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About the House.

THE BUFFALO CARPET BEETLE.

Mrs. J. M., Halton Co., Ont., has sent some specimens, which she found when house-cleaning in a clothes-room. They are different stages of this very destructive enemy of the housekeeper, which is now commonly found in all parts of the country. The hairy grubs that were sent are the larval form and work in carpets, woollen clothes, furs, and other fabrics. At this time of year the beetles, which are tiny little creatures, black in color with a red stripe down the middle of the back, are frequently found in the flowers of tulips and the blossoms of mountain ash, horse-chestnut, etc. They come into the houses through the open windows, and usually lay their eggs in the carpet nearest where they enter. These soon hatch out into black oval worms, covered with short, stiff bristles. These creatures are very hard to get rid of when they have become numerous in the house. It is a good plan to protect the windows with fine mosquito netting to prevent their coming in. If they are already in the house, all the carpets and rugs should be taken up regularly and thoroughly beaten out-of-doors. After sweeping, the floor should be scalded with hot water, and, when dry, the cracks may be treated with benzine or gasoline. In chests, drawers, trunks, etc., it has been found useful to keep either moth balls or small bags containing ground cloves, the smell of which will prevent the beetles coming in, but these materials will not kill the worms if they are already there. If the carpet is found to be infested after shaking and relaying, it is a good plan to lay a damp towel on the edge of the carpet and iron it with a very hot iron. The steam thus produced will cook and thus destroy any eggs that may remain. By going round the edges of the carpet in this way, a large number of the eggs will, no doubt, be destroyed.

In case of infested trunks or chests, an excellent plan is to procure some bisulphide of carbon. Lay a saucer on top of the contents, pour a few tablespoonfuls of the liquid into the saucer, and close tightly. This should be left for 48 hours, and then opened, either in a room with a thorough draft through it, or out-of-doors, in order to carry off the fumes. It must be borne in mind that the fumes from this substance are very inflammable, and, when mixed with air, explosive. Care must be taken, therefore, not to use it where there is any fire or light of any kind. The safest plan is to employ this remedy in an out-building, where there is no danger from a lamp or other fire. The specimens found in a mud-hornet's nest belong to a similar insect, another species of Anthrenus, the genus to which the Buffalo carpet beetle belongs. These may have been put in by the hornet as food for the young, but more probably they found their way in themselves in order to feed on the contents.

C. J. S. BETHUNE.

O. A. C., Guelph, Ont.

MOSQUITOES.

(Condensed from a Bulletin issued by the New Jersey Exp. Station.)

Within recent years, an unusual interest has been developed in the destruction of mosquitoes, on account of the fact that they are agents in the transmission of malaria and yellow fever, as well as great sources of annoyance to man. Methods for their extermination have been studied at several experiment stations. In Michigan, it was found that the usual remedies recommended for mosquito extermination, such as draining, treating pools with petroleum, and introducing fish into ponds, were quite successful. When kerosene was applied to water for the destruction of mosquito larvae, it was found that its effects lasted for about three weeks. Much of the vegetation with which the oil came in contact was destroyed. In Mississippi, better drainage of low-lying areas is recommended, and in grass-grown sewage ditches, and other ditches in which oil could not be effectively applied by pouring on the surface, it was found that good results could be obtained by spraying. When applied in that way, the oil was found to operate effectively for about two weeks. Some of the most ex-

tensive experiments with remedies for the control of mosquitoes have been carried out at the New Jersey Station. At this station, a great variety of insecticides were tested. Carbolic acid and cresol were found to be somewhat effective, but were too expensive. Permanganate of potash was carefully tested on account of the claims which have been set up for this chemical, but was found to be entirely ineffective. The cheapest and simplest insecticide for mosquito larvae, however, was common kerosene of low grade. Crude petroleum in the ordinary form, or in the soluble form, was also tested with satisfactory results. A series of experiments was carried on with sulphate of copper, either in simple solution or in the form of Bordeaux mixture. In all of these experiments, it was observed that the destruction of the larvae by copper sulphate was a gradual and irregular process. It appears that mosquito larvae are destroyed when copper sulphate is used at the rate of 1 part to every 10,000 to 200,000 parts of water. The weakest really effective solution was 1 to 50,000, and even then was quite unreliable. No mature larvae or pupae were killed by any strength of the copper sulphate. The addition of salt to water in which mosquitoes were breeding produced no effect on the larvae. Neither quicklime nor chloride of lime appeared to possess any great value.

BEWARE OF FLIES.

The old-fashioned idea about flies was that they were rather necessary nuisances, whose function was to clean up dirt and keep things healthy. The new and better idea is to have no dirt for them to clean up, by putting all food and other attractions out of their way as soon as ever they can be spared from use, and to keep every place as clean and dry as possible during the summer. Far from it being "healthy to have plenty of flies," it has been demonstrated that they transmit diseases, as may be readily understood. Typhoid fever, for instance, is contracted either by eating or drinking its germs. On the flies' feet are tiny hooks and hairs, that may be readily seen through a microscope, which, with a soft gelatinous substance on the soles, enable them to walk over a ceiling or smooth wall.

They are fond of impurities, and may alight on diseased matter thrown off by a typhoid patient, pick up some of it on their feet, and then fly into a neighboring house where a plate of butter or a jug of cream may attract them, and where they leave behind them some of the filth collected elsewhere. Not an appetizing thought, surely. It is well to kill the few flies that linger in the fall and those that come early in the spring, as these are the progenitors of thousands. Screens should be used in doors and windows, and all breeding places cleared away from around the house; these are often under piles of rotting chips and in horse manure. The slop-barrel should be closely covered, often emptied and cleaned.—Sel.

CORNSTARCH PUDDINGS IN VARIATION.

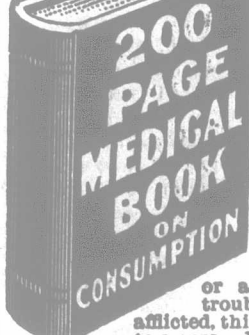
1. Heat 1 quart of milk. Add 4 heaped teaspoons cornstarch, moistened. Boil 15 minutes, stirring all the time. Take off, and when it has cooled a little, stir in yolks of 4 eggs, beaten with 2 tablespoons sugar and a little essence of lemon. Pour in a dish, and bake until set; then put over top the beaten whites of the eggs, beaten with a tablespoon jelly or jam. Return to oven to get firm on top.

2. Boil 2 cups milk with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar. Blend a teaspoon of cornstarch in a little cold milk. Stir into milk, and let boil. Flavor with vanilla, and serve with cream.

3. Put a quart of milk in a double boiler. Blend 2 tablespoons starch in a little milk, then beat in 1 egg and a pinch of salt. When the milk is scalding, stir this mixture in. Dip cups in cold water; half fill with the cornstarch, and set away to cool.

4. Boil 3 cups water with $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar, and the juice of two lemons. When boiling, add 3 tablespoons cornstarch, previously moistened, and boil till clear. Let cool, and beat in the stiffly-beaten whites of 2 or 3 eggs. Beat 5 minutes, and serve cold with custard sauce.

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