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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Interesting Items from Various Points in the County. Reported by Our Staff of Correspondents.

LOCUST LOCALS.

A new Sunday school will be organized in the P. O. S. of A. hall next Sunday.

George Sigmond's child is quite ill. Bert Yeager is nursing an ugly boil on the back of his neck.

Painting recently done about here was W. Watter's house, Well Yeager's hotel and the P. O. S. of A. hall.

Wilson Yeager and son Geo. D. just finished digging a well for Mrs. Christiana Adams.

Mrs. Samuel Merkall is under the doctor's care, having an attack of inflammation on the lungs.

Christian Mensch was slightly kicked by a horse Sunday, causing him some pain in the thigh, from which he is somewhat lame.

Locust school board met Saturday afternoon, the teachers selected were for West Slabtown, John E. Small, East Slabtown, Harvey Gutshall; Numidia, Geo. Pfahler; Camp's, Kimber Cevan; Beaver Meadows, Emma Beaver; Brass, Lizzie Campbell; Strauser's, Irene Cleaver; Newlin, Eugene Richard.

D. E. Yeager and Casper I. Hower were awarded the contract to repair and paint the West Slabtown school house for \$197.50. The various school houses will be furnished with coal for the six months term for from \$15.00 to \$20.00.

Clinton, son of John Derr, Catawissa twp., who was employed on the farm of Michael Fetteroff near there, while harnessing a horse Friday morning was kicked in the stomach from the effects of which he died Saturday 11. A. M. Deceased was a quiet, industrious boy of about sixteen years. Interment in the Lutheran cemetery at Numidia Tuesday morning. The



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family have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.

Mrs. Clinton Gable was buried Sunday in the Union cemetery, Numidia, aged about 30 years, leaves a husband and a 4 and 6 years old child.

The Poultry Industry in China.

The breeding and rearing of fowls is an important industry in China, as they form a very considerable portion of the daily food of the better class of the people. The United States consul at Chin-Kiang says that the varieties of fowls are few in number. The principal are the Yangchow fowl, a large bird of good flavor, weighs from four to six pounds. This variety is a good layer and siter, the eggs being of brownish tinge and good size. It lays, during eight or nine months of the year, about 200 eggs, ceasing only in the hot summer months. This description is kept more for the table than for laying purposes, as its flesh is particularly good. The Langshan fowl is a distinct and fairly pure breed from the Yangtze River region, just below Chin-Kiang. It is a large, heavy, handsome bird, weighing from seven to eight pounds. The eggs are of darkish brown, and of good size. The Black Bone or Typhoon chicken is a distinct fancy breed. In color it is white, and its skin, legs, bones, flesh and comb are very dark. The flesh of this fowl is much esteemed, and, boiled down into soup, it is prescribed by physicians for certain diseases. The Chow is another variety. This breed is small, weighing generally from two to three pounds. A pure white cock of this breed is always carried on the coffin at a native funeral cortege, and is sacrificed at the grave. Also on native boats a cock bird is killed on the Chinese New Year's day, and the blood sprinkled on the bow to propitiate evil spirits, and to insure good luck during the year. Ducks are reared in great quantities, and are largely used as food, both fresh and salted. They are all artificially hatched, as the duck is an uncertain siter. The common duck is a good sized bird, weighing, when dressed for the table, three or four pounds, and is much esteemed for the excellence of its flavor. After fledging, the birds are driven about in vast flocks through canals, and from pond to pond, where they find their food. They are brought under strict discipline, and obey their keeper's call with extraordinary intelligence. The Mandarin duck is smaller than the common duck, and is a beautiful bird, with diversified and brilliant plumage. It is reared chiefly for its beauty. In the grounds of the wealthy there is always an artificial lake, where the Mandarin duck is kept. They are considered as emblems of conjugal fidelity, and a pair of them usually form a part of wedding processions. Preserved ducks' eggs are considered a delicacy, and always form an important part of a Mandarin dinner. The process of preserving them is as follows: A lye of beanstalk and lime is made by burning these to powder. This is put in water, black tea leaves and salt in certain proportions being added. The boiling is continued until all the water has evaporated, and the residue becomes caked and hard. This is powdered fine, and the fresh eggs are placed therein one by one with a little rice husk. They remain in this preparation one hundred days, when they are ready for use. The preserved eggs will keep for several years. When ready for use they have the appearance of hard boiled eggs. The shell is taken off, and they are put on the table cut into small slices and eaten as hors d'oeuvres. This goose is generally of pure white plumage, very striking in appearance, of great size and majestic carriage, much resembling the swan. The turkey has long been introduced into China, and is reared at Canton and Tien-Tsin entirely for foreign markets, that is, for the foreigners at the treaty ports. The peacock is reared in many parts of China, and has long been known to the people, though it is not a native of the country. Its tall feathers are used for the Mandarins in their caps to designate official rank.

The gold and silver pheasants of China may be called domesticated birds, as they are now so extensively reared that it is doubtful if they are found wild. There is a bird in China—the comorant—which is domesticated, trained to wonderful intelligence, and employed in catching fish. These birds are reared and trained with great care. A pair costs from five to six dollars. They are taken out on the lakes and rivers in a small boat; one man to every ten or twelve comorants. The birds stand perched on the sides of the boat, and, at a word from the man, they scatter on the water and begin to look for fish. They dive for the fish and then rise to the surface with the fish in their bills, when they are called back to the boat by the fisherman. As docile as dogs, they swim to their master and are taken into the boat, when they lay down their prey and again resume their labor. The use of incubators in hatching eggs has been known and practiced in China for several hundred years. It is a large and profitable industry, but the apparatus used is of a very primitive description. The hatching house is usually a long shed built of bamboo, the walls plastered with mud and thickly thatched with straw. Along the ends and down one



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Be Not too Sanguine.

Let those be not too sanguine who thus early presume to forecast the political horizon. It is very unsafe to be certainly sure about things of a political nature these days. States hitherto Republican are quite apt to forget their political cunning, because of the prevailing and unparalleled commercial strife and confusion resulting from strikes and the tariff muddle, as are other States of Democratic persuasion to break the cordage of their political moorings and then drift into the fold of the opposition through supreme disgust or violated promises.

The man who would presume to guess nearly straight must not neglect to consider many things that have transpired of a disruptive political nature in both of the old parties. Nor can he neglect to consider the importance and rapid growth of the Populist, and the Prohibitionist, as well as the uncertainty of affiliation on the part of the sore striker whose troubles are for the most part with Republican capitalists, and which are the outgrowth or effect of Republican laws and jurisdiction.

So that while under ordinary circumstances Democratic defeat would be considered almost certain, under the prevailing extraordinary conditions there is nothing certain about it, because of the reasons we have endeavored to state.

The most grievous Democratic discord or rupture is confined to headquarters—between the President and the Senate—and it does not necessarily or seriously distract or affect the rank and file who do the voting. On the other hand, the Republican attitude is such as to put it in anything but harmony with striking laborers who feel that the advantages derived from Republican high protection is a cheat and a snare so far as they themselves are concerned, and they want no more of it. Where can they find what they want is the question with the unprotected.

While it may seem to be true that Democracy has been driven and forced, and perhaps bought, into an unpopular political attitude, what is there in the hopes and aspirations of the present Republican party to attract the disgusted or disaffected of

any or all parties who want only fair play and equitable government. The House being true to the issue upon which they were elected, and true to the wish and requirement of the majority who elected Cleveland, makes the disobedient and recalcitrant Senate all the more obnoxious. The cause of Senatorial objection to popular wish in the matter of tariff reform and income taxation is too plain and simple to be misunderstood by even the most illiterate countryman. Political sophistry from stump speakers between this and election day can hardly dislodge a plain truth when a countryman once gets hold of it right. We believe the countrymen now not only understand the issues correctly, but that they also understand the attitude of the old parties on these issues too well to be fooled or misled much longer by them. In choosing the least of the two evils or deceptive parties we hold that Democracy will be as apt to get the majority of the votes as the Republican party in its present attitude can reasonably hope for. Promises unfulfilled (made with intent of deliberate deception) are getting too old and bald headed to much longer answer the purpose of the old parties. They both know how to write attractive platforms; and we put it none too strong when we say they are both as deceitful as the devil 365 days in the year. The President has been true and has aimed to the right. The lower House has been true because it was afraid to accept the inducements to be otherwise. The Senate has been true only so far as President Cleveland could coerce it. He has received their anathemas for his honest effort, but the American people know the difference between them, and some of them will die in ignominy because of their attempted treachery and political perfidy, while the attitude of the President will rear him an enduring monument in the hearts of his countrymen who are ever ready to applaud fidelity and condemn hypocrisy whether it be of a political or a religious nature.

Perhaps the most dangerous character in the editorial chair in this country is the notorious Johann Most, of New York, who now runs what New York Journals call an assassination paper. He openly advocates the use of the knife by the assassin as the surest weapon he can employ in avenging his grievances. New York papers denigrate him a Falstaffian anarchist who should be kicked around a block every time he urges the taking of innocent human lives by any means whatever.

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