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Bees and a Bear.

Pittsburgh Dispatch

Silas Gunning, a Forest county man who is attending the United States Circuit Court as a witness in a case which has not yet been reached, is chafing under restraint and longing to be back in the woods again. He says this is the finest bee hunting weather he has seen since the fall of '59. He is one of the most successful bee hunters of the Allegheries.

He stopped cussing the ill luck that brought him to Pittsburg on other persons' law suits long enough to tell something about bees. He says "tame" honey is no more to be compared with "wild" honey than cold tea is to apple jack. He goes in for wild honey every time, he declares. On a piece of bread it is better than all the New Orleans molasses ever made.

It reqnires skill in woodcraft and a sharp ax to gather wild honey. The pleasant, sunny days of the fall is the time for it. The proper way to proceed is to select a wooded tract where flowers are plenty and where you have known bees to been humming during the summer. Then grind your ax, take some matches and a little honey, and go to the woods you selected beforehand.

Bees make their honey in the hollow top of a hollow tree and they usually take the highest one they can find. The hunter's object is to find that tree, cut it down and and rob the bees of the fruit of their summer's toil. The only way to find the tree is to follow any bees that may be flying around. If there are none out, then the hunter must entice them out.

To do this he collects some pine knots and builds a fire. On a tin he has for the purpose he burns some of the honey he has for bait. If there are any bees within smelling distance this will bring them out. Sometimes only a lone bee will come. Then is when an expert hunter is needed

He must follow that bee through the woods until it leads him to the tree where the honey is. No person but a woodsman can do this. A bee is such a small object that it is easily lost among the trees, but with trained eyes and ears the bee hunter can follow it unerringly.

The tree found, it is felled. Frequently there is more honey in it than one man can carry away.

The usual find in a favorable tree is about 100 pounds of dark brown honey, with a rich wild flower flavor to it.

Gunning says there is often some excitement attending a bee hunt. Sometimes the bees cause trouble, but they can do no harm to a man who knows how to handle them. But he has had one experience that he never wants repeated.

"One day last fall" he said "I war nigh five miles from hum, in the woods. I wern't huntin' bees. One o' my yearlin' heifers hed strayed an' I war a lookin' fer her. But I spies a bee a humin' around. Thinks I, I'll jess foller thet un' locate the tree, an' some day I'll come an' cut it down.

"Well, ter make a long story short, I follers it. Muster took me mor'n a mile through the woods. At last I sees it light. Lookin' round me ter git somethin high up ter mark the place so's I could find it agin, an' what does I see but a big black bar a headin' fer me.

"Nary a weepen did I hev with me, barrin my pocket knife, which war no 'count in a fight with a bar. So I made for a tree. Onhap'ly I took up the bee tree.

"Now, ef thar's one thing mor'n 'nother that a bar likes thet thing is wild honey. When that bar got ter the tree he kind a looken up ter me an' blamed ef he did'nt git a sniff o' that honey. What does he do but shin it up the tree.

"I thinks he's after me. So I sorter sided off on a limb, thinkin' maybe I could drop to the ground when he'd git clost. When he gets to the limb I lets go, intendin' ter get down an' skin out, but darned o' my galluses did'nt ketch on a knot an' thar I hung expectin' the bar ev'ry second.

"But he did'nt come. To cut it short, he left me hangin' thar, clumb on up the tree an' got at the honey. This sorter stirred up the bees, but they didn't bother him ency.' He jess et away as oncon-sarned ez ye please an' the bees got arter me. I couldn't protect myself an' I jess had ter take it, not carin' to do enything thet would discommode the bar.

"Well, as the fellow says that bar et his fill o' honey. When he got through he kem down, an' I'm blamed ef I don't believe ter this day that he laughed at me an' the bees. He trotted away an' ez soon'ez he got out of sight I cut my self loose an' kem down hard an' when I got up you bet I made tracks fer home. I could hardly see when I got thar. The bees hed my eyes nearly closed.

I thaught thet war the toughest 'sperience ever I hed till I kum to Pittsburg. But, bless you, it wer childe's play compared to the way you've got ter dodge around cars an' things here. You can't stop on the street a minute 'but what they're ringin' their everlastin' bells an' hollern' at you to get out o' the road. I am stayin' purty close to court now. I'd like to git out ter see the city but it ain't safe. You can't tell which way them cars is cumin'.

The whole system is drained and undermined by indolent ulcers and open sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve speedily heals them. It is the best pile cure known.

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The following telegram was sent from Atlanta to an interior Georga town: "Look out for incendiary. Six feet high; scar on left cheek; limp in left leg."

Pretty soon the following telegram came in reply:

"We have a man what says he burned a house down, but that isen't his name what you said ?"

Don't trifle away time when you have cholera morbus or diarrhoea. Fight them in the beginning with DeWitt's colic and colera cure. You don't have to wait or results, they are instantaneous, and it leaves the bowels in healthy condition.

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As a reward for five years sobriety, George Crocker, of San Francisco, Cal., has been awarded $500,000 under the terms of his father's will.

KODD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

—In Erie they put boys behind the bars of the police station for yelling "rubber neck" at a police officer. A 14-year old boy recently spent a night in the lockup for that offense.

Poison Ivy, insect bites, bruises, scalds, burns, are quickly cured by DeWites Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure.

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—An English lecturer on chemistry said: "One drop of this poison placed on the tongue of a cat is sufficient to kill the strongest man."

Theories of cure may be discussed at length by physicians, but the sufferers want quick relief; and One Minute Cough Cure will give it to them. A sale cure for children It is "the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results."

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The first iron nails made in this country were hammered into shape at Cumberland R. I. in 1777.

The first fire engine used in this country was brought from England to New York in 1731.

It does'nt matter much whether sick headache, biliousness, indigestion and constipation are caused by neglect or by unavoidable circumstances; DeWitt's Little Early Risers will speedily cure them all.

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A legal bushel of anthracite coal weighs from 76 to 80 pounds, according to locality.

The first Sunday paper in the country was the Sunday Curier, begun at New York in 1731.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits; 75 cents Sold by J. C Redic, and J. F. Ralph Druggists, Butler Apr 96

A rod in length requires three pounds of barbed wire fencing three lines to the fence.

The Voyage of G. F. W.

Fred Williams to Jamacia goes
To lull his pangs and soothe his woes.

The steamer plunges, rocks and reals,
Using for screws the Williams wheels.

The ocean trembles in his bed,
Scanned by the fiery eyes of Fred.

With fainting wings the sea-gulls fly,
Screech wildly "Bryan!" drop and die

As Fred leans, pensive o'er the rails,
Sensations seethe among the whales.

With eyes protuberant they survey
A spouter mightier than they.

Their silver breasts the dolphins show,
Till Fred is forced to weep for woe.

The porpoises so swiftly flop
They mind Fred of his turning pop.

The devil fish and money shark
Are Fred's own metaphores of mark,

Fred eyes the Caribbean sea,
And cries, "Not deep enough for me!"

And porpoise, whale and dolphin whoop:
"You didn't say that of the Sea of Soup."

That tired feeling indicates declining health. Overcome it by taking Hood's sarsaparilla.

The first agricultural news paper was The American Farmer, begun at Baltimore in 1819.

The standard measures of Great Britain are preserved in the archives of Parliament.

The first iron forge in English North America was located at Raynham in the year 1652.

Many a day's work is lost by sick head ache caused by indigestion and stomach troubles De Witt's Little Early Risers are the most effectual pill for overcoming such difficulties.

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A Lancaster county boy died from excessive smoking of cigarettes, after his death his body turned blue, thus proving that cigarettes are poisonous.

Sixteen tablespoonfuls of any ordinary liquid except molasses, makes half a pint

Every perch of stone wall requires three pecks of lime and four bushels of sand.

One side of a square acre will require 38 pounds of three-line barb wire for fencing.

"Boys will be boys," but you can't afford to lose any of them. Be ready for the green apple season by having DeWitt's colic and cholera cure in the house.

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The Duke of Edinburgh has an annual allowance of $125,000.

The first Lord of the British Admiralty receives a salary of $22,500 a year.

The Chancellors of the Exchequer in Great Britain has a salary of $25,000.

Theodore Schoch, the oldest editor in Pennsylvania, celebrated his 88th birthday Saturday. Editor Schoch is owner and publisher of the Jeffersonian the only Republican newspaper in Monroe county, and has been in active service over fifty years.

The 5-cent nickel piece weighs 77,16 grains.

The common quarter of silver weighs 104 grains.

There are 57,541 licensed drivers and conductors in London.

The number of cabs licensed in London last year was 14, 774.

If you have ever seen a little child in the agony of summer complaint, you can realize the danger of the trouble and appreciate the value of instantaneous relief always afforded by DeWitt's colic and cholera cure For dysentery and diarrhoea it is a reliable remedy. We could not afford to recommend this as a cure unless it were a cure.

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The Brotherhood of Railway Trainman has paid out since its organization $3,311,989.89 in sick and death benefits.

The optican should be an eye-deal man.

Pious girls only play on upright pianos.

Paneless windows give one a pain in the back.

Telephone companies don't believe that silence is golden.

"This is a vile business to be in," remarked the man who got a job in the bottle works.

When a sailor is blown to pieces by a cannon you would hardly call it a case of salt and battery.

The 3-cent silver piece weighs 12.375 grains.

London has a laundry exhibition as one of the attractions of the season.

The average monthly pay of a bank clerk or correspondent in Berlin amounts to from $15 to $37.

Maine textile workers want a law fixing a week's work at fifty four-hours.

Colored men who own shops in Boston employ white clerks exclusively.

Blobbs—"What is it you like about Miss Peachley?" Slobbs—"My arm."

Hoax—"I hear Bjones is in pretty bad shape" Joax—"He's always been bowlegged."

In 1895 the railroads had 785,034 men in service.

Illinois employes 30,000 miners.

There are 50 silk manufacturers in the United States.

Woman is a delusion, and every man is prone to hug a delusion.

The cycler with a hump on his back is evidently bent on getting there.

Early rising is not what it is cracked up to be. In fact it often a frost.

It is not at all to a man's credit when he over draws his bank account

A young man with a strong face should not mind a few falls from a bicycle.

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