

FLY TIME

By The Executive Officer Of The Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission

Have you noticed that with the first three or four warm days of Spring in most houses a few flies heard buzzing about? Where did these flies come from? Ask any school boy who has been observant and he will tell you that behind the picture hanging in the living room, along the joists or floor in the cellar, or hugging close to the chimney as it passes through the attic, that there will be found a number of lazy, stupid but living flies. In this climate about the middle of October 'the little flies go to sleep' as the children say, taking a long Winter's nap. With the warm days of Spring they awake, the body of the female bulging with eggs. Madam Fly soon seeks a favourable place in which she may deposit her eggs. From these few female flies that spent the winter sleeping lazily indoors or within stables, come the earliest flies of the season. SWAT THEM. One of them swatted may mean millions fewer in the community during the season. Flies swatted in May and June and flies swatted in October and November are killed at the right season to help save the community from filth diseases.

"Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth."

The progeny of Mr. and Mrs. Fly during a single summer is enormous. Mrs. Fly awakening today (the 18th day of May) and depositing her copious crop of at least 150 eggs in stable manure or other suitable filth will have increased the fly population of the country

by June 9th by	120
by June 30th by	7,200
by July 21st by	432,000
by August 11th by	25,920,000
by September 1st by	1,555,200,000
by September 22nd by	93,312,000,000
and by October 13th to	5,598,720,000,000

One pair of flies swatted on May 16th would have prevented the enormous progeny. It would have been equally efficient to have so eliminated breeding places that there would have been no available opportunity for hatching the eggs on May 18th. Literally stable manure hatches the eggs. The sanitary lessons are two. Swat and kill the first fly seen early in the season, and clean up properties, lots and stables so that no places are available for flies to breed. Cover and keep tightly covered all garbage cans during the fly season.

Because a girl refuses a young man you needn't suppose it's a sign that she isn't going to marry him.

Marrying an heiress is almost as unsatisfactory as any other get-rich-quick scheme.

The self-made man at least relieves Providence of the responsibility.

Some things are worth waiting for, but it pays to go after others.

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All geniuses are more or less eccentric. Some have been known to pay their debts.

If mirrors portrayed us as others see us we wouldn't use them.

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"Trade figures issued at Washington for March encourage the hope that the exchange situation between Canada and the United States is in process of righting itself," says the Ottawa Journal. "Imports from North America, which practically means Canada, had a total of \$92,112,446 and exports \$96,255,670. The excess of exports was but \$4,143,233. For the nine months ended March, exports to North America fell off by \$248,131,000, while imports from this side of the line decreased by but \$14,895,000. These figures point to an important adjustment of the balance of trade in our favour, and they must, if that ratio as between exports and imports continues, affect rate of exchange materially. The demand for American dollars falls with the proportion of exports and imports between the two countries, and that proportion appears to be swinging rapidly away from the high adverse balance against Canada which prevailed during the closing years of the war."

If a girl makes a mistake in marrying, it's either because she is too young to know better or because she is too old to do better.

W. C. T. U.

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Let us not judge one another any more, but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way. RM. 14:81.

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Such an idea has undoubtedly been got from the instructions given to collectors to issue warrants for unpaid taxes at the above date.

But for the information of the ratepayers, I may say that the taxes are due when the first notice of amount due is given by the collectors, and any further time given for payment is a matter of arrangement between the ratepayers and collectors.

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