

HABITS OF THE HOUSE FLY.

Harold Rogers, M. A., Tells Whence He Comes, Whither He Goes.

The common house fly (Musca Domestica) is a creature of such secretive habits...

It remained for the eminent Boston biologist, Dr. A. S. Packard, in 1873; to make known his origin, habits and transformations from the egg through the larva state with its two changes to the pupa state, then to the perfect fly.

Near the first of August the female lays about 120 eggs of a dull gray color, selecting fresh horse manure in which to deposit her eggs...

In the pupa state when the fly is about to emerge, the end of the pupa case splits off, making a hole through which the fly pushes a portion of its head...

The whole time from the depositing of the egg to the perfect fly is not over ten days in duration. Many persons who observe small flies in midsummer suppose they are the young, but such is not the case...

In the pupa state they are often fed upon by the larvae of some of the beetles, notably that of the carpet beetle, whose pupa, the dreaded buffalo moth, will attack the young fly in the pupa case and eating it possess the case for itself.

Adult flies, like most other creatures, have parasites of minute size that prey upon them; these can often be seen as presenting small red specks over the body of the fly.

Another enemy in the form of a fungus often attacks the fly in the early autumn. This makes its appearance as a white swelling and the white spores of the disease can be seen penetrating the body of the fly, which it finally distends and ruptures.

The fly hibernates in winter, but with his usual secretive habit, it is very difficult to find him in his winter quarters. With the first chill of autumn the flies feeling the cold, seek temporary warmth in houses, and clustering together form bunches in the corners of walls and other places.

They are then sluggish and not so active as in the warm weather. However, they do not make a permanent stay indoors, but on the first mild, sunny day, seek the windows to get out and find their permanent winter hiding place, many prefer to make their homes in the roots of grass on lawns where they hide themselves so effectively that the ice and snow of winter does not destroy them in their hibernating state.

It is in the first warm days of spring when the snow is gone and the grass on the lawns becomes dry and warm, long before the yellow dandelion shows its head, a close observer may see numbers of flies crawling up on the grass to get the welcome sunshine, their wings standing out stiff and useless; but they soon acquire the power of flight in the warm rays of the sun.

In recent years, the medical profession have demonstrated that while the fly itself does not propagate disease, it is one of the most industrious carriers of disease germs which by contact adhere to its feet, hairy legs and body, distributing them to innocent victims.

If every house-keeper could know all these interesting facts which have never before been brought to their attention, they would realize the importance of securing the very best fly exterminator.

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WOMAN'S REALM

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A silk Petticoat Economy. A silk Petticoat may be made to serve almost twice its usual period of usefulness if it is lined as far down as the bottom ruffle with nun's veiling or some other light weight fabric.

Economy in Long Gloves. When the hands of elbow gloves, especially black or tan ones, grow shabby, cut the long wrists off carefully and turn them into the separate wrists which came out last winter.

Three Wedding Hints. Don't impoverish your family by insisting on an extravagant wedding. The show lasts but a short time; the poverty sometimes consequent upon it remains.

Fancy Work of Irish Women. In recent years the Irish women have been turning their attention largely to fancy work in the way of lace handkerchiefs, crocheting, knitting and other home work, selling their products to the many societies which in recent years have been organized to dispose of these native Irish products in England and the United States.

Popular Colors. One of the latest fashionable colors is known as "patent apple green." It is difficult to conceive a color more fascinating. It causes an Irishman to blink twice.

Home Rules for Mothers. Home life is the school in which permanent impressions are made. Don't criticize your friends kindly in the hearing of your children.

Why a Woman Nags. A doctor explains the opinion that nine times out of ten the woman who nags is tired. One time out of ten she is hateful. Times out of mind her husband is to blame.

Number of Women Employed. The census returns show that 5,000,000 and more women are employed in the nation's industrial life. There are three times as many women stenographers as there were ten years ago, while the number of women bookkeepers and accountants has doubled.

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THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

London's Experiment With "Lady Helpers."

London has an association, the Ladies' Arachne Club, named after the skilled needlewoman whom the goddess Minerva changed into a spider out of pure jealousy of her accomplishments.

Some of the most unselfish and most affectionate of women who fall into this state, says Woman's Life. They are too much devoted to their families to give themselves enough of any healthy exercise and diversion enough of naps, perhaps, or concerts.

Gowns That "Belong." How few women understand the art of wearing their gowns well. They may have the prettiest, most expensive and latest costumes obtainable, but they might far better be hung on wax figures than on some of the living and moving possessors of them.

Daughters of Lovely Women. Every woman so inconsiderate as to have been a beauty in her youth owes her grown-up daughters big damages. The maternal reputation works as a blight.

Siberian Butter Exported. A firm of London importers of food stuffs predicts that there will be a slump in the price of dairy products the world over as soon as Siberia strikes a steady gait in butter production.

Girls in Germany. The German girl leaves school at about fifteen years of age, by which time she has learned to sew, mend and supposedly to speak English and French.

Famous Tree Gone. Lafayette's famous "Big Tree" one of the oldest and best known landmarks in Indiana, is no more. The giant oak, under whose branches Gen. William Henry Harrison slept while on his way to the battle of Tippecanoe, has been cut down.

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A WOMAN'S ORDEAL.

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