MRYS IN BRIEF.

- (1). Picture .: Valloire, France, is suffering from --
 - -an overdose of water. Tremendous--
 - -- floods have been caused by the--
 - -sudden thawing of late mountain-
 - -- snowfalls. Houses and bridges have been swept--
 - --away. Inskily inhabitants had warning of the probable catastrophe--
 - -- and not a single accident, or loss of life is--
 - --reported. At--
- (2). --Birkenhead,a--
 - --new cargo and passenger meter--
 - --vessel is christened - just like that - by--
 - -- Lady Holt. She ship's name is 'Abosso', and if Little--
 - -- Willie wants to know why, I can't tell him. The 'Abosso' is a vessel of very modern design, and has accommodation for 550 passengers and crew.

(EFFECTS to ED-.)

- (3). At anchor in the Thames, the American destroyer 'Hull' looks upon London, England, and--
 - -- finds it good. The visitor is here for a stay--
 - -- of only four days, and is at present lying off Tilbury, where I visited here with George, who wanted --
 - -a chat with the sailors. "I manted-
 - -- to sheet a spiel with the cabs !" "Have it your --
 - --own way, little gentleman. But look at these--