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I had 2 mentors, my father and his friend Bob. In 1966 +/-, at the age of 15, Bob took me to the Bushkill Creek below Recess Falls in late May or early June when the big stoneflies were hatching. The rocks were covered with nymph shucks. We started at the Chapel Pool. Bob gave me a large stonefly nymph and a split shot. He told me/showed me how to fish it. Hold your arm and the rod straight out after you cast upstream. Gather in the line as your rod follows the fly. You will feel it bouncing on the bottom, and you will lose some flies. He called it a dead-free drift. And catch fish we did. This still applies today, staying in connection with the fly. Although my first love is fishing a dry fly, over the years I caught most fish on a nymph. Simply more opportunity.