“Early in the evening a few straggling moschetoes [sic] had given us notice of the existence of these free and independent citizens of Yucatan; but while we were swinging in our hammocks and the fire burned brightly, they had not troubled us much. Our heads, however, were hardly upon our pillows before the whole population seemed to know exactly where they could have us, and dividing into three swarms, came upon us, as if determined to lift us up and eject us bodily from the premises. The flame and volumes of smoke which had rolled through the building, in ridding us of the damp, unwholesome atmosphere, seemed only to have started these torments from their cracks and crevices, and filled them with thirst for vengeance or for blood.”

*Description of a mosquito attack at Uxmal,*

*Incidents of Travel in Yucatan, pp.159-160.*

*Malaria plagued both Stephens and Catherwood in Yucatan.*

*Stephens died from complications of this disease during his subsequent work in Panama.*