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MOSQUITO WAR NEXT.

If we could conquer the mosquito as we are conquering the fly we would prevent malaria over a large section of this country. That we can conquer the pest is certain if we go at the task with intelligence and with the co-operation with which we have attacked the fly.

For the first time in the history of the country malaria is to be recognized in a national way when the third annual convention of the national drainage congress takes place in St. Louis April 10 to 12th. At this gathering a "malaria congress" will be held.

As drainage is the chief method of disposing of mosquitoes and hence of malaria, it is peculiarly appropriate

that any discussion of the disease as a national problem should be held at a time when the drainage question is being considered in its fullest significance.

In health matters we are slowly coming to realize that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. A national campaign of education has aroused us to the menace of the fly; it is reasonable to suppose if we fully realized the danger of the mosquito we would unite to exterminate it.

MARRIED WOMEN IN INDUSTRY

In the complications arising from the case of the New York school teacher who asked an unpaid day of absence for the purpose of becoming a mother we have a forecast of the problem which will arise when the employment of married women becomes more general.

On the general subject of married women in industry there are opportunities for honest differences of opinion. On the one hand it can be contended that they serve to glut the labor or professional market and so lessen the likelihood of single women absolutely dependent on their own efforts gaining a livelihood. One can

go farther than this and say that when a woman has a child she has a moral responsibility to devote her whole time and attention to its upbringing.

On the other hand it can be argued that the denial of industrial and professional opportunity to married women with children is unjust to the individual. It cannot be denied that certain persons are eminently gifted for certain work.

It is a big question not to be disposed of by snap judgment. It is a question, too, that is certain to loom in larger proportions as the present trend toward the unrestricted employment of women in economics and business life becomes more general.

An Albion, Mich., man borrowed a dollar from his wife some time ago and disappeared. But it seems as though any man would stick to a wife from whom he could borrow money.

The militant suffragettes in London have not as yet had the heart to smash a single millinery window.

Any man who attempts to become the author of the history of Mexico will have to write shorthand.

No, no, no! Just because a man has everything charged, he is not a human dynamo.

A self-illuminating paint has been devised that will make street cars visible a long way off, but what good will that do after they have gone by.

The English bard, Alfred Noyes, says America will soon be supreme in poetry, which is some folk's idea of zero in supremacy.

Cincinnati man divorced his wife because she spent half of her time at motion picture shows. Evidently he didn't want a reel wife.

Jeffersonian simplicity is either awfully simple or simply awful, depending of course, upon the point of view.

Mr. Mintz and Miss Meert have been married in Ohio. Readers will make their own comment, please.

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H. T. Hill Sued. Pendleton, Or., March 28.—Alleging he was defrauded in a transaction whereby he transferred 100 shares of stock in the Hartman Abstract company of this city, W. L. Thompson, president of the American National bank of Pendleton, yesterday commenced suit against Henry T. Hill, a La Grande real estate dealer, and James M. Johns, president of the abstract company for damages aggregating \$8600. In the alleged fraudulent transaction, the plaintiff charges that he transferred the stock, valued at \$10,500, to Hill for \$1500 cash and a deed to 160 acres of land in Columbia county, Washington, represented to him to be rich farming land and worth \$9000. In inducing him to take the land as part payment, Thompson alleges a stranger, introduced under the name of Roy Shelton, Missouri farmer, was brought to him and agreed to purchase the land at \$9000, paying him \$1000 down to bind the bargain. Subsequently, he alleges, he learned that the land was not being farmed, never had been, was incapable of being farmed and was not worth more than \$500. He avers his complaint is the complaint that the stranger was not a wealthy Missouri farmer and that his name was not Roy Shelton, also that the \$1000 paid down was provided by the defendants. Furthermore, he declares his belief that Hill secured the stock and turned it over to Johns and that the two were guilty of making fraudulent statements with intent to defraud and cheat him or with utter recklessness and lack of knowledge. FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS. Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c Plane Tuning—Expert work guaranteed. Obas. Burger, P. O. Box 148. 2-18-13

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