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Yet before they believed already.

389 "Le besoin du merveilleux est presque fatal chez les faibles d'esprit". Legrain

395 396 397: A very good psychological study of Peladan.

398 X Very important. On the conscious and unconscious in man; as whether Peladán is serious or not. Nordau compares this to a child playing with dolls, and treating as babies, yet knowing them dolls.

403 Sensations of vague fear characteristic of degenerates. Quotes from Dostoevski, Legrain, Kowalewski. Legrain du Saule and Morel who call it *panophobie*. Magnan calls it *anxiomanie* and declares it a very usual stigma of degeneration. A man puts the fear he feels outside him in the exterior world.

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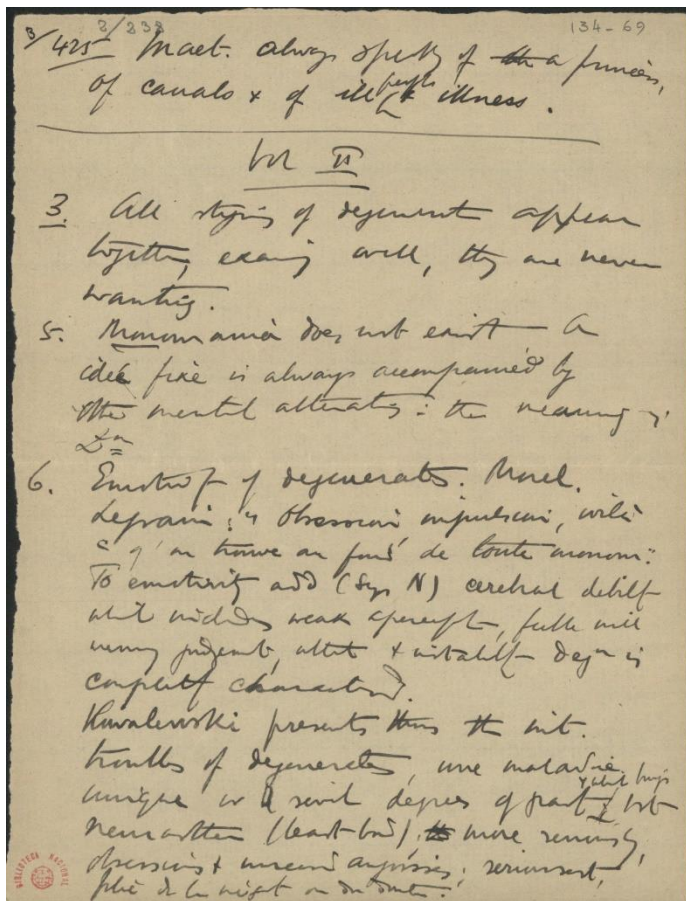
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425 Maeterlinck always speaking of the a princess, of canals and of ill people and illness.

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3. All stigmas of degeneration appear together, examining well, they are never wanting.

5. Monomania does not exist. A *idée fixe* is always accompanied by other mental alterations: their meaning is Degeneration.

6 Emotivity of degenerates. Morel. Legrain: "obsession, impulsions, voilà ce qu'on trouve au fond de toute monomanie". To emotivity add (says Nordau) cerebral debility which includes weak apperception, feeble will, memory, judgment, attention and instability - degeneration is completely characterized.

Kowalewski presents thus intellectual troubles of degenerates, une maladie unique or several degrees of gravity, which brings: 1st neurasthenia (least bad); the more seriously, obsessions and unreasonable angouisses; seriousest, folie de la négation ou du doute.

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