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A Wild Pigeon Story.

Believing that the COLUMBIAN readers will enjoy the novelty of this story, which was for a local newspaper some years ago, which was then highly appreciated.

Whenever a snow fell in the spring of the year and covered up the nuts the birds were driven into the valley and other places for food, and pigeon catchers always made successful catches when the birds were flying over the country.

We will mention a few expert pigeon catchers whose names are familiar to almost everybody.

Among them were Joseph Blair, Michael Yapple, Jacob Yapple, Samuel Creveling, Andrew Creveling, of Fishingcreek township, Peter Kase, Andrew Runyan and John Ikeler of Benton township.

The question of championship agitated the minds of these experts for some years. Joe Blair, we select as our hero of the following fictitious story.

In the meantime of these seasons, Joe and his boys were making a net, with inch and a half mesh, 30 by 20 rods, covering an area of three and three-fourth acres.

"Dod" said Joe, "I'll show em how to ketch pigeons." Joe's net had 75 to 100 feet slack sack, or bay, as it was called.

Beech nuts, on which the birds fed was an usually heavy crop that year, and attracted the pigeons from all parts of the country.

On one April night quite a deep snow fell on the mountain and also covered the valley about an inch in depth.

While it was yet snowing, Joe sent for more than a dozen men, who were near neighbors, to help sweep and carry the snow from his net bed.

By daylight they had the whole of the net bed bared, whose area was 3 3/4 acres. He sowed five bushels of buckwheat on his net bed to bait the coveted birds, and put his net in position, weighing the anchored side down with a ton of stones which were tied at short intervals to the net rope between the anchor stakes.

"Dod" said Joe, "there will be pigeons today." After all was ready Joe took a good "horn of tangle-foot, and of which all partook, because they liked it, and it was chilly too, before beginning operations.

About 9 o'clock several small flocks made their appearance but Joe paid no attention to them. About 10 o'clock there came in sight such a flight as was never before witnessed by the oldest residents of the community.

The whole sky was literally covered with pigeons like a cloud of birds. The sound of their wings roared like distant thunder.

We Hear of More Cures

Of troubles originating in impure blood, scrofula, loss of appetite, catarrh, rheumatism, by Hood's Sarsaparilla than by all other so-called remedies combined.

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the net down." All of them jumped a little inside the rope and grabbed fast to the net to keep it down. But the pigeons raised under the net, and snapped the ropes at every anchor stake and with stones and men swiftly soared through the air towards the North mountain, the men screaming and yelling with alarm.

As the pigeons approached Ganoga lake it became painfully evident that they would settle at, or near the outlet of the lake.

As the side of the net which was weighted with stones touched the water the pigeons began to crowd toward the other side of the net to where the men were clinging, thus the weighted edge of the net gradually sunk to the bottom of the lake, and the pigeons pulled for the opposite shore.

They moved very slowly and laboriously across the lake, dragging the net on the bottom of the lake, the whole length of it, pulling the net to shore, but were so exhausted they could proceed no further.

When the men sufficiently recovered from their flight and looked over the net, such a fluttering of birds and wriggling of fishes mortal never before beheld.

"Dod," said Joe, "This is the best haul that I have ever made. There were pigeons, suckers, pike, perch, sunfish, eels and catfish galore.

About this time the pursuing farmers with teams and wagons, began to arrive on the scene, and in an hour's time there were more than a hundred and fifty teams and wagons on hand with their drivers, and they all had a genuine picnic.

As quickly as possible all the wagons were loaded with fish and pigeons and there was a happier crowd returning home than went in pursuit of the flying men and birds.

Next day one hundred and fifty more loads of birds and fish were brought from the mountain and hauled to Berwick, WilkesBarre, Bloomsburg, Orangeville, Shick-shinny and other points, while a canal boat was loaded at Shickshinny to be shipped to Harrisburg, Haverdgrace and Baltimore.

As a result of old Joe's haul the pigeon industry was completely destroyed and was the end and downfall of this feathery tribe, the most delicious of all birds, as there are no more wild pigeons in the whole country.

JOHN C. WENNER, Benton, Pa. Pension Statistics. There Are 967,371 On the Government Rolls

More pensioners died during the past year than fought on either side at the famous battle of Shiloh in 1862. This was the statement made in the House when the \$150,000,000 general pension bill was up for passage.

It was shown that thousands had been stricken from the nation's roll by death. Of this number 31,201 were Civil War veterans. It was predicted that in nine years Civil War veterans will be as scarce as are Mexican War veterans today.

Trial List for May Term.

Thomas E. Harder vs. John A. Shuman. Maryland Meter Co. vs. Berwick Consolidated Gas Co.

SECOND WEEK, MAY 11. Lillie Atherholt vs. Charles Hughes. Alfred H. Yetter and George Yetter vs. Jeremiah Longenberger; ejectment.

J. W. Adams vs. Wm. Adams; trespass. Com. of Penna. to the use of Zua B. Guie vs. Daniel Knorr, Pius Zimmerman, Ezra Yocum, John L. Kline and Simon R. Carl; assumption.

Charles Tritt vs. P. and R. Railroad Co.; trespass. John Mourer vs. P. and R. Railroad Co.; trespass.

Lena Blass vs. P. and R. Railroad Co.; trespass. Catherine Carr vs. Lehigh Valley Coal Co.; trespass.

Lydia A. Smith vs. A. C. and F. Co.; trespass. Joseph Slusser vs. Pennsylvania R. R. Co.; trespass.

John F. Derr vs. Albert Kelsey; ejectment. Wm. H. Hauck vs. Cabin Run Coal Co.; trespass.

Samuel Longenberger vs. P. and R. Railroad Co.; trespass. Rathbone, Sard Co. vs. Berwick Consolidated Gas Co.; Assumpsit.

Frederick Smith and Jessie Smith vs. School District of Franklin township; appeal for assessment of damages. The Fairbanks Co. vs. Berwick Consolidated Gas Co.; assumpsit.

Columbia County vs. Penna. R. R. Co.; assumpsit. Geo. F. Craig vs. P. and R. Railroad Co.; trespass.

Clark H. Hower, Casper A. Hower et al., heirs and legatees of Mary Hower, deceased, vs. P. and R. Railroad Co.; trespass.

A. B. Croop vs. Philadelphia and Reading Railway Co.; trespass. Albright Son and Co. vs. Berwick Consolidated Gas Co.; assumpsit.

Goldsmith's Accountants vs. Berwick Consolidated Gas Co.; assumpsit. Freas C. Kistler, vs. S. B. and B. R. Co.; trespass.

B. H. Dodson vs. O. M. Hess; assumpsit. Katie Cain vs. Conyngham Twp. School District; assumpsit.

Jacob H. Maust vs. Creary and Wells; trespass. M. Milet vs. H. P. Aurand; assumpsit.

Sarah Sterner vs. Town of Bloomsburg; trespass. John A. Gosch, parent, and Norman Gosch by his father and next friend, John A. Gosch, vs. Lehigh Valley R. R. Co.; trespass.

Samuel Alstetter vs. Beaver Twp.; trespass. Kern Dodge and Charles Day, trading under the firm name of Dodge and Day vs. A. C. Sickles; assumpsit.

Columbia County National Bank of Benton, Pa., vs. W. D. Beckley, W. H. Brooke, H. A. M'Killip, W. B. Cogger, O. W. Cherrington and J. Lee Harman; assumpsit.

Josephine F. Vought by her father and next friend Isaac M. Vought vs. the Berwick Electric Light Co.; trespass.

Isaac M. Vought and Ermina Vought vs. The Berwick Electric Light Co.; trespass. Mary E. McMannim vs. The Lehigh Valley Railroad Co.; trespass.

Catawissa Borough Poor District vs. Columbia County; assumpsit.

\$5.05 Excursion to Atlantic City Account Easter Holiday. Via "The Reading" April 17. Tickets good going only on that date on trains leaving Bloomsburg 7:27 and 11:28 in the morning. Good to return on any train within 15 days.

17,000 Guests at Banquet. William J. Bryan and Judson Harmon, of Cincinnati, who were the guests of honor at the banquet given in convention hall in Kansas City last week by the Young Men's Democratic club, of Missouri, departed for their homes on Tuesday morning of last week.

Mr. Bryan declared that the banquet was the largest ever held in this country. There were 2,000 banqueters seated on the arena floor and fifteen thousand spectators occupied the gallery seats.

Every available inch of room was utilized. "I have been in Kansas City many times," said Mr. Bryan, "and carried away pleasant recollections. I carried away this time the recollection of having addressed the largest banquet that has ever assembled in any city on American soil."

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WIDOWS' APPRAISEMENTS.

Notice is hereby given that the following Widows' Appraisements will be presented to the Orphans' Court of Columbia County on Monday, May 4th A. D. 1908 by the Clerk of said Court and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed to same within four days they will be confirmed finally.

Estate of Benson H. C. Eveling, late of Scott township, deceased. Personally \$300.00. Estate of Elijah Hess, late of Sugarloaf township, deceased. Personally \$300.00.

Estate of A. F. Harman, late of Catawissa Borough, deceased. Personally \$143.25. Realty \$156.75. Estate of J. M. Suttill, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, deceased. Personally \$300.00.

Estate of Daniel Fetterman, late of Locust township, deceased. Personally \$300.00. Estate of M. O. Bowman, late of Mifflin township, deceased. Personally \$300.00.

C. M. TERWILLIGER, Clerk O. C. Clerk's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., April 9, 1908. 2-9-08.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Samuel McHenry, late of Rohrsburg. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Samuel McHenry, late of Rohrsburg, County of Columbia, Pa., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

G. B. M. McHENRY, ROCELA SAVAGE, Executors. Wm. Chrisman, Attorney. 3-26-08

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be sold at public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, County and State aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 25th, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate.

All those certain pieces of land situate in the townships of Madison and Pine, Columbia County, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post corner of land of Creasy and Wells, thence by the same south 5 degrees, west 75 perches to a post, thence by land of William Polk north 85 degrees, west 52 perches to a post, thence south 52 degrees west 142 1/2 perches to a post, thence by land of G. W. Murphy, north 24 degrees west 5 perches to a rock oak, (stump), thence by land of N. Geable, (copied from his survey made in 1853), north 2 1/2 degrees west 75 perches to a stone, thence south 46 1/2 degrees, west 20 1/2 perches to a stone, thence north 6 1/2 degrees, west 20 1/2 perches to a stone north 6 1/2 degrees, west 22 6-10 perches to a stone, thence south 51 degrees and 26 minutes west 222 perches to a stone, thence south 49 degrees and 33 minutes east 110 7-10 perches to a stone, thence by land of Daniel Zarr, formerly Robert Robbins, north 62 1/2 degrees west 145 perches to a maple, by run, thence by land called vacant; the aforesaid course 30 perches to a chestnut tree, thence by land of D. L. Smith north 61 1/2 degrees west 114 perches to a post, (Gam. Witness) north 5 degrees east 70 6-10 perches to a post, on north edge of brook, thence by land of S. S. Runyon's heirs, north 50 degrees east 256 perches to a stone near bear run (copied from survey) made by Samuel Neyhart in 1871, thence by land of Mrs. Emanuel Kisner, John Chamberlin and James Chamberlin to the place of beginning, containing

FOUR HUNDRED ACRES more or less, excepting a small piece traded to Rachel Whipple, adjoining N. Beagle east of public road and known as purport No. 10 in proceedings of Court of said estate, with the appurtenances. Whereon are erected

A FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, barn and outbuildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of Hattie George now to the use of C. E. Kreisher vs. George W. Bills, Sr., and to be sold as the property of George W. Bills, Sr. CHAS. B. ENT, Sheriff. C. E. Kreisher, Att'y. 4-2-08.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be sold at public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, County and State aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 25th, 1908 at 2 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate: All that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Centralia as laid out by the Locust Mountain Coal and Iron Company in Conyngham Township, Columbia County and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the south side of Centre street one hundred and twenty-five feet east of the south east corner of Centre and Mahoney streets, thence along said Centre street north eighty-seven degrees east twenty-five feet to a stake, thence south three degrees east one hundred and forty feet to an alley, thence along said alley south eighty-seven degrees west twenty-five feet to a stake, thence north three degrees west one hundred and forty feet to the point of beginning. Whereon are erected

A TWO STORY FRAME DWELLING HOUSE and outbuildings. It being the lot which is marked in the general map or plan of the said Town of Centralia with the number six in the block number seventy-eight, and being the same premises which the Locust Mountain Coal and Iron Company aforesaid by their Indenture bearing date the 18th day of June A. D. 1891 conveyed to Edward Rooney.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of Margaret E. Murphy, Administratrix of estate of C. G. Murphy, deceased vs. Edward Rooney, and to be sold as the property of Edward Rooney. CHAS. B. ENT, Sheriff. Burke, Attorney. 4-2-08.

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