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I dap a lot on brookie streams...with dry flies for which the term is derived. I think the best term for fishing back undercuts and root / wood jams would be called flipping or just dropping. I became an excellent flipper from my days in front of a jet or glass bass boat. I've applied the tactic using my fly rods on all the streams I've ever fished using very heavy streamers. It's a fantastic tactic on spring creeks. And a lot of times you don't see the hit, you FEEL the hit! Sometimes right at your feet. I've been rewarded in the Cumberland Valley Spring creeks with amazing catches on Big Spring, Falling Spring, and the LEEEEEEEEEE Tort using flipping. One thing I've learned is that having less line in the water is better. And less line allows me to have more control of where the fly goes. Also, I tend to pull the fly which lets me feel bumps. When I feel a bump (under a cut bank per say), I set the hook. Most times it's grass or a stick, but sometimes it's a fish and a heart attack in the process. Look at Sal's Le Tort monster! Man, I would have died streamside!!!!