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LOOKS LIKE REAL WAR THIS TIME

Nicaragua and Honduras are Preparing To Go At Each Other---Central America May Be Scene of a Conflict Worthy of The Name.

CITY OF MEXICO. Feb. 23—"War is an actual condition in Central America," said under-secretary of state Algers last night. We have received a message from the Mexican consul-general at the capital of Honduras, which says:

"Minister of Foreign Affairs Cullon declares that active war has been started against Nicaragua. President Bonilla is now at the head of the Honduran troops and marching to the front to meet the army of Nicaragua."

In response to questions as to the position of Salvador in the struggle Secretary Algers was reticent, but when assured that the Associated Press has received information that the republic would become involved as an ally of Honduras, he admitted that the department had received telegrams corroborating this.

A high official who asked that his name be not used at this time said:

"This upheaval will perhaps be the most formidable that has ever occurred in Central America. At first it will be Honduras and Salvador against Nicaragua, but from information which we have obtained we know that Guatemala will be the ally of Nicaragua. Whether the aid of President Cabrera's country will be open or secret we don't yet know, but we do know that the country will be drawn into the controversy.

"This will mean that all Central America will be in a state of war with the exception of the republic of Costa Rica. As to her attitude we are uncertain."

GETTING AFTER THE GOVERNOR

Some Members of Quebec Legislature Think Lieutenant Governor's Residence is an Expensive Luxary.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23—(Special) — In the provincial legislature, Spencerwood, the official residence of the lieutenant-governor, has been the cause of an interesting discussion.

Godfrey Langlois, of Montreal, moved a resolution to the effect that Spencerwood was too expensive a luxury for the province.

His speech brought three of the ministers to their feet.

Hon. W. A. Weir, as minister of public works, defended the maintenance of Spencerwood.

Hon. Adelard Turgeon, as one of the few liberals who had supported the resolution of condemnation in 1895, made one of the most graceful speeches of the session in explanation of his change of mind.

Finally the prime minister joined in the fray and dealt clearly with the changes which had taken place since the days when the liberal party had endorsed such resolutions and enlarged upon the importance of having an official residence worthy of the residence of the representative.

Mr. Langlois moved that: Whereas, the expenses for repairs and maintenance of Spencerwood since 1867 amounted to $355,908.46. Be it resolved that this house is of the opinion that in view of the finances of this province, it is necessary to cease spending money for the repairs, maintenance and improvement of Spencerwood, and to dispose of such property at the expiration of office of the person who now occupys it, that this house relies on the enlightened patriotism and disinterestedness of men appointed to the honorable and amply rmunerated position of lieutenant-governor to help it in realizing so great an economy.

Mr. Langlois then compared the salary of $10,000 received by the lieutenant-governor with the salary of $1,500 attached to the post of governor of the State of Vermont, and $3,000 in Rhode Island, $5,000 in Maine and $6,000 in Illinois.

KILLED BY A TRAIN

LINDSAY, Ont., Feb. 23 (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. A. Primeau, respected residents of this town, were driving home from a visit in the country last evening, when they were struck by an incoming C. P. R. train from Toronto, Mrs. Primeau being instantly killed and Mr. Primeau seriously hurt.

FOSTER MAY DIE FROM INJURIES

Young Man Who Was Injured in McGill Boxing Bout is Still in a Comatose Condition.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23 (Special)—Arthur Neville Foster, of Alma, N. B., the McGill student who was recently injured in a boxing bout at the college gymnasium, is reported to be in a comatose condition most of the time, although the hospital authorities merely state his condition is unchanged. It is feared by his friends his injury will prove fatal.

WHY NOT SEND CHIPMAN HOUSE!

Anson Gard, Writes to Mayor Sears Asking for Souvenirs of King Edward's Visit to St. John.

The mayor received a letter today from Anson A. Gard, of Ottawa, an author asking for autographs and photographs of all persons now living who took an active part in the entertainment to the Prince of Wales, now King Edward VII on the occasion of his visit to Canada in 1860.

Mr. Gard is preparing a volume of elaborate design containing an account of the trip, which will be sent to the king and the president of the United States. The volume will be profusely illustrated and will be enclosed in very handsome cases made of historic woods. Mr. Gard asks that any bits of historic wood there may be here may be sent to him to be worked into the box which is to hold the volume for the king.

It could not be learned this morning if any who took an active part in the ceremonies when the prince was here, are living now or not. Engineer Peters and Clarence Ward, mayor's clerk, remember the occasion very well. They were both members of the fire department and the militia at that time. Mr. Peters supplied some of the silverware which was used by the prince during his stay here.

Chief Justice Tuck, Judge Landry, Judge Hanington, and Judge McLeod came in on the Boston from Fredericton today.

STATEMENT OF WINTER PORT BUSINESS TO DATE FOR SEASON 1906---1907

The following is a list of ocean steamships that have made their returns to the customs house up to date, showing the valuation of each cargo exported to the United Kingdom:—

Steamers	Value
Alcides	$ 102,749
Empress of Ireland	168,155
Parisian	22,792
Parthenia	163,441
Montfort	308,970
Montezuma	303,786
Tunisian	83,655
London City	13,900
Lake Champlain	255,140
Sarmatian	15,826
Marina	111,183
Empress of Britain	219,954
Mount Temple	372,169
Cassandra	130,888
Laurentian	61, 66
Monmouth	332,658
Halifax City	3,294
Lake Erie	290,870
Ionian	69,725
Manchester Corporation	4,435
Empress of Ireland	201,469
Inishowen Head	127,185
Lakonia	179,537
Sardinian	29,130
St. John City	4,136
Lake Michigan	668,786
Montcalm	265,085
Lake Manitoba,	314,660
Alcides	117,049
Almeriana	7,187
Parisian	70,668
Manchester Importer	116,914
Bengore Head	82,294
Salacia	112,734
Pomeranian	81,858
Empress of Britain	296,325
Wyandotte	202,331
Manchester Trader	116,585
Montreal	329,021
Montfort	323,828
Parthenia	102,748
Lake Champlain	357,362
Pretorian	223,664
Tunisian	169,232
Marina	151,782
Manchester Shipper	178,329
Monmouth	269,322
Montezuma	427,379
Kastalia	145,597
Ionian	133,576
Lake Erie	235,528
London City	12,738
Canada Cape	216,327
Lakonia	133,149
Evangeline	6,326
Mount Temple	397,029
Empress of Britain	343,338
Dunmore Head	78,311
Inishowen Head	64,282
Athenia	135,458
St. John City	10,492
Parisian	69,308
Montcalm	177,938
Lake Manitoba	302,681
Total for 64 sailings	$10,975,835

RECAPITULATION.

Value of Canadian goods	$ 7,426,485
Value of United States goods	3,549,350
Grand total to date.	$10,975,835

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WILL JEROME TRY TO PROVE THAT THAW IS INSANE NOW?

JEALOUS WOMAN KILLS LOVER

Jealousy the Motive for Murder in Chicago

When Mrs. McDonald Heard Her Clandestine Lover Had Another Girl She Shot Him

CHICAGO, Feb. 23—While lying in her cell at the police station, Mrs. Michael McDonald, who on Thursday shot and killed an artist named Guerin, yesterday told the police enough to lead them to the conclusion that it was jealousy and not blackmail that led her to take the life of her alleged clandestine lover. Made desperate by the report that Guerin was betrothed to a west side girl, the police believe, that she took Guerin's life in revenge. Mrs. MacDonald is in such a condition mentally that nothing of a definite character regarding the tragedy can be learned whatever. Her physicians said last night that she showed symptons of improvement and that in a few days she would have fully recovered.

FIFTEEN HAVE BEEN TAKEN OFF

Three More Survivors Picked Off Wreck of Steamer Berlin This Morning.

HOOK OF HOLLAND, Feb. 23—In the early hours of the morning the three remaining survivors were taken off the wreck of the British steamer Berlin, by the same lifeboat crew which has done such splendid work during the past 48 hours. The rescued persons are all women. This brings the total number of saved up to 15 out of the 143 who were on board the vessel.

AN OLD AGE PENSION?

OTTAWA, Ont, Feb. 23 (Special).—Mr. Pringle has given notice in the house that he will move for a committee to enquire into a scheme to make provision for the aged.

The Airgiod Cobalt Mining Company has been formed with Hon. William Templeman as president, A. C. Ross, M. P., vice-president, and C. B. Ross, secretary-treasurer. Senator Mel in Jones, Senator Mitchell and Solicitor General Bureau are directors of the company.

FUNERALS

The funeral of the late Miss Clara M. Scovil was held this morning at 9 o'clock from Chamberlain's undertaking rooms to Fernhill cemetery, where interment was made. Rev. Mr. Stuart read the funeral service at the grave.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth McKee was held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence City Road to Fernhill where interment was made. Rev. Mr. Howard read the funeral service at the house.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Hamilton took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence 11 Wentworth street to the Church of England burial grounr, where interment was made. Rev. Mr. Stuart conducted the funeral service.

SLIGHT FIRE IN HALIFAX

HALIFAX, N. S. Feb. 23—(Special)—Fire broke out yesterday in a wooden building on the corner of Prince and Granville streets but the prompt appearance of the fire department stopped its progress. The blaze was caused by an electric wire.

The committee which was chosen at yesterday's meeting with Hon. H. R. Emmerson, to name five men who will act as a committee with the deputy minister of railways, to draw up a scheme for the management and control of the harbor, with the view of future development, will meet at the mayor's office at four o'clock Monday afternoon.

Reported That This Is District Attorney's Idea.

Mrs. Thaw Badly Used Up After Her Strenuous Cross-examination, and Three Day's Rest Is Welcome to Her.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, wife of the man who shot Stanford White for her sake, sadly needed the three days' grace, brought by the monday from District Attorney Jerome's searching cross-examination. This was indicated by her appearance when she visited her husband yesterday.

Mrs. Thaw looked but a shadow of her former self and those who have seen her almost daily since the trial began and who saw her yesterday, said the change was almost ghastly.

That she is suffering severely under the ordeal is plainly apparent and some fears were expressed yesterday when her appearance was noted, that she might not be able to withstand the trying situation still before her. Judging from the progress of Mr. Jerome's cross-examination as so far developed, he cannot possibly finish with the witness until two days.

Today reports are revived that Mr. Jerome is nearly ready to bring on his application for a lunacy commission to examine the defendant.

The district attorney, it is stated, has questioned Drs. J. T. Deemar, and C. F. Bingaman, the Thaw family physicians, who were summoned as witnesses for Thaw, and from what he heard from them regarding the insanity in the family of Mrs. Wm. Thaw, he has become certain that the strain has descended to Thaw and that he is now insane. It is pointed out that Mr. Jerome tried to have these doctors called before he began the examination of Mrs. Thaw, and that on Thursday he tried to interrupt her cross-examination to bring them to the stand.

The defence, however it is stated, scented his plan, and blocked it for the time by refusing to have Mrs. Thaw's testimony stopped.

Jerome is now willing to let things go along as the defence may force them, but ultimately, it is said, he will bring out his theory that Thaw is not a sane man, and then will come the application for a commission.

Both Thaw and his wife were concerned with a statement printed yesterday that no matter what was the outcome of the Thaw case young Mrs. Thaw would receive $500,000 as a reward for her testifying for her husband. It was intimated that soon after her husband's arrest she talked of going abroad, but gave the idea up after it had been arranged that she was to get $500,000. She refused to say anything about the story, but Lawyer Gleason characterized it as "malicious, cruel, false and inhuman."

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, N. B. Feb. 23—(Special)—The remains of late Joseph McKinnon, a normal school student who died here last night will be taken to his former home at Dougastown by the I. C. R. this afternoon. The deceased while suffering from la grippe played two games of basket ball at the university gymnasium on Saturday last and apparently overexerted himself. He became very ill shortly afterwards and although everything possible was done to save his life it was of no avail. He was a bright and promising student and his death is much regretted by his associates at the normal school. Colin McKinnon, father of the deceased, arrived by the noon train today and will take the body home for burial.

J. J. Fraser Winslow received a telegram this morning from Barnhill, Ewing & Sanford stating that the appeal to the supreme court against the winding up order in the boom company case had been withdrawn.

The thermometer registered eighteen degrees below zero here last night.

The Winslow-Richards case was again taken up in the equity court this morning, when the taking of Mr. Potter's testimony was continued.

COLDEST OF THE WINTER

Mercury Went to 12 Below This Morning

This is the Coldest Reported Since February 6th 1904 When 14 Was Reached.

Another north west cold wave struck the city last night.

Early this morning the temperature was 12 below zero. This is the lowest on record since February 6th 1904, when the temperature was 14 below zero.

Zero weather this morning is recorded from all sections of the province, the wind being strong from the north west.

At noon today the temperature was seven below the mark, with indications for continued cold weather tonight and tomorrow morning, followed by rising temperature with easterly winds, probably to the force of a gale.

At Point Lepreaux this morning at 11 o'clock the velocity of the north west wind was 28 miles an hour and the temperature was 12 below zero.

At Montreal it was 10 below zero. At Quebec, 16 below, at Chatham, 20 below, Sydney 2 below, Halifax 2 below, Boston 2 below, New York 6 above zero.

BOMB JUST MISSED HIM

Bomb Thrown at Chief of Police of Odessa Exploded Under His Carriage.

ODESSA, Feb. 23—A bomb was thrown beneath the carriage of the chief of police, Col. Von Gesseberg, as he was driving through the centre of the city this afternoon. The explosion of the bomb wrecked the carriage, severely injured the chief of police and shattered the windows of all the houses in the vicinity. The would-be assassin escaped.

WEDDINGS

Crocket-Dodge

Announcement is made of the marriage of Frederick Thomas Crockett, formerly of St. John, and Miss Cora Alena Dodge, of Roxbury, Mass. The marriage took place in Roxbury on Wednesday last.

PROROGATION APRIL 7th

OTTAWA, Ont. Feb. 23—(Special)—The general opinion here is that the parliament will prorogue on April 7 two days after Laurier and the ministers leave for the colonial conference.

COLD WEATHER AT CHATHAM

CHATHAM, N. B. Feb. 23—(Special)—The government thermometer registered nineteen below zero last night.

The races to have been held at Millidgeville this afternoon have been called off on account of the very cold weather.

The guard-room at the central police station presented a busy scene this morning, when the lucky contestants in the police sports called for their prizes, which were presented to them by Deputy Chief Jenkins. Thirty-nine out of fifty-four were called for.

A number of St. John people, among them Colonel and Mrs. George West-Jones, W. H. Thorne and Miss May Harrison are in Brookline (Mass.) to attend the wedding of Miss Winnifred Kaye, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Kaye, to Mr. Shepherd, of New York, which was announced to take place at high noon today.

James McHugh will lecture tomorrow afternoon before the Y. M. S. of St. Peter's on The Stage, and on Sunday week Judge Ritchie will lecture before the Y. M. S. of St. Joseph on Our Youth, Our Home.

TRAIN JUMPS OVER HIGH EMBANKMENT

Forty Are Reported Hurt in Railway Horror Early Today---While Rounding Curve Train Left Rails and Went Over Embankment Into River.

JOHNSTOWN, Feb. 23 (Special)—The Pennsylvania special, the fast 18 hour train on the Pennsylvania railroad, betweeen New York and Chicago, was wrecked at Black Diamond, Pa., seven miles east of Johnstown, shortly after midnight. From forty to fifty persons were injured and fourteen are reported as missing.

Many prominent Chicago men were on the train, all of whom were seriously injured.

The train was running about 50 miles an hour and was 35 minutes late. When rounding a sharp curve at Black Diamond the whole train swayed. The engine and smoking car remained on the tracks, but the Pullman coaches left the rails and plunged over a sixty foot embankment. All attempts to obtain information from the railroad officials were met with rebuffs at every hand and at an early hour today, while it was reported that fifty-four passengers were on the train when it left Altoona, only 40 were said to have been accounted for. It is believed that the missing are dead in the wreckage in the river, into which the train plunged over the embankment near the scene of the Johnstown flood.

At an early hour this morning this city was practically besieged by newspapermen on their way to the wreck. Trains were few and to reach the scene it was necessary to take a ten mile journey of four or more hours around the mountains. By telephone it was learned that the train was going fast. The engineer was trying to make up lost time. The wreck was caused by what is called by railroaders an "unavoidable accident." A brake rigger on the first Pullman coach, dropped down and tore up the right rail for a distance of 300 yards. The engine and combination coach did not leave the rails, but the four Pullmans following plunged down the embankment to the river bank, 100 feet below, overturning when they reached the bottom.

The "eighteen hour train" travels at a high rate of speed coming down the mountain. When the brake rigging fell it either snapped the heads off the bolts holding the rails to the ties or tore up the rails themselves.

DRUNKS IN THE POLICE COURT

Magistrate Ritchie Summarily Disposed Of a Number of Them.

"It's a good thing that some of you fellows were arrested last night; you might have been frozen. It was a bad night to get drunk."

This remark was made by Judge Ritchie, during the course of the police court proceedings this morning; when his honor also gave some of the unfortunates a severe reprimanding.

James Lawlor, a native of Ireland, who was given in charge by Capt. Ed. Outram, of the steamship Pretorian, of the Allan line, for refusing duty, claimed that he was sick and unable to work.

Daniel Mowatt, first officer of the Pretorian, R. E. Knowles, the ship's doctor, and James Barclay, the purser, were examined, and all stated that Lawlor was not sufficiently ill to attend to his duties, and the log showed that for over a week the man had been idle and each day forfeited $2 of his wages.

His honor told Lawlor he could be kept in jail for eight weeks and would be obliged to work.

The prisoner was given his choice between the jail and the Pretorian, and the first officer said they didn't want him on the vessel. He was remanded.

John Magee, charged with being drunk and assaulting his sister, Bell Magee, in her house St. Patrick street, was severely reprimanded and fined $20 or two months of the hardest, dirtiest work that could be found for him.

Dennis McLaughlin, a common drunk, was remanded.

Peter Andernon, charged with drunkenness and profanity was fined $8 or 30 days.

Chas. Cain and Matthew Murphy (or Malone), were fined $4 or ten days each for drunkenness.

Richard O'Brien, of steamship Montford, was fined $8 or two months for profanity.

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. Herbert Walker, and son, Herbert Nelson Walker, left for their home in Halifax on the C. P. R. after a very pleasant visit to Mrs. Walker's mother, Mrs. Robert Nelson, of Main street

R. Leddingham, jr., arrived on the Boston today.

George Robertson, M. P. P., arrived home today.

Miss H. Coughlan, of Exmouth street, has returned home after a visit to her brother, Rev. R. J. Coughlan, Johnville.

Conductor Fred Palmer, who died in Moncton yesterday after a lingering illness, was a member of Union Lodge, No. 2, Knights of Pythias, in this city. Interment is to take place at Shediac and members of the order in Moncton will look after the funeral arrangements. Union Lodge sent a floral tribute to be placed on the casket of their late brother.

The Montreal train is 3 hours late today, and the Maritime from Moncton is also 3 hours late.

QUARANTINE WAS LIFTED

West End House Released By the Board of Health This Morning, After Thorough Disinfectiou.

The quarantine which has been over the West End house, on South wharf, on account of the exposure of some of the inmates to smallpox, was lifted at noon today and the placards removed.

The inmates are now free to go where they will. A physician from the board of health examined the people in the house this morning and on his favorable report the quarantine was lifted. The house was thoroughly disinfected yesterday.

The physicians who have been visiting the lumber camps in the vicinity of Musquash have returned home; they report having found no further cases of the disease. The afflicted ones at Ameros camp are reported as improving rapidly.

OBITUARY

Capt. John Burke

The death occurred in Boston last week of Capt. John Burke, formerly a resident of this city. Capt. Burke, at the time of his death was in the East Boston ferry service.

At the time of his residence in St. John some years ago, he was mate on the steamer Cumberland of the Eastern Steamship line, which steamer afterwards renamed the Larchmont, had such a tragic ending a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Alice Hatch

The death occurred this morning at four o'clock of Mrs. Alice Hatch after a lingering illness, at her son's residence, Wilby Hatch, 75 Dorchester street.

Mrs. Hatch came to this city about 30 years ago from St. Andrews where she resided with her husband, the late Wellington Hatch, barrister-at-law. Three sons were born to them, Wilby and Harry H. of this city and Walter, of Ottawa. Mrs. Hatch's amiable disposition won for her many warm friends during the 79 years she lived. She has one sister, Mrs. Edwin Biard, of London, England, and two brothers, Stannus Jones, of Nice, France, and Douglas Jones, of London, Eng.

The funeral will be held Monday at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Stewart will conduct the funeral service and interment will be made in Fernhill.

Mrs. Ann Clark

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, of Mrs. Ann Clark, widow of John Clark, at her residence at Pleasant Point.

Mrs. Clark was very well known by the aged people, she herself having lived to the ripe old age of 90 years.

The deceased is survived by one son, who resides in Lawrence, Mass., and one daughter, who lived with her mother at Pleasant Point.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, to St. Rose's church, where the Rev. Father Collins will read the funeral service. Interment will be made in Sand Cove cemetery.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

MR. BINKS'S JOY.

When Mr. Peter Binks came down town this morning he was treading on air. This was not wholly due to the state of the sidewalks, although through their agency Mr. Binks did go up in the air and down on the ice several times.



But the moving cause of Mr. Binks's joy was the stupendous and hitherto unheard of fact that the arbitration committee of the board of trade of which Mr. Binks is a member, had got a job.

Though labor has been well employed, and industries and shipping business flourishing, the arbitration committee of the board of trade has been given over to inocuous desuetude. Nobody wanted its services. Nobody would acknowledge its existence. Year followed year, and its emaciated form yearned for profitable exercise, but in vain.

But this is an exceptional year. The stir about harbor works, assessment law, the ward system and other great enterprises has set things going, and now the board's arbitration committee has got a job.

We may well believe that the Ludlow will go on the route on Monday.

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FEARFUL CARNAGE.

COMAYAGUA, Honduras, Feb. 23—(special)—The declaration of war against Nicaragua has aroused the population to a great pitch of enthusiasm. The entire Hondurian army of four men and a boy, with three ponies and a mule, has been mobilized and set out this morning for the frontier. A great battle is expected, as a force of three Nicaraguans armed with tin whistles and a drum is entrenched at Yuscaragawa. President Bonilla said this morning that he would defy the United States and Mexico to interfere, and if they did he would blow up the Panama canal and proceed to over-run North America. The situation is critical.

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A NEEDED REFORM.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23—(Special)—In reply to a large delegation composed of intelligent electors of all shades of politics, Hon. Mr. Fisher stated today that the government would revise its policy with regard to the coinage of one, five and ten dollar gold pieces. It was pointed out to the minister that with the cost of living advancing at such a terrific rate a man who offered only a one or a five for a vote, whether he were grit or tory, would be in danger of mob violence. The minister saw the point, and all the new gold coins will be $10 pieces.

WEST SIDE DREDGING IS LIVE TOPIC AROUND CITY HALL AT PRESENT

The dredging for the new berths on the west side seems to be a very live topic just at present. There is a feeling in some quarters that Mr. Mayes should not be taken off his present contract, but should continue on at the work not yet complete and that two other dredges be sent here to get the wharf site ready as soon as possible.

It is claimed that the wharf now building will not be accessible to steamers until the channel between the Sand Point wharves and the proposed berths is dredged out, and it is felt that the dredge Beaver should finish this work before being allowed to go elsewhere.

It is likely that an effort will be made to have the W. S. Felding and another powerful dredge sent here to do the dredging for the new berths and have Mr. Mayes complete his present contracts before entering on any new work. It is understood that the Fielding would be able to work at South Rodney slip and do efficient work as well as to dredge the harbor channel.

It is pointed out that if this arrangement is carried out it would ensure all the necessary work being done in time for next season.

Engineer Shewen, government engineer, was in conference with the mayor and city engineer Peters this morning, but it could not be learned what was discussed.