

## Solution to Acrostic #18 – October 2004

Don Marquis: “archy declares war,” from *[the lives and times of] archy and mehitabel*,  
Doubleday Doran, 1927

curses curses curses / on the cruel human race / does not the poor mosquito / love her little  
offspring / that you swat against the wall / out of equatorial / swamps and fever jungles / come  
o mosquitoes / a billion billion strong / and sting a billion baldheads / ... / this is war

- A** DOOF+US (*food* reversal)
- B** OVER+ALL+S
- C** NOODLE (*on dole* anagram)
- D** MOR(O)NS
- E** ASSES+S
- F** RUBRIC (hidden in *scrub rickshaw*)
- G** QUASIMODO (double def, the Sunday after Easter is called Quasimodo Sunday)
- H** UNDRRESS (*res(o)unds* anagram)
- I** INTERN (*in turn* homophone)
- J** SEPARATE BUT EQUAL
- K** ASSUMPTION (double def)
- L** RAJA (*a jar* reversal)
- M** CUTTLEFISH (*flesh cut it* anagram)
- N** HAR(L)OT (*Torah* reversal)
- O** YELLOW PAGES
- P** A+LOOF (*fool* reversal)
- Q** NIT+W+IT (*tin* reversal)
- R** DOMICILES (*mice solid* anagram)
- S** MORROW (double def)
- T** fETCHING
- U** HIGH FIVE
- V** ISAAC NEWTON (*wants ice on a* anagram)
- W** TOQUE BLANCHE (*able to quench* anagram)
- X** ALL RIGHT (*halt girl* anagram)
- Y** BLUETS (*sublet* anagram)
- Z** ÉTAT(S UN+I)S (*sun+1* in *taste* anagram)
- AA** LON+G SHOT (*ghost* anagram)