly visible three miles off. The angle the object subtended at the eye in the former instance is 10".3, and in the latter 6".7, and in each case it was considerably within the extreme limit of vision. It will be observed, however, that though these objects were narrow, they were of considerable length, and this extension in a direction perpendicular to their smallest diameter enabled the eye to seize and retain the latter, while, had its length not exceeded its breadth there would have been far more difficulty in finding it in the first instance, and in keeping the eye fixed steadily on it afterwards. In practice objects which appear square or circular, as presented to the eye, cannot be distinguished under such small angles, and only become distinctly visible at distances proportionately much shorter. When they are dark, on a light ground in the same plane, the range of vision is reduced still more.

In arranging his test-types Snellen proceeded on the assumption that the normal eye could perceive an object subtending an angle of 1', and consequently he gave the lines forming his letters such a breadth that they should reach the eye under an angle of 1', when held at the distance indicated in the accompanying instructions; but to admit of the various parts of the letters being perceptible their height was fixed at 5', or five times the breadth of their limbs. These letters afford a very convenient practical test of the various alterations the sight may have undergone; but, as will appear immediately, owing to their forms and the small distance between their different parts, they are not adapted for determining quantitatively its greatest range under normal conditions. The test-dots which were introduced originally to ascertain the fitness of recruits for military service seem better suited for this purpose, though, as they were employed to ensure the minimum range of vision required for military service, which is far within that of the ordinary healthy eye,

their capabilities were never fully considered or developed.

A single test-dot, say a square of $\frac{1}{5}$ of an inch of a side, will be visible as far as any combination of them in which the single dots are distinguishable; their arrangement in groups is merely to provide a check on the person under trial, by varying the number exposed and requiring him to count them; but when investigating the extreme limit of vision a difficulty arises here, which did not present itself when

TABLE XI. CLASS II.—Age and Strength of Sight (distance at which dots 3-inch square have been distinguished).

Total		91		1
-09		1	27.5	27.5
55-		က	45.5	48.5
-09			57.5	48
45-		ಣ	35.8	38.8
40-		73	40.5	<u> </u>
35-	1	9	51.7	52.3
30-		16	52.5	52
25-		15	48.5	48.5
24-		9	2.99	
23-	- - - - -	70	43.5	
25-		က	52.5	54.5
21-		2	44.6	
20-	.	9	64.2	
19-		70	55.5	
18-		4	51.3	
17-		41	55.0	54.3
16-				
15 yrs		-	57.5	
Feet	0- 5- 10- 15- 20- 25- 35- 40- 40- 45- 50- 55- 60- 65- 77- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 80- 85- 85- 80- 85- 85- 85- 85- 85- 85- 85- 85- 85- 85		Average for each year	And for five and ten yearly periods

CLASS III.—Age and Strength of Sight (distance at which dots 1-inch square have been distinguished). TABLE XII.

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	t-	43.0	6.87
	4	38.8	9.
	6	57.5	51.6
- - - - -	7	8.97	6
61 63 85 75 6 33 75	-96-	53.3	51.9
	34	50.4	င့
	43	52.0	51.3
	08	50.9	50.9
	24	49.2	
	22	52.3	
	193	53.6	52.0
	49	52.5	
	27	51.8	
	25	54.7	
	20	<u> </u>	4.5
	10		54.6
	23		
		1	<u></u>
0- 5- 10- 115- 20- 20- 30- 35- 40- 45- 45- 45- 55- 60- 65- 770- 770- 85- 80- 85- 90- 95- 100 and upwards	Totals	Averages for each year	And for five and ten yearly periods
		00-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-1	1

Tarle XIII. Class IV.—Age and Strength of Sight (distance at which dots 5-inch square have been distinguished).

Total	6 1 1 1 3 3 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	313	47-2	
-09				
55-		es	29.5	o l
-09		2.5	20.8	10.0
15-		t-a	38.9	i-
40-		17	48.5	15.7
35-		33	47.9	9
30-	a) a) rc a1 51 to to to to to to to to	28	44.5	45.6
25-		48	47.1	47.1
24-	31 32 33 34	16	14.1	
23-		12	53.9	
22-	מ מממннаааа н	18	48.3	48.1
21-	[- or 4 = = = or or or -	61	43.0	
20-		53	51.5	
19-		24	52.5	
18-	HH	97	51.2	
17-		25.	8.09	51.5
16-	11111111111	-	52.5	
15 yrs	11111111-1111111111111111	-	42.5	
Feet	20- 10- 15- 20- 30- 30- 30- 35- 40- 45- 55- 55- 60- 60- 60- 60- 60- 60- 60- 100- 110- 11	Totals	Averages for each year	And for five and ten yearly periods

TABLE XIV. CLASS V.—Age and Strength of Sight (distance at which dots 1-inch square have been distinguished).

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Total	n	158	1	1
-09		šo	35.5	35.5
55-		ଡ ।	30.0	36.4
50-		က	40.8	, i
45-	[] ==	×	45.6	go -
40-	[20	52.5	48.3
35-		13	16.0	6
30-		12	56.3	50.9
25-	4 00 01 50 04	33	52.8	52.8
24-		2	56.1	
23-		∞	51.3	•
22-		15	5.92	56-1
21-	[11	9.92	
-02	1386	12	58.3	
10-		9	6.99	
18-		∞	67.5	2.29
17 yrs		4	47.5	
	0- 5 10- 115- 20- 30- 35- 40- 46- 55- 60- 65- 60- 86- 86- 90- 90- 90- 90- 90- 90- 90- 90- 90- 90	•	sh year .	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text{and ten} \\ \text{s} \end{array}\right\}$
Feet	250- 100- 100- 100- 100- 100- 100- 100- 1	Totals .	Averages for each year	And for five and ten yearly periods

recruits only were concerned, viz., the distance at which dots of the same size appear separate to the eye, and can be counted, varies with the space between them. Four rows of dots of 1-inch square were placed on a card; those of the first row were separated from each other by spaces of the same size left blank; in the second row each dot was separated from those in its vicinity by $\frac{2}{5}$ of an inch; in the third row the distance of each dot from any other was \frac{3}{5} of an inch, and in the fourth row 4 of an inch; and a single dot was placed on one side 1.5 inch from the nearest one in the rows. These were exposed in the open air, on a bright day, in a situation affording a clear range of about 90 feet; at that distance from the card the single dot was quite perceptible, and those in the first, second, and third rows had the appearance of continued lines. On approaching the card the dots in the fourth row could be counted at 82 feet, those in the third at 74, in the second at 58, and in the first only at 36 feet. The ordinary cards of dots, therefore, on which these are separated by spaces varying from one to a little over two diameters can only give a comparative test of the acuteness of vision among those examined, and not an absolute one such as a card with intervals of not less than five times the diameter of the dots between every two of them would afford. Dots so arranged could not be grouped readily, but they could be shown in varying numbers to the person under trial, and his replies would indicate whether he were able to distinguish them.

Mr. Roberts's Report on the Observations on Eyesight and Colour-blindness made at Marlborough College by the Rev. T. A. Preston.

The difficulty experienced by many observers of obtaining sufficient space and light for testing the eyesight by the test-dots (which are distinguishable to the normal eye in good daylight at a distance of 19 yards) has induced the Committee to use Snellen's test-types, No. 1 and No. 10, as more convenient and trustworthy. No. 1 is a small type visible to the normal eye at the ordinary reading distance of from 12 to 20 inches, and No. 10 is a large thick type ½th of an inch square, dis-

tinguishable by the normal eye at a distance of 10 feet.

The Rev. T. A. Preston, one of the masters at Marlborough College, has examined the eyesight and colour-sense of the whole of the boys and some of the masters at present in the College, and the following is an analysis of his returns. The observations include the age, the colour of the iris, the eyesight as tested by No. 1 and No. 10, and the letters composed of horizontal and vertical lines for astigmatism; and the colour-sense as tested by the methods of Dr. Daae and Professor Holmgren (and in a few instances by the solar spectrum), according to the book of tests which I have prepared for the use of the Committee ('The Detection of Colour-blindness and Imperfect Eyesight': Bogue).

AGE.—The ages of the boys range from 11 to 19 years, and those of the masters from 20 to 50 years, five of the latter being over 40 years.

COLOUR OF EYES.—The following Table shows the colour of the eyes

of the boys and masters under 40 years of age, divided into two groups—those who are under and those who are above the age of 15 years.

Colour of Eyes	Under 15	Over 15	Total			
Dark blue Blue Light blue Grey Brown grey (green) Light brown (hazel) Dark brown	$ \begin{array}{c cccc} No. & Per cent. \\ 2 & 9 \\ 62 & 28\cdot1 \\ 32 & 14\cdot5 \\ 48 & 21\cdot7 \\ 23 & 10\cdot4 \\ 52 & 23\cdot5 \\ 2 & 9 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c c} No. & Per cent. \\ 7 & 1.9 \\ 98 & 27.9 \\ 51 & 14.4 \\ 72 & 20.3 \\ 36 & 10.1 \\ 83 & 23.4 \\ 7 & 2.0 \\ \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c c} \text{No.} & \text{Per cent.} \\ 9 & 1.5 \\ 160 & 27.8 \\ 83 & 14.4 \\ 120 & 21.0 \\ 59 & 10.3 \\ 135 & 23.5 \\ 9 & 1.5 \\ \end{array} $			

From the similarity of the percentages of the two periods it would appear that little change takes place in the colour of the iris after the age of 15 years, as the dark eyes are barely one per cent. greater in the later than the earlier period. The proportion of fair to dark eyes is 64.7 to 35.3, or about two fair to one of dark complexion.

Colour-blindness.—Of the 600 boys and masters, 15, or 2.5 per cent. were found to be colour-blind, a proportion which has been found to exist elsewhere in the same class of boys, and about half that which exists in the uneducated classes. The following table shows the nature of the chromatic defect, and the condition of the eyesight and the colour of the hair and iris.

No.	Age	Colour of Hair	Colour of Eyes	Colour- blindness		Test- type No. 10	Astigmatism.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	12-8 12-4 14-1 15-4 16 17 17-3 14-2 14-3 14-11 16-2 17-0 13 17-4 28	Light brown.	Dark grey Light blue Blue Grey Dark brown Dark blue Blue Light brown Blue Light brown Light blue Light brown	Red-blind . Red-blind . Red-blind . Red-blind . Red-blind . Red-blind . Green-blind Green-blind Green-blind Green-blind Imperfect . Imperfect .	in. 16 13 18 18 16 17 21 15 29 20 19 22 16 18 28	ft. 11 7 4 8 3½ 10 13 7 15 9 12 12 6 7 13	Horizontal Vertical Horizontal Horizontal Vertical Horizontal Vertical Horizontal

Having observed in my private examinations that colour-blindness was very frequent in persons with red hair, Mr. Preston has furnished me with the colour of the hair in his cases. The Table of the relative prevalence of different coloured hair published in the Anthropometric Committee's Report for 1880 shows that red hair prevails in the professional classes (in which are included the Marlborough boys) to the extent of 9.06 per cent., while in conjunction with complete colour-blindness in the above Table it exists to the extent of 41.7 per cent. Light-coloured eyes are slightly in excess, and imperfect eyesight is more prevalent among the

colour-blind, but the number of observations are too few to form any safe conclusion on these heads.

EYESIGHT.—The following Tables show the quality of the eyesight as tested by Snellen's test-types.

NEAR VISION.—The Distance at which Test-type No. 1 can be read.1

Distance	Marlborough Boys Mast												
in			A	lge la	st Bi	rthdag	У			A	ge	Total	Per cent.
literies	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20-40	40-50		
0 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 1.8 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36		2 1 6 4 4 6 2 - -	1 3 5 13 14 15 12 3 1 2 —		1 1 1 2 5 9 17 24 30 21 14 11 3 2 1		- - 2 3 2 1 6 7 14 9 11 3 4 1	1 1 2 1 2 4 5 4 1 2 -			1 1 1 1 1	1 2 7 6 13 25 34 71 84 -121 - 87 70 38 24 12 3 1 1	$ \begin{array}{c c} $
	11	25	69	117	142	121	64	23	5	18	5	600	10 0.
Average	_	17.7	18.9	19.0	19.4	20.1	_	21.8	19.0	$22\cdot1$	11.4	_	

¹ Specimen of Test-type No. 1.—(12 inches.)

437, 35, 66, 680, 956, 8634, 473, 533, 3536, 4303. During the minority of Queen Mary, the Palace of Holyrood was burnt, as well as the city, by the Euglish forces under the Earl of Hertford; soon after, it was regained and enlarged beyond its present size. At that time it is said to have consisted of no fewer than five courts, the most westerly of which was the largest. Great part of the Palace of Holyrood Honse was burnt by the soldiers of Cromwell; but, at the Restoration, it was

DISTANT VISION.—The Distance at which Test-type No. 10 can be read.

			N	Iarlbo	rougl	Boy		Mas	ters				
Distance in feet			A	ge la	st Bir	thday	7			Ag	ge	Total	Per cent.
1666	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20-40	40-50		
1 1 2 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 20 22					6 5 2 3 4 3 5 10 17 28 17 16 14 4 4 4 4 7 1	2 6 8 5 4 2 2 6 10 8 16 12 13 9 8 6 2 1 1	5 1 3 1 3 3 5 14 9 3 4 4 4 4 1 1 1	1 -2 -3 -2 4 1 2 -4 1 -1 -1	1 	1 1 - 1 - 1 2 4 2 - 1 1 1 1 1	1 	5 23 22 13 9 17 15 32 47 62 95 80 68 44 28 21 9 4 1	** 3.8 3.7 2.0 1.5 3.0 2.5 5.2 8.0 10.3 15.8 13.3 11.3 7.3 4.7 3.5 1.5 .7 .7 .2 .2 .2
Total	11	25	69	117	142	121	64	23	5	18	5	600	100
Average	10.0	9.4	9.5	10.0	9.6	. 9.1	9.4	10.2	8.0	_			
		9.6					9.2		10.5	6.5			

¹ Specimen of Test-type No. 10.—(10 feet.)

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Judging by the averages it would seem that the near sight (as tested by No. 1) improves from year to year up to 40, but this apparent improvement is probably due to the greater ease with which the type is read by the elder pupils and masters. From the great distances at which the No. 1 type has been read, it is probable that considerable efforts have been made to distinguish it at the greatest possible distance rather than at the distance at which it could be read with ease and fluency. The curve formed by the whole number of observations at all ages is remarkably uniform, the 'mean' being at 20 inches, and the corresponding groups above and below the mean being nearly identical in value. Normal near vision exists in 51.7 per cent., while 39.4 are above, and 8.9 per cent. below the average.

The averages do not show any change in the distant vision (as tested by No. 10) up to the age of 40 years, a result which contrasts favourably with similar observations made in German schools and universities, where short-sight has been found to increase rapidly with the extended period of education. The curve formed by the total number of observations is, however, irregular, and consists of two curves having a chief mean at

10-11 feet, and a minor one at 2-3 feet. This latter curve is due to the accession after the age of 13 years of an abnormal amount of imperfect eyesight (short-sight and over-sight) which is too slight relatively to the total number of observations to influence the averages. 39.4 per cent. possess normal distant vision, while 30.1 per cent. are above, and 30.5 per cent. below the average.

ASTIGMATISM.—Tested by means of the letters composed of horizontal and vertical lines, 68.2 per cent. of the Marlborough boys and masters are returned as more or less astigmatic, or in the proportion of nearly two to one; the ratio of the horizontal to the vertical defect being 1 to 1.2. Mr. Preston is not quite satisfied with the result of his observations on this subject, as he had no means of checking the statements of the boys.

IGNORANCE OF THE NAMES OF COLOURS.—In a recent report on the examination of 27,927 school-children for colour-blindness by Dr. Joy Jeffries, in America, the following remark on this subject occurs: 'Experience has abundantly shown me that but very few boys of the grammar or higher schools are familiar with colour-names of even the primary colours, and that still less can they correctly apply those names they do remember when shown coloured objects. Although prepared for this ignorance on the part of the boys to a certain extent, I confess I was astonished to find it so frequent and great. It seems almost impossible that a bright boy of fourteen, not colour-blind, should not know the word green or be able to apply it. Yet this does not give an extreme idea of the truth in reference to the ignorance of colour-names and their application among schoolboys.' Being desirous to know if our English public school-boys are as ignorant of colour-names and their application as the boys of the same class in America, I submitted the above sentence to Mr. Preston, and the following is his reply: 'I cannot agree with Dr. Jeffries as to ignorance of colour-names. By this I mean reds, greens, &c. Of course mauve, magenta, &c., and what are called drapers' colours are not often known, but I have certainly had no difficulty in getting the names of the common colours. In fact it was quite the exception to meet with a boy who could not tell the names fairly well. The whole of the boys who proved to be colour-blind, except one, knew of their defect, and another boy was under the impression that he was colour-blind, but turned out on examination not to be so.'

Report of the Committee, consisting of Professor Leone Levi, Mr. Stephen Bourne, Mr. Brittain, Dr. Hancock, Professor Jevons, and Mr. F. P. Fellows, appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting on the present Appropriation of Wages, and other sources of income, and considering how far it is consonant with the economic progress of the people of the United Kingdom. Drawn up by Professor Leone Levi.

If it were possible to ascertain, with any approach to accuracy, the present appropriation of wages and other sources of income of the people of the United Kingdom, it would certainly be of the greatest utility, as it would afford a valuable aid in the consideration of some of those great problems which meet us on every side in our social economy. There are, in truth,