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WAR TO THE DEATH ON HOUSE FLY

Why it is a Deadly Foe and How it May Be Combated—Greater Enemy to Mankind Than the Rat

(Toronto Mail and Empire)
Long ago The Mail and Empire called attention to the formidable indictment of the house fly by British and American medical men, and since then this journal has watched with great satisfaction the general awakening of the people of Toronto to the dangers of this pest. We can even look forward to the time predicted by Sir James Crispin Brown, the eminent sanitary authority, when an agent will take his child to the British Museum there to show him the only surviving specimen of the house fly. According to Sir Ray Lankester we know enough now to abolish all epidemic disease with in fifty years if we would perseveringly put into general practice the preventive measures ready to hand. One of the first of them would be the destruction of the fly, which is a greater enemy to mankind than even the rat.

Unparalleled in Nature
It is along this line that Dr. Hastings writes in the Canadian Home Journal. He gives a history of the fly from the time the egg is laid until the winged messenger of disease emerges to perform its mission of destruction. He identifies the ground for the fly is stable refuse. The female fly's instinct teaches her that the warmth of this decomposing matter is necessary for the hatching of the eggs, while the matter itself nourishes the larvae once the eggs hatch. The hatching process continues from eighteen to thirty hours, and the resulting larvae or white maggots undergo two moults before attaining full size, the third coat being of a reddish color. Dr. Hastings says that the change from larvae to fly is without parallel in the animal kingdom. By means of an inflated sac on the top of its head the larva extrudes its body, and the full grown fly appears in eight or ten days from the time the eggs were laid.

Counting the Fies
A generation of flies is produced in a little more than a week. Dr. Hastings calculated that one wintered-over fly is capable of producing progeny numbering 14,072,220,000,000. A female fly lays between 125 and 150 eggs at a time, and repeats the operation from time to time in a summer. August and September are the favorite breeding months of the fly, untold trillions being born in these months in order to provide a sufficient number to survive the approaching cold weather, and produce the flies for the next generation. The legs of the fly are covered with microscopic hairs, on which germs find lodgment. The habits of the insect do the rest. It is an unwearying prover, and if any food is left unattended, flies will be there depositing bacteria by the thousand at every step. Apart from this mechanical means of spreading disease, the tiny fly speaks have been found to contain hostile germs.

More Deadly Than Bullets
The case against the house fly has been built up mainly on the ground of the past fifteen years. Observations were made by United States surgeons at the time of the Spanish-American war, when fewer than 300 Americans were killed in battle, while nearly 5,000 died of typhoid. The earlier idea was that the house fly was largely responsible for the typhoid, but a British surgeon who was with the troops in South Africa declared that the house fly would convert a single case of enteric due to bad water into an epidemic. It was noticed that when the cold nights killed off the flies there was an instant diminution in the number of fresh cases. The remarkably low death rate from typhoid in the Japanese army was achieved by the sanitary measures enforced, which deprived the flies of their necessary breeding grounds.

Preventive Measures
Dr. Hastings recommends that all refuse from home and stable should be removed twice a week, and until removal can be kept in airtight tin receptacles. This double duty was followed when we might get rid of our flies in a single summer, for they cannot breed except in filth. This summer, however, would have to include the country districts as well as the cities. It is in the former that the worst sanitary conditions obtain, and apart from the larger centres, the operations of local boards of health are not very effective. The ordinary farmyard the stable manure is likely to remain undisturbed for a year, and one barnyard could house more flies than the rest of the country could use.

BROTHERS KILLED IN AEROPLANE FLIGHT

Schastopol, May 2.—Canadian Press.—The military aviator Matveitch and his brother were killed yesterday while making an aeroplane flight.

IN PARLIAMENT

Ottawa, May 1.—After a couple of hours' preliminary talk on the comparative figures of emigration from and emigration to the United States, apropos of a mid attempt, led by the leader of the opposition, to show that the exodus to the States was by no means stopped, the commons today got back to the reciprocity debate. The Liberal side of the case was practically closed by Mr. Turill, who in a trenchant speech of forty-five minutes, gave the western farmer's view of the economics of reciprocity, offered irrefutable facts and figures as to the net results of the agreement, and wound up with the statement that from the political standpoint the best thing that could happen to the Liberal party would be to have the Conservatives continue their present policy of fighting the agreement into the next parliament. "If you do," he said, "I am positive there will be a good many of you who won't warm a seat in the next parliament." And immediately after the challenge was taken up by Mr. Sharpe, of Ligon, Manitoba, who with a bluntness and frankness that his leader did not venture upon last week, declared: "The Conservative party in this house will not allow this agreement to be voted on until it has been submitted to the people."

MARKED GROWTH OF SHIPPING IN GERMANY

Mercantile Marine Greater by Million Tons Than in 1901—Growth of Country as Industrial Power Chief Cause

Hamburg, May 1.—The striking growth of Germany's mercantile marine is best shown in net tonnage, the difference between 1901 and 1909 being more than a million tons, and the number of steamships growing from 1390 to 1800. Among the causes given for the development are the steady tide of emigration, the transformation from a comparatively small producing country to one of the leading industrial powers of the world, the large supply of cheap and excellent seamen, the geographical situation, and the special freight rates on goods sent from the interior of Germany for shipment over sea.

One explanation sometimes advanced is the policy of shipping subsidies, but this assistance is not considered an important factor by such an expert as Mr. Hülshorn, the general secretary of the Hamburg-American line. In an interview with Robert P. Skinner, the United States consul general here, who has been collecting data in connection with German shipping matters for report to his government, Mr. Hülshorn said that Germany was doing very little in regard to paying subsidies with the exception of the exportation of \$100,000 per annum for the assistance of the lines running to the far east, East Africa and Australia.

The opinion is also made that stress should not be laid on the indirect subsidy, such as export rates allowed on land shipments, as those tariffs are not restricted to goods intended only for German steamers. That appon of discrimination to all goods intended for over sea. In this connection, however, Mr. Skinner has observed that the real benefits of the tariff are enjoyed almost exclusively by the German liners, and in addition the special rates serve the purpose of diverting to Hamburg and Bremen business which would otherwise go forward via Rotterdam, Antwerp and other non-German ports. He has been unable to determine whether the German cargo boats have opened up new markets, and if so whether such markets have stimulated ship building in Germany. The prosperity of the nation's mercantile marine may be measured by the fact that the annual reports of the North German Lloyd and Hamburg-American lines, which show increased dividends, are now being used by the German government to some of the leading men in Germany's transportation.

The opinion has been expressed that the excessive building of ships throughout the world without necessarily intelligent prevision, and the systems of transportation generally, are not calculated to measure the needs of the future. That appon of Germany shipping which largely depends upon the continuance of emigration to the United States should be affected also by restrictive legislation in America. The fact is well worth noting in Germany shipping that the country is engaged in a larger measure than might be understood in an entirely non-German carrying trade, such as the trade between the United States and Mediterranean ports, and between the United States and the West Indies and South America.

According to Mr. Skinner's estimate, the fleet on ground as bright by night as it is by day. More than 40,000 electric lamps will be employed in order to outline the six colonial buildings, while the principal kiosks will be treated in the same way.

A Novel Dish
Among the activities of the hospitality committee is included the entertainment of the overseas forces, colonial soldiers sent to this country to attend the coronation. Probably on June 12 a party of ten thousand men will go by special train to the Crystal Palace. Sir Abe Bailey, K. C., M. G. has consented to bear the cost of the luncheon, and in order to provide what may be described as a novel dish of reunion he has called to South Africa for sixty-five sprigbok to be sent over.

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SAVED LIFE BY ROLLING

New York, May 2.—Presence of mind saved Mrs. J. Monroe from being burned to death in her home on the River road, in Yonkers. A lamp which had been filled too full of oil exploded, and her clothing caught fire.

Relatives who were in the room became panic-stricken and fled. Mrs. Monroe, keeping her nerve, threw herself on the floor and rolled back and forth as rapidly as she could. The blaze was quickly extinguished, and she escaped with slight burns. The apartment, however, caught fire, and engines had to be called.

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COLOSSAL STATUE OF KING GEORGE

His Majesty Will Overlook Festival of Empire—Fifty British Giants and Other Novel Features for Great Occasion

London, May 1.—A promising young sculptor, Arthur Rogers, A. R. C. A. C., is now engaged upon the creation of a colossal bronze statue of King George V. This, mounted upon a lofty pedestal, will stand at the summit of the main steps leading to the grounds of the Crystal Palace. Thus His Majesty will seem to be always overlooking the Festival of the Empire. The king will be represented wearing his coronation robes and holding his sceptre in his hand.

50 British Gai's
The announcement that a gigantic display of physical culture and gymnastics would be given at the Crystal Palace in connection with the Festival of Empire caused a giant with a grievance to walk in to the office of the Entertainment Department. "Why cannot you give a display of the tallest men of the empire?" he asked, and was told that the department would be pleased to arrange the function if a big brigade of Britons could be got together. The caller, who stands 6 feet 4½ inches in height, went off in high glee, and worked with such a will that he quickly got together a band of seventy men all over six feet tall. The loftiest of the band stands 6 feet 9½ inches, and the most ponderous has a chest measurement of 34 inches. One man standing exactly seven feet, called at the festival offices.

Armored Knights
The council of the Festival of Empire has selected 200 horses, which will figure in the Pageant of London and Empire. Others will be obtained, put this first big display of the Festival of Empire. The horses are now being collected. The animals are mostly of a fairly heavy type for the use of knights in armor. Sixty grooms have been engaged to attend to the steeds in specially erected stables in the grounds. A well known gentleman has offered to ride the streets of London clad in a full suit of real gleaming armor, and accompanied by a squad of others in medieval costumes. Further, on certain days, other mounted pageants will form plectrums at the principal London railway stations.

Searchlights Over London
The council of the festival has decided to have two searchlights, each of 20,000 candle power, on the north and south transepts of the Crystal Palace. Tests are now being made to determine whether or not a hill interferes with the north light shining on the lower lying parts of London. If any hill should be discovered, the northern searchlight will be thrown from the top of the centre transept. To operate these searchlights, a battery of 200 feet, special motor generators are being installed, and the beams will be spun for twenty-five hours. Twelve other searchlights, of rather less power, have been fitted in order to make the festival ground as bright by night as it is by day. More than 40,000 electric lamps will be employed in order to outline the six colonial buildings, while the principal kiosks will be treated in the same way.

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MEN AND RELIGION.

A meeting of the general committee of the Men and Religion Forward Movement was held last night in the Y. M. C. A. building. Rev. G. A. Kulhning presiding. During the evening the following resolution was passed: Resolved that this meeting express its approval of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, and feels that it would be of great advantage to our city to be identified with the movement as one of the most central points; and Whereas the committee of eleven appointed at the meeting held in St. David's church in November last has not been able to effect as yet the organization of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, and Resolved that the matter be referred again to the committee of eleven to complete the organization of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, and that only those who be appointed on the committee who consent to act. The Men and Religion Forward Movement contemplates an effort to bring in men and boys to the service of Christ. It will be taken part by all the churches, the Y. M. C. A. and the other religious organizations of the whole continent, and will extend from September, 1911, to May, 1912.

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FIVE PEOPLE ARE DROWNED IN UPPER ST. JOHN RIVER

Edmundston, N. B., May 1.—Five people were swept to death this evening in the St. John river as the result of a freak of a wire cable which held a scow boat used as a ferry between the Canadian and American sides of the river. The list includes:—
A Frenchman named Hebert.
A Frenchman named DaFort.
An unknown man.
Two Indians named respectively Mahobita and Phillips.
About 7 o'clock the men and boys with a man named Daible embarked on the American side and were crossing the river when the cable broke and the wire striking the scow swamped it. All the occupants were thrown out, but Daible managed to cling to the scow until he was rescued although in an exhausted condition. The others were thrown some feet from the scow and were swept down the river. The accident was seen by a number of Edmundston residents and an alarm was given.

Massovitz was a Hebrew lad, whose Phillips is a son of the former C. P. R. station agent here. Both boys were about 15 years of age.
The Frenchmen DaFort and Hebert had it is believed, been working on the American side of the river.

George Beards, in the employ of the G. T. P., at Baker Lake, fell from a trestle on which he was working, fracturing several ribs and sustaining internal injuries. He was taken to the hospital at St. Basil, where he died tonight. He belongs to Notre Dame, P. Q., and leaves a wife and children.

OBITUARY

William Barry
John Barry, Rockland Road, has received word of the death of his brother, William, in Portland, Me. He is survived by three sons, James, John and Herbert, at home and two daughters, Margaret, at home, and Mrs. Donovan, of Bangor. Interment will take place in Petersville, where Mr. Barry formerly resided.

Daniel Slocum
The death occurred at Waterborough, Queens county, yesterday, of Daniel Slocum, a lifelong resident of that place. He was seventy-three years of age and was widely known throughout the district, and his death will be regretted by many friends and relatives. He leaves five sons and five daughters, also a brother and two sisters. Three of the sons are at home, Frederick W., the eldest, is in Apple River (N. S.), and C. W. Slocum, of St. John, is a son. Two of his daughters are Mrs. Robert Kennedy, of Young's Cove, and Mrs. F. Granville, of Newcastle. The other three are in the United States. Mr. Slocum's eldest brother, William, died about a month ago. The funeral will take place at Waterborough on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Thomas Downie
Mrs. Thomas Downie, of Harvey, died suddenly there on Sunday. Her husband works in Fredericton, and she was alone with the children at the time they went to her room and found her dead. Dr. Atkinson pronounced heart disease the cause of death. She was twenty-nine years of age and was formerly Miss Anderson of Waterford.

Leland Covey
Leland Covey, a 10-year-old boy of Beaufort, N. B., has fed birds at his dining-room window all winter. He has placed food, seed and butter on a plate and chickadees, nuthatches and sparrows have come daily for their meals.

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