

Concerning a Centennial Cannon.

There is a cannon in Sunbury which possesses an interesting history. The piece of ordnance, according to Mr. Steward, a local historian of Northumberland county, was brought from Fort Harris (now Harrisburg) and placed upon the ramparts of Fort Augustus in the year 1772. From there it was taken to Fort Muncy, where it remained until 1774, when it was brought back to Augusta. In the year 1775, when Colonel Hunter was ordered to be spiked and thrown into the river, which was done, when the fort was evacuated. In 1798 it was taken from the river by George and Jacob Mantz, Samuel Hann and Henry Shoop. Several cords of hickory wood were burned in taking the temper out of the file with which it was spiked, so that it could be drilled out. In 1824 it was stolen from the river bank at Sunbury by citizens of Selingsgrove, then in Union county, and hidden away in Mr. Becker's cellar, and in 1825 George Weiser, esq., of Sunbury, having business in Selingsgrove, by some means discovered where it was hidden, bribed the maid, who was also from Sunbury, to have the cellar door unlocked and the dog removed from the premises, when a company from Sunbury, consisting of George Heilman, John Epley, John Weaver, John Pickering, James McCormick, Jacob Diehl and others went to Selingsgrove on the night of the 3d of July with a good wagon and a fast team of horses, took the cannon from the cellar and started for Sunbury, and when a short distance above the Penn creek bridge they fired a few rounds, thus raising the alarm in Selingsgrove; and as they expected to be pursued, they hurried up in double quick time, crossed the river in a flat that was in readiness, hurried up to the hotel then kept by John Weaver, at the corner of Third and Market streets, in the stone building now owned by Wm. H. Miller, carried it up to the attic, placed a bed over it, on which Joseph Eisl, then a boy fourteen years of age, who was bar keeper at the hotel, slept until morning, when it was brought down and used at the celebration that day (July 4th).

In 1830 the cannon was stolen by citizens of New Berlin, then in Union county. Shortly after, a party endeavored to recapture it but failed. The next fall several persons headed by George Prince secured it. In 1833 Selingsgrove parties took possession of it. It remained in the place until July 4th, 1834, when about a dozen residents of Northumberland county secured the prize. In 1849 a Danville party made an ineffectual effort to capture it.

WHAT BIRDS ACCOMPLISH.—The swallows, swift and nighthawk, are the guardians of the atmosphere. They check the increase of insects that otherwise would overload it. Woodpeckers, creepers and chickadees are the guardians of the trunks of trees. Warblers and flycatchers protect the foliage. Blackbirds, thrushes, crows and larks protect the surface of the soil. Snipe and woodcock, the soil under the surface. Each tribe has its respective duties to perform in the economy of nature; and it is an undoubted fact that, if the birds were all swept off from the earth, man could not live upon it, vegetation would wither and die, insects would become so numerous that no living thing could withstand their attacks. The wholesale destruction occasioned by grasshoppers, which have lately devastated the west, is undoubtedly caused by the thinning out of the birds, such as grouse, prairie hens, etc., which feed upon them. The great and inestimable service done to the farmer, gardener and florist by the birds, is only becoming known by sad experience. Spare the birds and save your fruit; the little corn and fruit taken by them is more than compensated by the vast quantities of noxious insects destroyed. The long persecuted crow has been found, by actual experiment, to do far more good by the vast quantity of grubs and insects he devours than the little harm he does in the few grains of corn he pulls up. He is one of the farmer's best friends.

THE THREAD OF THE SPIDER.—The delicate cross hairs in the telescopes of surveying instruments are successfully made from fine webs taken from spiders of species that are especially selected for their production of an excellent quality of material. The spider, when caught, is made to spin his thread by tossing him from hand to hand. In case he is indisposed to furnish the article, the end is attached to a piece of wire which is doubled into two parallel lengths, the distance apart exceeding a little the diameter of the instrument. As the spider hangs and descends from this, the web is wound upon it by turning the wire around. The coils are then gummed to the wire and kept for use as required. It is a well known fact that Boa, of Languedoc, succeeded in making a pair of stockings from the spider; they were very strong, and of a beautiful gray color. Other attempts of the same kind have been made; but Reannur, who was appointed by the Royal Academy to investigate the subject, stated that the web of the spider was not equal to that of the silkworm, either in strength or lustre. The cocoons of the latter weigh from three to four grains, so that about twenty-three hundred worms produce a pound of silk. On the other hand, the bags of the spider, when cleaned do not weigh above a third part of a grain, so that a single silkworm can accomplish the work of twelve spiders.

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