and wife were called to week through the death sister, Mrs. Stoll.

WAGER-

that the sum of \$500 has with C. F. Jackson, all or hich will be wagered that will be re-elected.

ISIT-

ockmann, accompanied by Charles Smith and daugh-Montana, are in the city sit. Herr Klockmann will city but two days, returntomorrow. ERS-

t's meeting of the board um Gray, manager of the Charles V. Jenkins, ccounting and purchasts of the War Eagle and ines, and A. W. Dyer

Rossland will learn with death in Spokane of aged nineteen years, son silets of this city. The was pneumonia. place yesterday after-

CIALSce, trainmaster of the ndary division of the Canwas in the city yesterday. hief dispatcher of the direvived and filled by the A. E. Stevens, who has with the company at the Rossland vesterday.

wnie of Nelson, general of Kootenay-Boundary Canadian Pacific, was in rday looking into various or importance here. The has overcome d by the excessive snowfall et and traffic is moving Il sections,

of the late Mrs. Mary E. ace yesterday afternoon dence of her son-in-law, hie, corner of Kootenay vis street. The obs by a number of friends ved family. Rev. Father ed. Interment was made Heart cemetery, the pall-J. S. C. Fraser, W. J. rge W. McBride, John

SAFE-Lewer, late of Cardiff, of British North America his family at the coast by disappearing from several days. The case coast papers, but Captain up safe and sound, havbusiness trip to Quebec ed the letter outlining his

IMPRESSED-Larson, acting manager and-Kootenay mines, remountain section, where e ore body in the Victoryperty, which he believes future. In addition he the 100-foot level, being sed with the workmanlike hich mining operations are

a firm believer in the fu-

ty of the Sophie mountain

ousiness men express dis-with the Spokane Falls & se given during the closing 2 to place Rossland on nodity freight rates at he new year has not been are to be placed before traffic manager, and an ef secure the abolition of the

claimed to exist. The

de is moving in this con-

ING WELLis, now in jail at Nelson for the attempted murde ms of this city, is reported ing in health daily. n has worked wonders and has nearly managed of the done habit. When taken to Nelson he took ige twenty-two grains of At the present he takes illis himself declares that s been the greatest blessace at Nelson next month.

I. FOR STEAMSHIP.

K, Jan. 10.-The Red Star Zealand for Antwerp have sailed this morning was unable to get away ply had not been received expected to get the boat the night.

TE BURNING QUESTION.

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Mich., Jan. 10 .- The muission appointed by ury to manage the coal nd arranged to begin the chase of coal. J. L. Hudchairman of the commis ed that he would loan the he passage of an enabling slature to legalize the use the city's funds for this

THE ANTHRACITE COMMISSION THE VENEZUELAN COMMISS

Pay Rolls of the Delaware & Hudson Company Presented--Six Per Cent. of the Company's Men Are Receiving \$1000 Per Year--Child Labor Less

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 4.—The \$500; ten per cent \$300 to \$400; nine per representatives of the Delaware & Hudcent \$200 to \$300, and twenty-five per cent its side of the controversy with the anthracite mine workers to the strike ment in this form. In addition to the commission, occupied both sessions to- wage statements Mr. Culver presente were James H. Torry of Scranton, the the rent received and showing the dock-company's principal counsel in the absence of David Wilcox, the vice-presi
3.4 per cent. dent and general counsel of the company, who is ill; Charles C. Rose of Scranton, superintendent of the mining department

Mr. Torry made an address indi- same class of workers in the soft conditions in and about the company's that the bituminous men received more pay than the anthracite workers.

The witness said the company is maken the company is maken.

to be present, and General Wilson again decrease in wages is tantamount to a presided. Commissioner E. W. Parker 25 per cent increase in wages. was absent from the afternoon session ington by private business.

FIGURES PRESENTED.

When Mr. Culver took the witness of the payrolls of the company. He ex-plained at great length which figures Another were absolutely correct, but to which he could not certify, because the comwage statements furnished to the commission the percentage of men receiving certain wages. The statement shows that six per cent of the company's men be called next week. were receiving over \$1000 a year; three per cent \$900 to \$1000; six per cent \$800 for the parties before the comm cent \$500 to \$600; ten per cent \$400 to else in their absence.

persons were before the ar- a mass of other statistics showing the bitrators on behalf of the company. They number of houses the company owned

. STATEMENT DISPUTED

Mr. Culver disputed Mr. Mitchell's of the company, and Abeli Culver of statement of wages paid to anthracite New York, comptroller of the company. mine workers and those paid to the cating what the company intended to fields. This statement was handed to Superintendent Rose told of the the commission at Scranton, and showed

statistics having a bearing on the issues before the commission.

ing a determined effort to lessen child labor, and that 20 per cent reduction efore the commission.

• labor, and that 20 per cent reduction that commission.

Chairman Gray, who is ill, was unable in hours of labor each day without

This concluded Mr. Culver's examina having been called to his home in Washington by/private business.

tion, and Mr. Torry then read the laws of several states on the question of child labor. He said the coal companies would gladly join with any one in having laws enacted forbidding the employstand he first presented two large vol-umes, which contained a complete copy cite or bituminous mines under the age

Another witness testified yesterday that William H. Dettrey, the new president of district No. 7 of the Miners' pany had to gather them from sources Union, had made threatening remarks other than its own books. One of the against non-union men. The district president was present today to tell his from Alton, ten miles south of the wreck version of the story. As counsel for the little will be definitely known. A relief

The commission will insist that counsel to \$900; six per cent \$700 to \$800; thir- shall be present at its sessions or have teen per cent \$600 to \$700; twelve per their interests looked after by some one

ARREST OF TO-**BACCO SMUGGLERS**

guerny mane a search of the real state telegraph line in 1843. The both was steamship Finland, lying in the North river. Von Sternbergen, who is employed as a donkey engine man on the vessel, was found to be wrapped with tobacco, which was cleverly concealed tobacco, which was cleverly concealed under his cletters.

inspectors saw von Sternbergen leave the Finland, and noticing that he was of peculiar shape halted and searched him. The man was underclothed in tobacco, done up in bundles about a tobacco, done up in bundles about a made a good start on the second, and

The vessel was then searched by the customs officers. Inspector Hooley insisted that the elecwitches so that the electric lights could not be turned out. He alleged that the crew threatened to attack the officers, and it is stated that the fireman and way trying to turn off the lights. They spector Hooley had to draw his revolver to keep them off.

The search, however, did not result ous forms.

the men succeeded in getting back to as well fed specimens would bring good the steamship and concealing them

The officers declare that vesterday they chased a member of the crew across a street near the pier after recovering ten pounds of tobacco and

that the man got away.

The officers of the Finland say tha the vessel was searched for smuggled tobacco three times during the voyage to this port. The crew of the Finland made a raid on the dynamo room of the ship for the purpose of shutting able them, it was alleged, to work in secrecy. The chief engineer and the custom house inspectors drew their re-volvers and drove the crew back. The spectors then sought police assistance and after hunting all parts of the ship left six officers in charge.

THE PHIPPS INSTITUTE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 9.-Dr. F. Flick, president of the free hospital for poor consumptives here, an-York, formerly a partner of Andrew Carnegie, has contributed \$300,000 for this city for the treatment of consump The institution is to be known as the Henry Phipps Institue for the

While Mr. Phipps' original contribu-tion amounts to \$300,000 the endowment of deaths are attributed to love and will increase the fund to about \$1,500.000. hunger.

PROPHECY OF S. F. B. MORSE

quently made a search of the Red Star telegraph line in 1843. The book was ported.

tobacco, done up in bundles about a made a good start on the second, and foot long, seven inches wide and half Marconi has established communicaan inch thick. He was arrested and tion across the Atlantic without wires

Horse Soup, Pickled Horse Tongue, Fil-

ple sat down tonight to the most remarkable banquet that ever has been given in Berlin. The dishes consisted entirely of horse meat and were served in vari-

in the expected discovery, but von Sternbergen was taken to a nearby ty to animals issued the invitations to the dinner, which was given for the pur-Later in the day customs inspectors pose of demonstrating the nourishing observed two men near the gangway and palatable qualities of horse meat, of the Finland acting suspiciously. The men were searched and about 15 pounds to tobacco found upon them. During the attempt to place them under arrest from working the poor animals to death, the men succeeded in certains book.

The bill of fare tonight consisted of horse soup, pickled horse tongue, fillet of horse and roast horse. All of the dishes were nicely prepared and wer

evidently greatly relished. The presiding officer of the society, Privy-Councilor von Secfeld, said 30,000 horses had been eaten in Berlin last year, and he hoped for a large increase

in the future. Many prominent members of the reichstag and of the city council were present at the banquet.

WILL CONTEST WITHDRAWN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.- The announce ment was made today that the suit brought by Mrs. Virginia Heinisch, half-sister of Jacob S. Rogers, to test the validity of Mr. Rogers' will, which be-queathed his entire residuary estate, amounting to \$600,000, to the Metropolitan Musuem of Art, had been withdrawn. This, it is said, removes the last ob stacle in the way of transfer of the bequest to the trustees of the museum.

SUICIDES AND ATTEMPTS.

VIENNA, Jan. 9.—Statistics sh Vienna to continue in the lead of Eu-Study, Treatment and Prevention of ropean capitals for suicides and at for 1902. The suicides number

COMMISSION

while arrangements have not yet been made for the meeting of the Venezuelan commission some attention commission some attention has been given to the subject, and it appears that the United States government will be expected to provide accommodation for the body. It is probable that accommodations will be procured at one of the hotels here, for the state department has no available room to devote to such pur-

Signor Mayor Desplanches, the Italian ambassador here, is, by virtue of seniority, entitled to preside if the proceedings are to be in the nature of a joint meeting, and long diplomatic service is regarded as peculiarly befiting him for the important work imposed upon the commission. All four of the prospective members of the commission, pamely members of the commission, namely Signor Mayor Desplanches, the Italian ambassador: Sir Michael Herbert, the ambassador; Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador, and Count Quadt and Baron Steinburg as well as Minister Bowen, all speak English perfectly, and it is likely that this language will be the ficial communication in the commis sion's progress.

A HEAD-ON COLLISION.

Reports Differ Somewhat, but Much Damage Was Done.

occurred on the Big Four road near It is reported that nine persons are dead and thirteen injured.

NO LIVES LOST

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 9.-Information at 11:25 p. m. to the effect that no lives were lost in the wreck but many per sons are believed to have been injured The information received here is that two Big Four passengers collided head-on at full speed at 9:50 tonight near Bethelto, a village 28 miles north of St. Traffic is blocked on the road and until messengers can reach the scene from Alton, ten miles south of the wreck, train has been made up here and is in readiness should the accident prove as serious as first reported.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 9 .- Two passenger trains on the St. Louis divis-ion of the Big Four collided tonight near

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Customs officials, aided by the local police, tonight arrested Jacob von Sternbergen, charged with smuggling tobacco, and subsequently made a search of the Red Star.

The Electrical Review today publishes the diary kept by Samuel F. B. Morse during his early work on the Baltimore and Washington of the eastbound train have not requently made a search of the Red Star.

VON HOLLEBEN'S RETURN HOME.

porarily assigned as charge d'affaires at Washington. The baron, in the Washington. The baron, in the antime, will retain his position as made a good start on the second, and Marconi has established communication across the Atlantic without wires. It is difficult to realize that this diary was written less than 60 years ago."

meantime, will retain his position as consul general of Germany at Calucutta, and will be carried on the payroll in that capacity. Oddly enough the exact whereabouts of Count von Steinburg is not known at the foreign office, where it is thought he is visiting bins.

people in Saxony.

The only thing the foreign office peo e will say about Dr. von Holleben is: "He has been recalled and his leav granted upon his own initiative."

is granted upon his own initiative."

The government would never recall an ambassador in the midst of important negotiations without grave reasons, which certainly do not exist in this case. The supposition that the government is annoyed because the ambassador failed to obtain President Roosevelt's acceptance of arbitratorship of the Venezuelan dispute is wholly in

Germany reckoned in advance that the president might have weighty reasons for declining, hence her note of December 23rd contained the alternave proposition to refer the matter to

The Hague.

Still it was felt that the political factors in this case dictated the appropriativeness of first offering the president the arbitratorship.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

Newfoundland's Contribution Will Be Thirty Thousand Pounds.

TORONTO, Jan. 9.—The Telegram cable says: The blue book issued today states that Newfoundland's annual contribution towards the support of the British navy will be thirty thousand

Writing to the Times Lord Carrington commenting on the recent article in the Melbourne Age regarding colonial contributions to the imperial defence, says Laurier struck the chord of colonial sympathetic feeling when he refused early to feel in with suggestions of this tatly to fall in with suggestions of this

Letters from Mr. Loring, secretary o the imperial defence committee, in the same journal, quotes Sir Frederick Borden's definition of Canada's position with regard to the imperial defence as identical with that of the Melbourne

amine prevails in Marshall and nearby Slater today sent to this city for coal, which is scarce here.

Many families are burning their fruit trees and shade trees. Wood is selling "Yes," whereupon he was shot to death for \$8 a cord and such fuel is very scarce. and his body thrown off.

WOOD AND COAL FAMINE.

MARSHALL, Mo., Jan. 9.-A coal

STATE OF AFFAIRS IN VENEZUELA

CARACAS, Jan. 9.—The port of Tucacas was reopened yesterday by the for ces of the Venezuelan government after a fight with the revolutionists of one hour's duration. Tucacas, which is one nour's duration. Tucacas, which is about 40 miles northwest of Puerto Cabello, has been occupied for the last four months by the revolutionists. It has lately been the port where much of the goods and ammunition smuggled over from the island of Curacao have been landed.

The revolutionist force, which was

defeated last Sunday near Guatiere, has dispersed. The march of the rebels upon Caracas, via Guatiere, has been completely checked.

LA GUAIRA, Jan. 9.-The forme Venezuelan gunboat Restaurader, but which now flies the German flag, passed here at noon, going in the direction of Puerto Cabello.

The British cruiser Ariadne and the British torpedo boat destroyer Rocket arrived here today at 6 o'clock. REVOLUTIONISTS ROUTED.

CARACAS, Jan. 9.-The revolutionist succeeded in holding the English rall-road running out of Tucacas for five hours. At the end of that time the government forces occupied the line. The government is most active in pur ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 9.-A wreck has taken place near Coro and resulted in the routing of the enemy. Octave Moro, Illinois, tonight about 9:30 o'clock. Marquez and 180 men were taken prisalso secured a quantity of rebel am-munition,

FRENCH CLAIMS TO BE PAID. CARACAS, Jan. 9.—The statement hat France, owing to the failure of the of Atocha. Venezuelan government to pay the first installment of the claims due her would possibly join in blockading the coast, is that she would do so possibly arose from a discussion of the fact that the convention of 1902 between France and Venezuela, for the settlement of French

After the shooting incident the people ed from the date upon which the French minister to Venezuela presents his credentials at Caracas.

It can be said with authority that the Moro, Illinois, and one mile east of Bethelto. They met head-on. Both engines are lying on their sides. One man is known to be badly hurt. The trains were the second section of the train which left here late going west and the train east-bound, which was due at 4:20 o'clock this morning. French colony here has asked the home would receive when presented the same treatment as is incurred in the claims of the allies, by virtue of the most fav-ored nation clause in the treaty be-tween France and Venezuela.

Trading in Wives and Children Is Dangerous Thing.

ployed as a donkey engine man on the vessel, was found to be wrapped with tobacco, which was cleverly concealed under his clothing.

Several months ago the customs inspectors, it is alleged, unearthed a plot to bring Sumatra tobacco from Antwerp into this country without the payment of duty. Two seizures of considerable portions resulted, one being made on a Red Star line steamship and the other in Hoboken. Tonight several inspectors saw von Sternbergen leave

Rélieved of Washington Ambassador Ship at His Own Request.

Rélieved of Washington Ambassador Von BERLIN, Jan. 9.—Ambassador von Holleben was not recalled from Washington, but learning that his government was not wholly satisfied with his work and feeling ill and depressed, he cabled for a long leave of absence, which was immediately granted. He will come when this project will be realized."

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Baron Spreck von Steinburg is tem-COBURG, Jan. 9.-Walter Reynolds

COLBOURG, Jan. 9.-The Reynolds brothers, who a short time ago effected the trade of a gold watch owned by one for the wife of the other, found consummated by marriage, were illegal. Walter Reynolds, who owned the watch, and his sister-in-law and erstwhile wife, were each sentenced to four months in the county jail for bigamy, while George Reynolds, the husband was sentenced to three months for in citing to bigamy, with the proviso at the end of his wife's sentence he should take her back.

The light sentences are due to the fact that the prisoners acted in ignorance. The watch went to pay the law costs.

BUBONIC PLAGUE VICTIMS.

LOS ANGELES Cal. Jan. 9.-John L. Bradbury, owner of mines located near Mazatlan, Mexico, has received a telegram from Jose Rico asking pecuniary aid for the victims of the bubonic plague in the name of the Mazatlan

STORY OF STRICKEN CITY. MAZATIAN, Mexico, Jan. 9.—Thirty seven people are in the lazaretos an six deaths have occurred today, one en tire family having died of the plague. Many people have left the city and cone to live on the islands nearby. It has been decided to disinfect the entir

The charity committee will pay for the houses that have to be burned and for all clothing destroyed.

A man attacked by the plague was found on his way to El Castilo. He

from being taken to a lazareto, put him in bed at home. His father and she herself were in consequence attacked by the plague and died within a few hours. lazareto, but he died on the way.

TRAIN ROBBERS ARRESTED.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Jan. 9.—Four-men, alleged to have been members of the gang which held up a Burlington train six months ago at Marcus, Illi-nois, have been arrested. One of the prisoners says a member of the gang was wounded because of a misunderstanding in signals. After the safe had been blown open the robbers unhitched the engine and put the wounded man on board. One of the party said to

AN ATTEMPTED ASSASINATI

A Man, Evidently Insane, Shoots Into the Royal Procession Returning From Church---Report That King Alfonso Was Intended Victim Untrue

to assassinate King Alfonso is confirmed. It appears the attack on his ma-jesty was not successful. The dis-patches from Madrid on the subject have been mutilated.

THE ACCOUNT FROM MADRID.

MADRID, Jan. 10.—An attempt to as-assinate King Alfonso was made this immediately overpowered the would-be

that the second carriage of the royal overpowered him, procession, at which the shot was fired, was occupied by the Duke of Sotomay-

KING GIVEN AN OVATION.

of the Spanish court to attend divine to President Roosevelt, King Edward, service every Saturday at the Church the emperor of Germany, and the preof Atocha. This church, however, is sident of the high court of justice at now being rebuilt and the king now Mexico, and also receipts for a number goes to the church of Buen Suceso. On of registered letters and a visiting card possibly join in blockading the coast, is these occasions the court proceeds in of the mayor of Madrid. Incorrect. France will not at present state, preceded and followed by mountparticipate in the blockade. The rumor ed detachments of the royal bodyguard, by a magistrate, to whom he repeated that she would do so possibly arose and accompanied by carriages contain-

After the shooting incident the people claims incurred prior to May 23, 1899, gathered along the route from the stipulated the payment of \$200,000 church to the palace and gave the king church to the palace and gave the king ing this statement, did not appear exwithin one year. As a matter of fact an ovation as the royal carriage prothis period of one year is to be reckondence.

The prefect of Madrid, who was in

the last carriage, left the procession and gave orders for Feito to be taken old and was born at Posadas, province of Oviedo. He returned to Spain from Mexico last June. He was slightly cut in the head from the police sergeant's

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The report from that Rubino, the man who fired three shots at the king of the Belgians in Brussels on November 15th and who is now awaiting trial, be interrogated with a view to obtaining further light regarding Feito's attempt

EVIDENTLY INSANE.

MADRID, Jan. 10 .- As King Alfonso, Dowager Queen Christina and the court were returning from church this evening a man, who afterwards gave his name evening. While his majesty was returning from church a man fired a revolver at the second carriage of the royal procession in which the king was riding. The bullet missed the king and out of the carriage window, but he was out of the carriage window, but he was out of the carriage window, but he was no one was injured. The civil guard out of the carriage window, but he was immediately dragged back into his seat assassin, who gave the name of Jose by the queen mother, who was seated collade. beside him in the carriage. The escort of civil guards immediately set them-MADRID, Jan. 10.-It now appears selves upon the would-be assassin and

Fieto was taken to the police station, where he said he did not intend to kill the king but the grand chamberlain, the Duke of Sotomayor, at whose carriage he had aimed. He was searched and in his pockets were found unmailed let-MADRID, Jan. 10 .- It is the custom ters marked "registered," and addressed

> his statements as to the object of his shooting. He insisted that he was not an anarchist, and said that his wife, a French woman, had confined him in a lunatic asylum. The prisoner, in makcited, but there are indications that he is insane.

The minister of the interior has telegraphed to the prefect of the provinces that an attempt was directed against the grand chamberlain and not the king. A police sergeant, who was the first to seize Fieto, made the following state-

in the head from the police sergeant's sword. Questioned as to what reasons he had for wishing to kill the grand chamberlain the prisoner said the Duke of Solomayor had offered him a position at the palace but had failed to fulfil his promise.

TO INTERROGATE RUBINO.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The correspondent at Brussels of the Matin telegraphs that the police of Madrid have wired to the authorities in Brussels a request Fieto, who was standing in front of me, raised a pistol and fired at the second

QUEER WAY OF HIDING MONEY

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 10.— ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 10.—International reciprocity between Canada and gineer, who died two months ago leavithe United States was the theme of a sineer, who died two months ago leaving a personal estate estimated at \$3000, had hidden away unknown to his wife more than \$25,000, which represented the accumulation of years. A few days ago, while the widow was looking for a will which she believed her husband had made, she found a large number. The committee was strongly in favor. The committee was strongly in favor. of \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills stuffed in small rolls in crevices of the furniture, in the cushions of chairs and stitched into under garments worn by the dead man. She also found bank books showing deposits for \$10,000.

FIRE CARELESSLY STARTED.

LONDON, Ont. Jan. 9.-A fire which destroyed the finished tin departmen of the McClarr foundry. The buildin or the McCarr foundry. The building was a large one and located only one block from the Central fire station. The fire started when a young man cardessly threw a lighted match into a can of benzine, which exploded. The flames spread so they were powerless to do anything but attempt to confine the flames to the building in which they originated. Af-

building in which they originated. After a hard fight they succeeded in getting it under control.

One man was injured. He broke his leg by jumping from the second story window. The building was completely gutted. The loss is placed at a hundred thousand dollars, covered by insurance.

CLOSING DURBAR FESTIVITIES

A Brilliant Reception by Lord Curzon brilliant reception, closing the Durbar festivities, was given here this evening by the viceroy, Lord Curzon of Keddles

time in bidding farewell to the guests of the evening.

Lord Curzon conveyed his official thanks to all persons who were con-cerned in the Durbar.

Venezuelan mails will be carried by the Porto Rico line to San Juan, Po

INTERNATIONAL

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 10 .- Internapresenting the National Reciprocity

The committee was strongly in favor of reciprocity, and some of its men bers went so far as to advocate absolute

free trade between the countries.

Mr. Sifton said that when the recip rocity commission went away disappointed from Washington five years ago it was a sad blow to the reciprocity sentiment in Canada. He thought that an educational campaign must first be sentiment would be aroused to a point where the matter could be urged to a

CASTRO'S REPLY SATISFACTORY.

It Is Regarded as Being a Long Step in Direction of Settlement. LONDON. Jan. 9.-Castro's reply to the powers accepting the hrbitration conditions, was delivered to the foreign office this afternoon by the secretary

of the United States embassy. The reply is much more satisfactory than expected, and practically submits to the allies' conditions of the arbitration proposal.

acceptance of the arbitration conditions of the allied powers was received today at the foreign office here, where it is regarded as being a long step toward a settlement of the questions in dispute. The foreign office is strengthened in the hope that most of the points will be arranged amicably during the prelimin-ary discussion at Washington before reaching The Hague.

DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED.

NICE, Jan. 9.—The sentence of death passed upon Henri Vidal on November 5, 1902, has been commuted to penal ser-

Henri Vidal confessed at Nice to the extraordinarily wanton murder of two women and to attempts to assassinate various others. It was for these murders that he was sentenced to death, but he is believed to have been the autinuance of the Venezuelan blockade the steamer of the Red D line will not run to Caracas.

CHAMBERLAIN OVERWORKED.

Rico, and thence by a small vessel of the same line to Curacoa, from which point they will be taken to Venezuela day today. He is being overworked ports by United States war vessels.