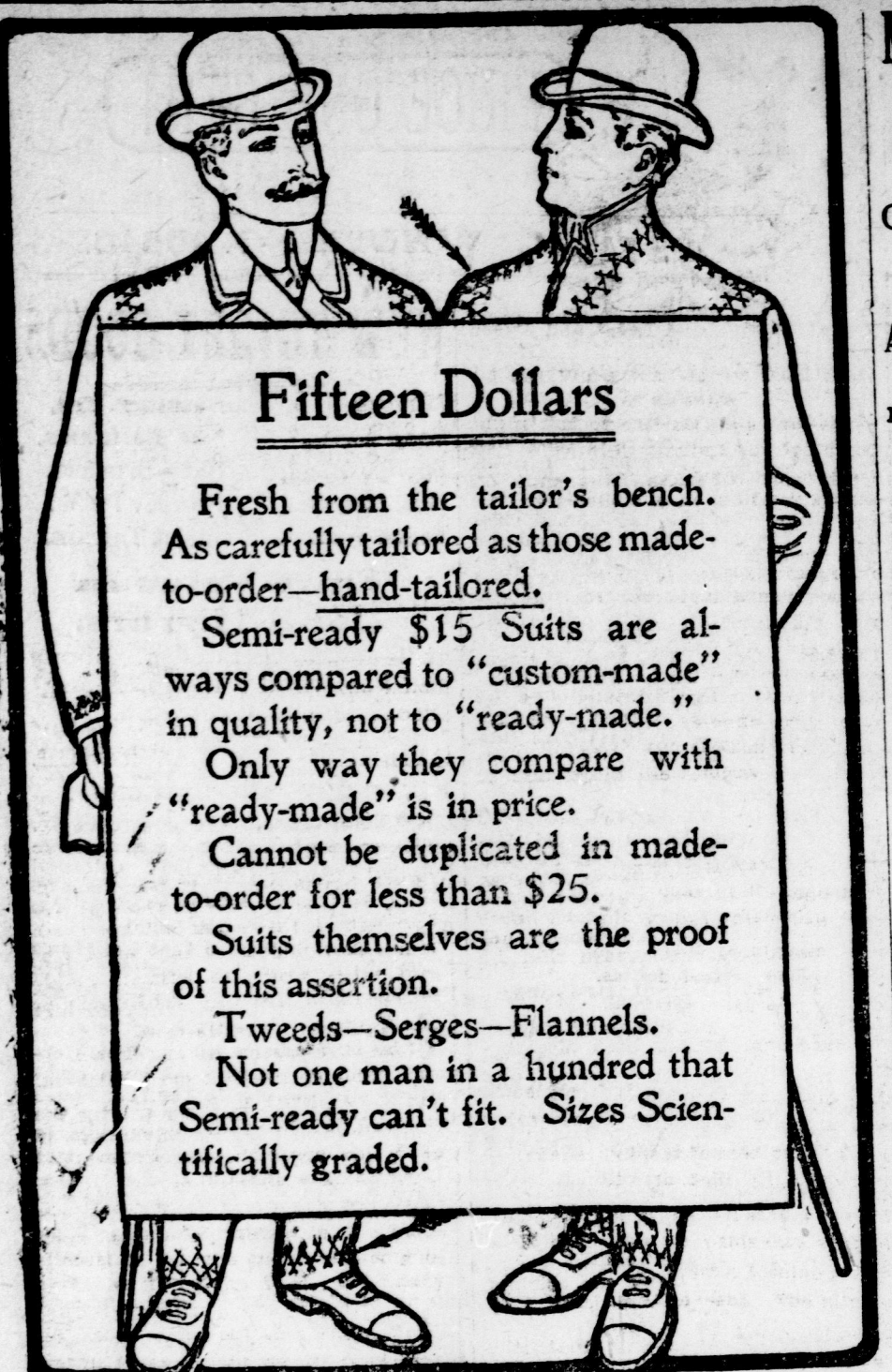




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MONASTERY IN ASHES

The Trappist Institution Near Oka Destroyed by Fire.

Montreal, July 24.—The Trappist monastery, near Oka, on the Lake of Two Mountains, was destroyed by fire yesterday, and nothing is left of the big structure but the chimneys.

All the occupants, numbering 57 monks and priests, got out of the building safely. The building was a comparatively new one, and it was pleasantly situated among the hills of the Laurentian range, overlooking the Ottawa River, where it broadens out into the Lake of Two Mountains. The monks conducted a farm and agricultural college. The fire started at about 10 o'clock in the forenoon in the tailor shop, while most of the monks were working in the fields. The alarm bells were rung, and the monks returned and did their best to fight the fire, but to no avail. Most of the chapel furniture and sacred vessels were saved. Six monks who were in the infirmary were saved with much difficulty, and two of them, who were very ill, may not recover. The stables and live stock were saved.

EBER WANTS A DIVORCE

He is a Brother of Princess Chimay—Wife a Toronto Girl.

Detroit, July 25.—Eber B. Ward, son of the late Capt. Eber B. Ward, of Detroit, has filed a bill for divorce in Chicago. The matrimonial contract from which he asks the court to release him was entered into in 1889, the bride being Miss Victoria Amelia Herbert, a Toronto girl. She was ten years older than Ward, who was then only 20 years of age. The marriage was arranged by Ward's parents, and it was so arranged that it would tend to some of his wishes.

The couple went to Europe and settled in Paris. A year after the marriage they were blessed with twins. Less than two years later Ward left his wife, giving her an annuity of \$12,000. Ward continued to reside in Paris, while Mrs. Ward returned to her parents in Toronto, where, after securing a divorce, she married a gentleman of good business and social standing. Ward lives on the income of an estate valued now between \$300,000 and \$400,000. He is a brother of the Princess Chimay (Clara Ward), whose escapades with the gipsy Rigol have attracted worldwide attention.

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Mrs. J. Brunton, Allandale, Ont., states: "I can recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment as a sure cure for sore feet. I stand a great deal on my feet, and have been troubled for some time with chafing and blisters. My toes were often raw and painful."

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Dr. Chase's Ointment, 50 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edmanston, Bates & Co., Toronto.

The number of letters in the Philippine Islands is estimated at about 12,000.

A TONIC FOR THE DEBILITATED.—Parmentier's Vegetable Pills, by acting mildly but thoroughly on the secretions of the body, are a valuable tonic, stimulating the lagging organs to healthful action and restoring them to full vigor. They can be taken in graduated doses and so used that they will be beneficial at any time without return of the ailments which they were used to cure.

MAN WHO MADE CARDIFF GIANT

One of the World's Most Taking Impositions.

ARTIST TELLS HOW 'TAS DONE

Money-Making Fake That Fooled the Scientists—Barnum Made \$1,000,000 Out of It.

San Francisco, Cal., July 25.—An artist is now in the city who claims to have been the sculptor of the famous Cardiff giant that has excited such a furore in the scientific world more than a score of years ago. His name is G. Fabricio Sala, and he is endeavoring to dispose of the statue of "Faith," that has been lying in the mechanics' pavilion at the exposition grounds ever since the close of the great fair held here seven years since. He claims that P. T. Barnum, the showman, made a million dollars by exhibiting his Cardiff giant, which was long accepted as the genuine petrified remains of a race of giant human beings who once inhabited this country.

CLEVER HOAX.

The figure, to the many people who visited Barnum's show in those days, was supposed to represent the petrified form of a prehistoric man. It was twelve feet long, four feet broad and weighed three and a half tons. It was supposed to have been dug out of the earth at Cardiff, N. Y. This, to a certain extent, was true, but the fact that it was carved out of gypsum and before the clever ones was kept a profound secret. That it was one of the cleverest hoaxes ever perpetrated was proven by the number of sculptors, archaeologists, antiquarians, clergymen and others of the learned professions who were taken in by the figure and gave more or less profound explanations of its origin.

STORY OF THE FRAUD.

Mr. Sala is an elderly man, who has made his reputation over the world as a sculptor of considerable merit. It was only by express reluctance that he was induced a day or two ago to talk of his connection with the chiseling out of the giant. He simply undertook the work in a professional way, having been employed by a Mr. Taylor, who was at that time, 1868, a sort of silent partner with Barnum.

"Yes, it was I who carved the Cardiff giant," said Mr. Sala, "and Mr. Taylor paid me the handsome sum of \$15,000 for the work. Subsequently he often gave me \$500 when ever his receipts were exceptionally good. He was an excellent payer, and I carried the giant in a barn near Quincy, Ill. The slab of gypsum was obtained in the vicinity. There is plenty of gypsum as well as onyx in that region. Of course, I had nothing to do with the slab after it left Quincy, but I know that from there it was shipped to Chicago, then by water to Buffalo, and finally by canal boat and team to Cardiff, N. Y., where it was buried. The nature

of the package was, of course, kept a secret.

A number of the Popular Science Monthly published in 1878 bears out Sala's statement in some details, but mentions, Edward Sala, a German, as one of the sculptors, and the other as a Mr. Markham, an American. Mr. Sala claims that the Sala referred to can be no other than himself, and the use of the name is a mistake on the part of the writer.

MADE TO APPEAR ANCIENT

Before the burial of the giant in the old stone, the figure was subjected to long and careful rubbing with sand and water, which produced the water-worn appearance so often cited as incontrovertible evidence of extreme antiquity. The pores of the skin were carefully imitated by picking the entire surface with leaden hammers faced with needles, giving the peculiar "goose flesh," which puzzled so many. As there still remained an appearance of freshness the figure was given a sulphuric acid bath to give it the desired appearance of age.

"A year afterwards," says the publication, "the statue was accidentally unearthed by well diggers, the arch-engineer of the hoax being given as Mr. Hull (reporter of the New York Times). It had been carefully arranged, and there were many neighbors around to spread abroad the news of the extraordinary find in the neighboring country and on the following day four medical men, scientific men, investigated the giant and accepted the hoax without the least hesitancy. Later it was examined by Dr. Boynton of Syracuse, a man possessed of some antiquarian knowledge, and he came to the conclusion that it was a statue made some 300 years ago by the Jesuit fathers. He as once offered \$10,000 for it."

SCIENTISTS FOOLED.

By way of an advertisement invitations were sent to Prof. Agassiz, Prof. Hull, state geologist, S. V. Wood, secretary of the New York State University, and a large delegation of scientific men from different parts of the state. The state geologist pronounced the figure to be a statue of great antiquity. Prof. Ward, who filled the chair of natural science in Rochester university, said: "It is not going back to the stone age, it is nevertheless deserving of the attention of archaeologists. A prominent clergyman wrote: 'This is not a thing contrived by man, but it is the face of one who lived like all the earth; the very image and child of God.' Many scientific societies took the matter up and extolled their gullibility more or less strongly in resolutions."

BARNUM'S PROFITS.

The man to first puncture the hoax was Prof. Marsh, of Yale—who made a point by visiting the statue, and solving in 400 parts of water, yet the face of the giant was smooth and little dissolved, though surrounded by water. The hoax was exposed, but it must have been of very recent date. It is estimated that \$3,000,000 was made out of the hoax before Barnum introduced it to the public. While the figure was being exhibited in Boston, Mr. Sala says that to his own knowledge the drawings amounting to about \$4,000, a standing Prof. Marsh's findings and other hard blows the hoax received from other two decades, when it was said to have died a natural death, or, to use popular language, to have been "played out."

CANADIANS AT BISLEY TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Are Not Doing as Well as on Previous Occasions.

Dominion Rifle Association Rule That Is Detrimental.

Bisley Camp, July 24.—It is considered a great mistake here that the rule of the Dominion Rifle Association prohibiting competitors coming to Bisley more than twice in five years should be kept in force. The unanimous opinion here is that the man who wins a place on the team at the annual matches in Ottawa should be allowed to go to Bisley, no matter how frequently he has been there before. For the first time in years not one of the Canadian team figures in the all comers' aggregate, in which prizes are awarded to the competitors whose scores in the Alexandra, Daily Graphic, Daily Telegraph and Graphic matches make up the highest aggregate.

Serg. George Mortimer was a contestant in the Steward challenge cup match, and secured 22nd place, and a prize of £1. The distance was 200 yards, with seven shots in a sitting or kneeling position.

In a 24th match yesterday Pte. Scott, 33rd, Capt. Margretts, 25th, and Capt. King, 34th, each won £5. Two pounds went to Lance-Corporal Mortimer, 12nd; Color-Serg. Moorop, 18th; Serg. Perry, 16th, and Capt. Mitchell, 22nd. Pte. Scott, in 75th place, each won £2 in the Martin challenge cup match.

Shooting in the first stage of the St. George's challenge competition took place today, the distance being 300 and 600 yards, with seven shots at each distance. The first 100 in the first stage will be entitled to compete in the second stage tomorrow, the distance being 500 yards. The scores of the Canadians at the 500 yards range today were as follows: Bonnet 29, Bayles 34, Carruthers 35, Davidson 34, Jones 32, King 33, Mortimer 30, Moscrop 30, Mortimore 28, Margretts 32, Mitchell 34, MacDougall 35, Peddie 33, Perry 31, Richardson 30, Rennie 34, Smith 32, Scott 35, Skeddin 38, Spearling 32. At 600 yards the best scores amongst the Canadians were made by Lance-Corp. Mortimer, 33, and Pte. Scott 32.

Capt. Rennie, of Toronto, stood highest among the Canadians in the grand aggregate, and won a gold watch, presented by the Canada Company. Pte. Scott, who came second, was given a silver tea set by Lord Strathcona.

The annual garden party given by the Canadian team was a success. Among those present were Sir Frederick Borden, Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. J. M. Gibson, attorney-general of Ontario, and a former commandant of the Bisley team.

Governor Ross Better.

Ottawa, July 24.—According to a telegram received today, there is a general improvement in the condition of Governor Ross, of the Yukon. He is taking food better, and resting easily. He is more cheerful.

No Russian officer may marry until he is 25.



meet the needs of the Ladies so correctly and at such a small cost that they have gained a quick popularity. Indeed we have never carried a corset that gave such entire satisfaction. If you have not yet worn a pair of these popular, perfect-fitting corsets, do so.

Shirt Waist Bargain

Our special 9 o'clock Saturday Sales have been splendidly successful because they had the strong backing of genuineness, goods were as represented and prices astonishingly low. Here is an opportunity for Saturday buyers to buy a stylish waist at a remarkably low price. Come early and have first choice of the lot. A limited quantity.

Five doz. only in various qualities of lace stripe and fancy stripe Muslins, and plain and mercerized Chambrays, in colorings of pink, linen, blue, rose, and heliotrope, made in many of the newest styles, with hem-stitching and tucking, with lace and embroidered insertions; nice full fronts, dainty cuffs and collars; buttoned front and back; all very stylish and serviceable garments; actually worth \$1.50 and \$1.75 each; our special price for Saturday, only \$1.25

This Is Your Chance to Get a Nice Waist At Small Cost, Don't Forget to See Them Early, and Saturday Is the Day.

Big Linen Values for Saturday

Saturday will be the last day of our Great Midsummer Linen Sale, and to bring it to a fitting close we will make for Saturday some special reductions that ought to bring out every woman in London who has a requirement in the Linen line and wants to save money. Remember the following are special prices for Saturday only.

Doily Special One lot hemstitched and fringed pure Linen Doilies, regular prices 15c, 16c and 20c each. Saturday at two for 25c each. Saturday a snap at only 15c each.

10 dozen Towels—Large Fringed Huck and Knotted Fringe Damask Towels, every one sold regularly at 20c each. Saturday a snap at only 15c each.

1 piece only Bleached Damask Tableing, our regular 50c yard quality, to go for 39c.

2 pieces only Bleached Damask Tableing, our regular 75c yard quality, to go for 59c.

These are in addition to lines of Tableing and Fancy Linens already on sale. We have many other bargains in quantities too small to advertise that will be most interesting to customers. Come early, and remember that Saturday will be the last day for these specials.

Print Wrapper Sale Saturday

Just now when you need them, at the beginning of the warm weather, NICE COOL GARMENTS at prices you never dreamed of.

For 69c This lot comprises odd garments of the different lines up to \$1.25. Serviceable Print Wrappers, in colorings of light and dark blue, light and dark pink, red, mauve, and black, sizes 32 to 42, made in different styles, mostly with yoke front and back, and frilled trimming on collar, yoke and cuffs, extra wide skirts, with deep flounce. The lot clearing at 69c.

For 98c This lot comprises odd garments of the different lines up to \$2.00. Extra fine Print and Heavy Percale Wrappers, in colorings of red, blue, pink, gray, mauve and black, sizes 32 to 42, made in the very best styles, some with yoke and revers trimmed with lace and braid, others trimmed with ruffles, skirts extra wide, with deep flounce. The lot to clear at 98c.

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Test it your next bake day.

All grocers sell Empire Soda, 5c. a packet.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

CONVENIENCE FOR TOURISTS

It is Found in the Interchangeable Mileage Ticket.

A statue of Robert Burns will be erected in Glasgow.

The Toronto firemen's relief fund is nearing the \$50,000 mark.

The defalcation of J. C. McKeand, financier of the E. T. Wright Company, of Hamilton, will amount to about \$10,000.

The store and dwelling house of Jos. Milks, Parker's Station, Barby township, Quebec, were destroyed by fire on Wednesday. Loss about \$3,000.

The body of Joseph Cateau, a Brooklyn grocer, has been found in Bay Ridge harbor, tied in a sack. Victim of Trica is under arrest on suspicion.

The new city directory gives the population of Ottawa at 73,194. There are 24,241 individual names in the directory. The Dominion census placed the population at 59,400.

Lieut. Lockman, of the United States cavalry, has been acquitted of "unlawfully" ducking natives in the Philippines to compel them to act as guides. The court-martial justified the lieutenant's action. One native died.

May Yoh, who was formerly the wife of Lord Francis Hope, sailed for Europe on Thursday on the steamer Puert Bismarck. Her cabin on the boat was not engaged in her name, but she was aboard the ship when it sailed.

W. N. King, a well-known commercial traveler, died at the home of his family at Ottawa yesterday, aged 37. He was exceptionally popular, and traveled in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

The Montreal Board of Trade Council has instructed the president, Mr. McFee, who is now in England, to maintain the position of the board that the summer ports for the proposed fast Atlantic service should be Montreal and Quebec, and the winter ports, Halifax and St. John.

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