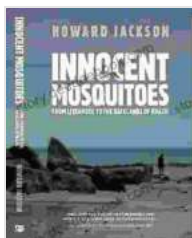


Innocent Mosquitoes: The Tragic Story of Howard Jackson and the Yellow Fever Epidemic

In the early 1900s, the city of New Orleans was gripped by a deadly epidemic. Yellow fever, a mosquito-borne disease, was sweeping through the city, killing thousands of people. One of the victims was a young doctor named Howard Jackson.



Innocent Mosquitoes by Howard Jackson

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Jackson was a brilliant scientist who had dedicated his life to fighting disease. He had developed a new vaccine for yellow fever, and he was eager to test it on himself. In 1905, he allowed himself to be bitten by an infected mosquito.

Jackson fell ill with yellow fever, but he recovered. He was convinced that his vaccine had worked, and he began to vaccinate other people. However,

the vaccine did not work as well as he had hoped. Many people who were vaccinated still got sick, and some of them died.

Jackson was devastated. He had dedicated his life to fighting yellow fever, but he had failed. He could not bear the thought of more people dying, so he decided to take his own life.

Jackson's death was a tragedy. He was a brilliant scientist who had dedicated his life to fighting disease. However, he was also a victim of the deadly yellow fever epidemic.

Jackson's story is a reminder of the importance of scientific research. He was a pioneer in the fight against yellow fever, and his work helped to lay the foundation for the eventual eradication of the disease.

The Yellow Fever Epidemic

The yellow fever epidemic of 1905 was one of the deadliest in American history. The disease killed more than 7,000 people in New Orleans alone.

The epidemic was caused by the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito. This mosquito is found in tropical and subtropical regions around the world. It is a vector for several diseases, including yellow fever, dengue fever, and Zika virus.

The *Aedes aegypti* mosquito breeds in standing water. It is often found in urban areas, where there is a lot of standing water in gutters, tires, and other containers.

The yellow fever virus is spread when an infected mosquito bites a human. The virus then travels through the bloodstream to the liver. The virus can cause liver failure, kidney failure, and death.

There is no cure for yellow fever. Treatment is supportive, and it includes rest, fluids, and pain relievers.

The yellow fever epidemic of 1905 ended in 1906, when the mosquito that carried the disease was eradicated from New Orleans.

Howard Jackson

Howard Jackson was born in 1879 in New Orleans. He was the son of a doctor, and he followed in his father's footsteps. He graduated from Tulane University School of Medicine in 1901.

After graduating from medical school, Jackson worked as a physician in New Orleans. He quickly became interested in the fight against yellow fever.

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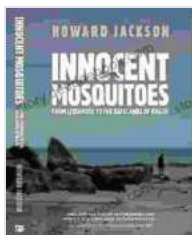
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The Legacy of Howard Jackson

Howard Jackson's story is a reminder of the importance of scientific research. He was a pioneer in the fight against yellow fever, and his work helped to lay the foundation for the eventual eradication of the disease.

Jackson's legacy also includes the Howard Jackson Memorial Hospital in New Orleans. The hospital was founded in 1907, and it has been providing healthcare to the people of New Orleans for over 100 years.

Howard Jackson was a brilliant scientist and a dedicated physician. He made a significant contribution to the fight against yellow fever, and his legacy continues to inspire others to work towards a healthier world.



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