

BIG TRIP OF LITTLE BOY

Five-Year-Old Lad Travels From Philadelphia to San Francisco Alone.

RECEIVED EVERY COMFORT

Conductors Look After Little Traveler Who Is Tagged—Most Unique Journey on Trans-Continental.

San Francisco, May 5.—Among the passengers alighting from the steps of the Southern Pacific's Atlantic express at the local depot yesterday, was Frederick E. Coggsill, a little 5-year-old boy who has completed a journey believed to be unique in the history of trans-continental railroads. Entirely unaccompanied; tagged that he might be properly directed and forwarded, the child made the trip from Philadelphia in the care of conductors, who gave every attention to his comfort and safety.

STRANGE DISEASE PREVAILS.

Several Children Die and Doctors Are Much Puzzled.

New York, May 5.—Several children have died within the last few days and many others are suffering from a new disease which has appeared in the neighborhood of Madison avenue and One Hundred and Fifth street. At least 20 cases are reported from one hospital. The doctors have been wholly unable to diagnose the disease, but they believe it to be due to germs arising from the walls of old tenements, the lower floors of which are being rebuilt into stores. The walls, ceilings and floors are being scraped or torn

down and in the dust thus raised the germs appear to germinate.

The symptoms of the new disease are headache, lassitude, rapidly developing fever and usually death within 24 hours. The health department are now investigating the matter.

Eugene Canfield Dead.

New York, May 5.—Eugene Canfield, a well known comedian is dead here from pneumonia. His principal work in recent years has been in the Hoyt farces.

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PRICE OF ICE IS ADVANCED

Trouble in Getting Product During the Winter Works Hardship.

THE CONSUMERS MUST PAY

Because of Severe Winter and Not in Spite of It Raise Is Made by Companies in the Business.

Chicago, May 5.—Announcement is made that the price of ice in Chicago is to be higher this year, not in spite of the rigorous winter, but because of it. The ice companies claim the product was so extremely thick and difficult to cut that they spent more than the usual amount of money for labor and forced to raise the price to consumers.

Last year ice sold at wholesale at 15 and 20 cents a hundred pounds, according to quality. It will be sold at 25 and 30 cents a hundred this year. Last year families were supplied at 30 and 35 cents a hundred pounds. This year ice will cost 35 and 40 cents a hundred.

Railroad Guards Doubled.

New York, May 5.—Dispatches from Harbin to the Times say the forces guarding the Siberian railroad have been doubled at each station and bridge and that companies of mounted frontier guards make daily excursions on either side of the railway for a distance of 15 miles. The object of these excursions is to clear the neighborhood of Manchurian brigands, collisions with whom had become increasingly frequent.

C. R. F. P. Union—Notice.

The regular monthly meeting of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union will be held at Fishermen's hall on Astoria street, Saturday May 7, 1904, at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

Shall this union affiliate with the Fishermen's Protective Union of the Pacific Coast and Alaska, and other important questions will come up. Members in good standing are requested to be present and have their book or receipt along.

H. M. LORNTSEN, Secretary.

THE IRON TRADE REVIEW SPEAKS OF CURRENT MARKET

Decision of Lake Ore Producers to Discontinue Association Produces no Surprise in Business Circles.

Cleveland, May 5.—The Iron Trade Review in its current issue says:

The decision of the merchant producers of Lake Superior to maintain no association this year, and an agreement as to price or to output while contrary to the expectations encouraged by many recent expressions from high sources was not surprising to those who have been advised of the sentiment of the merchants' firm. This action is not so significant as it would have been two months ago, as in the meantime term contracts involving considerable amounts of ore have been negotiated, leaving not more than 3,000,000 tons that will require to be bought in the open market this year. The prices of 1904 ore, under the new term contracts are somewhat lower than the \$3.50 base tentatively referred to in the resolution of the merchant ore men adopted in their separate meeting at New York two weeks ago. Standard Mesaba Bessemer are understood to have gone at about \$3. These contracts are on a sliding scale, based on the pig iron market. More of them are likely to be made so that the necessity of an association agreeing promises to grow less though the ore men expect to keep up their organization

for statistical purposes. Ore for 1904 is not expected to come down before June 1, but furnaces in most cases are well supplied, with many of them for weeks beyond that date. The lake labor situation is threatening, wages advancing on a declining market naturally meeting determined resistance. The rail trade, next to ore, is the most interesting feature of the week. Sales of standard sections included 7500 tons taken by the Lackawanna Steel Company and 20,000 tons by the United States Steel Corporation, the New York Central railroad placed 10,000 tons with each company. The Chicago rail mill of the corporation is kept busy with western orders and is assured of full operation until late in the year. The Edgar Thomson mill is operated to about only 60 per cent of its capacity.

When the rail news is written about all that is favorable in the week's development has been said. In other finished material lines as well as in pig iron the dullness has been marked. The sentimental effort of the Ore Association's action will not be helpful in spite of what may be said as to the lower prices of ore having been discounted in the pig iron market.

ly introduced in the British army. He put battery 53, Royal garrison artillery, the champion shooting battery of the British army, winners last year of the first prize, through a series of trials. The gunners in one minute with the 12-pounder breech-loading field gun fired 26 rounds and struck the target 20 times at a distance of 2500 yards. It is believed to be a record performance. The controlling device worked perfectly.

Notice.

To the citizens of Astoria. The Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F. for Oregon will meet in Astoria on May 17. There will be about 600 persons to accommodate. Anyone having a spare bed or beds will please notify Jas. W. Welch, 654 Commercial street, with name, number of house, beds and street.

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EXPLOSION AND RIOT.

Italians Get Boisterous After Disaster and Wound Detective.

Philadelphia, May 5.—An explosion of a gasoline tank in the freight yards of the Pennsylvania railroad at Thirteenth and Market streets early today by which 12 firemen were burned, was followed by a riot among Italian emigrants. Assistant Chief Peters of the fire department was seriously burned. Half an hour after the fire started a trainload of emigrants arrived from New York. The newcomers tried to leave the cars and break through the fire lines. A fight ensued in which Railroad Detective Conner was shot in the side by one of the Italians. Underground in the yards some distance from Market street are tanks of gasoline. Fire started near them quickly communicated to the storage warehouse. Just as the city firemen got a stream on the building it exploded. All the men nearby were literally bathed in flames.

DEAD ARE UNKNOWN.

Sudden Explosion of Dynamite Causes Death of Foreigners.

Indianapolis, May 5.—Mesger information from the William Spencer railroad camp on the Indianapolis Southern railroad near Unionville, indicates that two men were killed, two fatally and three seriously injured. It seems that a dozen or more men were working in a tunnel over a charge of dynamite, placing it in position when the explosion occurred. All of the men killed or wounded are foreigners and it is impossible to secure their names owing to the absence of any means of communication.

PEACE IN COAL FIELDS.

Strike in Southern Fields of Colorado Declared Off.

Pueblo, Col., May 5.—From a telegram received from H. M. Simpson, secretary of the Victor Fuel Company in this city, it is inferred that the coal strike in the southern coal fields is declared off. No details are given, but it is understood that the reason for declaring the strike at an end is the failure of the national organization of the United Mine Workers of America to further support the Colorado strikers. No communication has yet been received from the headquarters of the national organization.

Bishop Innocent Goes North.

San Francisco, May 5.—Bishop Innocent, who has been in this city temporarily in charge of the Greek church will leave immediately for Sitka to which diocese he was appointed some months ago. Bishop Tikon is expected back here to resume charge of the western territory under his jurisdiction.

Test by Gunnery Expert.

Victoria, B. C., May 5.—A gunnery expert from Halifax, N. S., is here testing the new fire controlling device late-



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