

of elm, and the maiden-hair tree, with occasional small clumps of bamboo, usually as yard plants, or in the cemeteries of the rich, where also may occur a few pines and the *Cryptomeria japonica*. There is little, therefore, to give a forest clothing to the country, but if one climbs any of the many-storied pagodas which occurred from time to time and takes a look over the country, the abundance of the mulberry as seen in profile and the few trees noted about the hamlets and cemeteries makes the country look fairly well forested.

This region, as stated at the outset, had not been reached by the Boxer movement, and we felt perfectly safe in going about alone and with no knowledge of the language. We took all our provisions with us, and were not dependent on the Chinese for anything, except some birds or game which our "Laodah" got for us.

This trip through the interior offered opportunities to study other forms of insects, especially mosquitoes. I collected at Haining some very interesting mosquitoes, including a rare species of *Anopheles* (*A. Sinensis vanus*), as determined by Mr. Coquillett. The nights were spent on the canal in the boat, and we were bitten a good many times by these *Anopheles*. They were very difficult fellows to catch; in other words, the boat was open, and they would fly out before morning, but I managed to get a number of specimens. Mosquitoes, however, instead of being abundant, as one would have supposed in an open country devoted to rice culture and under water much of the year, and intersected with canals, which are permanent waterways, were very little in evidence, and, in point of fact, except at Haining, we were not troubled by them at all.

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MANN: Did you find anybody who knew anything about entomology?

MARLATT: There is in Shanghai a Mr. A. Arthur, an Englishman, formerly connected with the Kew Gardens, and now in charge of the Botanical Garden, and of all the street reservations and cemeteries, etc., belonging to the European portion of Shanghai. He knew a little as a gardener would about insects.

MANN: No native entomologists?

MARLATT: No native entomologists. A missionary, Dr. Barchet, who acts as interpreter for the American Legation, and lives near Shanghai, is an amateur botanist of some note, and has collected and studied the plants of this region for twenty-five years in connection with a German botanist, Dr. Faber, who is to be credited with much of our knowledge of