The Forest Republican.

W. R. DUNN - - - - - EDITOR.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 29, 1874.

Meeting of Republican County Committee.

There will be a meeting of the County Committee, Tuesday evening of court week, May 26, 1874, at 7½ P. M., at my office in Tionesta. A full attendance is desired, as matters of importance will be considered. The following named persons are members of the Committee:

J. B. Agnew, Tionesta Borough.
John Huddleson, Tionesta Twp.
James Green, Hickory "
Wm. A. Dusenbury, Kingley "
Lewis Arner, Green "
Hon. Wm. R. Coon, Barnett "
John Mercilliott, Jenks "
Robert D. Black, Howe "

MILES W. TATE, Chairman.

—The following paragraphs are taken from the proceedings of the Venango Co. Medical Society, a meeting of which was held in the Court House of Franklin, on the 21st inst.:

Dr. J. E. Blaine reported a case of congenital malformation of the knee joint, in which the joint was reversed, the patella being posterior, and the popliteal space anterior, causing reversed flexion of the limb. This occurred in a child a few days old, and should it live to be able to walk, it will present the appearance of one leg flexing in the natural position backward and the other forward.

Dr. Giebner reported to the case which had been reported to the Mercer County Medical Society by Dr. De La Cosset, of a girl of nine years of age apparently of good, general health, in which there was ptosis or falling of upper eyelids so as to completely close both eyes, and in which the eyesight to all appearances was defective to such an extent as to necessarily cause blindness; yet the little patient was able to see well with the eyes closed, to distinguish colors and to read from a book, and to distinguish objects at a distance; and this she was able to do even when her eyes were closed and heavily bandaged, so that to all reasonable appearances the light was excluded. The report of this case elicited quite a good deal of interest by the members of the society and were it not for the high standing of the medical gentlemen making the report would have been discredited. No explanation of the phenomenon was offered. The patient has been in this condition some four months.

—The Clarion *Democrat* relates a couple of incidents which are common to rafting seasons:

On Thursday morning of last week, before daylight, Winfield Spence and Anthony Mays of Scotch Hill, fell off the abutment of the railroad bridge at the mouth of the Clarion river. They had run a raft and were returning for another, and it being dark, Mays fell and the other immediately after. The distance was about 30 feet and it is a marvel they escaped without serious injury. Spence was considerably bruised, but Mays walked up to Clarion and run out another raft the same day.

Robert McKasky was running a board raft, and undertook to land above Little Toby, after dark on Thursday night of last week. He missed his hitch and stopped ashore, while the raft ran on. The two men on the raft, Lancaster and McKasky had to let 'er slide, and finally stuck at Russell's dam in the middle of the stream, where they were compelled to remain all night. Next morning they managed to get ashore and come up to Clarion for breakfast. Many incidents of this kind occur among raftmen. In fact rafting is rather a hard venture.

—Some parties, unknown, attempted to fire the barber shop of Wilson Reynolds, on the corner of Centre and Sycamore streets, Saturday morning. The parties entered the shop at about four o'clock in the morning, it is supposed; making their entry by a window. They emptied a coal box of its contents and turned into it some kerosene. A lighted lamp was set down in the bottom, and across the top of the box, directly over the flame of the lamp were placed sticks of kindling wood. The parties then departed, taking with them four razors, a hone and a pair of scissors. When Reynolds came to the shop in the morning the lamp was still burning and one stick had burned through.—*Derrick.*

—The House has passed, a bill appropriating one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the State Hospital of the Insane at Warren, to be expended in the erection of buildings. It is provided in the bill that the work shall be let by contract to the lowest and best bidder. This proviso does not meet the views of the Commissioners, who intended to have the hospital erected by hiring men by the day. They say the contract system is the most expensive and produces inferior work.

—On Monday evening last, the house of John Reddinger, of Ringgold township, was burned, and one of his children, a little boy, perished in the flames. It appears that Mr. Riddinger and his wife went to see a sick neighbor during the evening mentioned, leaving four children at home, who in their parents absence went to bed, leaving a burning candle on the bureau, which from some means set fire to the surrounding furniture, the children being waked up by a suffocating smoke in the room. Three of the children escaped, but one was caught by the devouring element, and its body was taken from the ruins a blackened and disfigured mass, almost consumed. This is a horrible affair, and is another warning to parents to never entrust the lives of their children or the safety of their property in the hands of those not aware of the dangers with which they are surrounded.—*Brookville Republican.*

—On Friday last a little child of Mr. Steve Seaton's was playing on the railroad track at the Cochran farm, when a freight train came along at a rapid rate. The child saw the train approaching and commenced crying, but made no effort to get off the track until the train was nearly upon it, and when it was too late. The cow catcher struck the child, raised it from the track, and threw it off at one side. The child was picked up for dead, but upon examination was found to be unhurt with the exception of two or three slight bruises upon the head and body. The engineer of the train saw the child upon the track and did all in his power to stop the train but it was under too great headway.—*Venango Citizen.*

—John Lynch, conductor of train 50, Allegheny Valley R. R., was run over and instantly killed at Foxburgh, Tuesday night. While in the act of turning the switch the train struck him, knocking him under the wheels. His head was entirely severed from his body and he was otherwise fearfully mutilated. He leaves a wife and two children.—*Spectator.*

—A woman middled aged, who is said to reside in Hydetown, was in this city on Thursday last, and visited several places where liquor is sold, and prayed and sang for the benefit of the proprietors. She is probably insane.—*Titusville Courier.*

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County of Forest vs J. P. Siggins, late Treasurer.
Elizabeth Green vs R. C. Scott et al.
Freeman H. Ellsworth for use vs Jno. H. Dilks et al.
L. B. Hoffman vs John Fagundas et al.
John Beason for use vs Leopold Hilbruner.
H. H. May vs. James T. Whisner et al.
H. H. May vs John Miller et al.
Jno. Weible et al vs J. J. McCaslin.
The Fourth National Bank of Pittsburgh et al vs Geo. S. Hunter et al.
Hill, Fox & Co. vs George S. Hunter.
Elizabeth Rafferty vs Michael Rafferty Sr.
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John Cleary vs John Cobb & Son.
John A. Dodd vs Benj. R. Cole.
Chas. Murphy vs Thomas Porter.
Joseph Zouver vs John Cooper.
Samuel Duff vs L. C. Wynkoop et al.
Owston & Sowers vs A. V. R. R. Co.
Jas. E. Brown vs B. Dobbs et al.
W. W. Ledyard vs John A. & J. G. Dale.
C. Turner vs H. Heath et al.
Jas. Beebe et ux vs H. Heath et al.
Chas. Hinton vs D. R. Walter.
Shriver & Sawyer for use vs G. S. Hunter.
J. M. Kepler vs Alex. Wallace.
S. Q. McClintock vs Wm. Gifford.
Edward Jones vs C. S. Richardson.
L. Behrens vs The Penna. Trans. Co. et al.
A. Bean vs Wm. Howe et al.
L. Moyer vs Daniel Black.

J. B. AGNEW, Proth'y.

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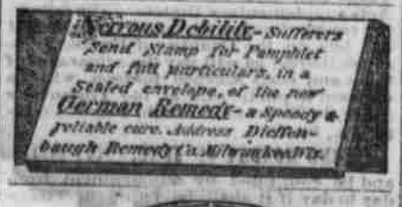

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