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WRECK AND CAPTURE!

GERMAN STEAMER ON THE ROCKS OFF ENGLISH COAST.

The Vessel Goes to Pieces, But All Her Passengers Were Saved—British Man-of-War Takes a German Steamer as a Prize.

Special to EVENING HERALD. London, Dec. 30.—A large German mail steamer, the Pelotas, bound for Rotterdam from Santos, Brazil, went on the rocks last night during a terrific gale in East Bay, about a quarter of a mile off Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent.

Tugs and life saving crew went to the assistance of the vessel and succeeded in getting all the passengers and crew safely ashore. The steamer's hull is badly broken and the heavy seas will in all probability beat her to pieces.

A British Capture. Special to EVENING HERALD. London, Dec. 30.—The German steamer Haudersah, one of the fleet of the East African Line, has been captured by a British man-of-war and taken to Durban as a prize.

Troops Sail. Special to EVENING HERALD. Havana, Dec. 30.—The Fifteenth Infantry sail for home to-day. They will be distributed between Governor's Island and Pinar del Rio.

Another "Pease" Sold. The popular Pease piano, the agency for which in Shenandoah is retained by M. O'Neill, has found another place in the household of Daniel Bradley, the East Centre street butcher. The instrument is beautiful in design, sweet in tone and of the colonial style. Through the agency of Mr. O'Neill the name "Pease" has become a household word in Shenandoah.

Music and Song at Pooler's. All who wish to spend a pleasant evening should not fail to visit Pooler's concert saloon, where you can hear Y. Thomas Evans, the silver toned tenor vocalist and Prof. John A. Hoyt, pianist and vocalist. Also John A. Newman, violinist. Mr. John Pooler will sing some of his old comic songs which never fail to please. There will be an entire change of program each night. Every-body welcome.

Social Gathering. The Luther League of the German Lutheran church held a social gathering at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hess, on Locust Mountain, last evening. All kinds of games were indulged in and vocal and instrumental music was rendered. At a late hour the guests were invited to the dining room, where they partook of a sumptuous repast, after which they left for their homes, being well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

This is Overcast Weather. Keep warm at a big reduction. You can't do better anywhere than at Harry Levi's, 38 North Main street. 12-29-1f

New Calendars. The Columbia Brewing Company of town has issued calendars for 1900 which are of beautiful design and rich in colors. The design on each is a bunch of roses, a perfect reproduction of nature except the color.

T. T. Williams, the insurance agent, has issued a calendar which is excellently adapted for offices as well as household use.

New Year gifts are almost as popular as Christmas gifts. It's the proper time to return the unexpected Christmas token, or remember those you unintentionally overlooked. If you want the right article at the right price you can get it at Brumms. 1f

The Coldest Day. Today was the coldest experience here so far this season. At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometers in town showed the temperature to be 2 degrees above zero. At the same hour it was 4 degrees below at the Lost Creek dam, and 6 above at 11:30 a. m.

Attractions at Wyatt's. M. G. Baker, of Mahanoy City, and John C. R., better known as "Johnny Smoker," the base ball player, will be the vocalists at J. Wyatt's restaurant to-night and New Year's Day. 12-30-2f

Child Seriously Burned. John Brooks, the two year-old son of William Brooks, of Buck Mountain, was seriously burned yesterday while playing with fire. The child had been left alone for a short time and amused himself at the stove by burning a piece of paper. His dress became ignited and his screams brought a little girl to his aid.

A Special Concert. By the Beethoven quartette, of Scranton, at Morris' Bjuon on New Year's Day. Solos, duets, trios and quartettes during the day and evening. To enjoy a leisure hour, drop in. 12-30-2f

Officers Elected. An election of officers held by the Ushers' Association last night resulted as follows: President, W. E. Powell; Vice President, H. Robertson; Treasurer, W. G. Duster; Secretary, J. W. Reese; Chaplain, George James; Trustees, M. Hessler and Edward Danks.

A Good Dining Room Girl Wanted. Call at Bickert's safe. 12-29-2f

Tendered a Social. A social was held last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Evans, on West Cherry street, in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. William Babore, of Trenton, N. J. The Shenandoah Choral Union was in attendance. Vocal and instrumental music and games formed the pastimes of the evening, and refreshments were served.

Store Room for Rent. April 1st, 1900, now occupied by Frank Schmidt, 116 North Main street. Apply at store. 12-29-1f

Will Locate Here. Matthew R. Stein, son of Mine Inspector Stein, of town, has sold his drug store at Myersville and will embark in the same business here as soon as he can secure a suitable location.

Has or Contralto Solo, a new song entitled, "Davy Jones," and other new music at Brumms. 12-29-1f

THE BOER, HIS LIFE AND GOVERNMENT!

Impressions of Them as Received and Related by a Resident of the Transvaal Now Visiting This Town.

CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO THE WAR!

Since learning of the arrival of Mr. Robert Jackson from Johannesburg, South Africa, many residents of town have expressed a desire of learning his personal impressions of the Boers, the condition of their government, the relations of the Boers to the Uitlanders, and the circumstances leading up to the existing war between Great Britain and the Transvaal. Mr. Jackson was seen yesterday at the home of his father-in-law, Mine Inspector William Stein, on West Oak street. He is a gentleman of retiring disposition, but of marked intelligence and displays a thorough knowledge of the commercial and political status of the South African Republic. His home of adoption is in Johannesburg, where he has been engaged as an auctioneer of live stock and vehicles for several years. He was born in Cradock, Cape Colony. As a resident of Johannesburg he is known as one of that part of the populace called Uitlanders. The term "Uitlander" interpreted means "foreigner," or "outlander." "Uit," or "Oyt," in Boer is always "ate" and the correct pronunciation of the term "Oyt-lon-ter."

"The South African Republic," said Mr. Jackson to the HERALD reporter, "is made up principally of the Boers. Of course, of late years, there has been a great influx of all nationalities, principally English speaking people, into the country, creating a very mixed population. The principal farmers in Cape Colony, in the Orange Free State and in the South African Republic are the Boers, or Dutchmen, as we call them. They regard themselves principally as farmers. In the present generation, however, there are many of the farmers' sons who have taken advantage of the improved facilities for education and they have become some of our brightest lights. They have proved intelligent and apt pupils and have taken up branches in various professions, such as law, medicine, civil engineering, etc., and many have proved themselves remarkably smart. This has been within the past twenty-five years. But, as a whole, the Boers are not progressive. They prefer an easy going method of existence and appear to be perfectly satisfied if they can produce enough to support themselves and their families. They are a very hospitable people and visitors to their farms are almost always received cordially. Of course, you will occasionally meet with men of other disposition, as you will in all parts of the world, but as a whole, they are generous and hospitable. In a social sense they are of a very retiring and modest nature. Our business men meet them frequently and have very pleasant chats, but social calls are seldom, if ever, exchanged. The Boer will drive in from his farm to the city, hitch his team to a post in front of a public house, and then proceed to purchase the goods he desires. He generally carries a list of what he wants which he has prepared before leaving home. While the goods are being put up he will seat himself in the store, fill his pipe and converse freely and cheerfully on current topics. When his order is filled he places the contents of his wagon and start back for the farm. That is about all we see of the Boer.

"The people are rather inclined to idleness than industry, but they consider themselves hardworking people. To people who come from a country characterized by energy and progress this claim appears a farce. Of late years, however, the Boers have been taking more interest in education than they had in the preceding years, and they are making great strides in that direction. The government of the Boers is in peculiar contrast to the exigencies of the country. It is a despotic government, unequal to the requirements created by the great influx of a varied population. In other words there has not been a corresponding advance in the system of the government with the great increase of population and the great steady development and progress of the Republic. This is not the fault of the Boers, but their misfortune. The influx of residents has been too sudden and great for them. Their form of government is primitive and their officials lack the training and capacity to cope with the demands of a public. Doubtless, so far as their own limited sphere is concerned, but their form of government affords neither justice or equity to those who have developed the country and raised it from bankruptcy to affluence.

"As to the causes leading up to the existing war between the Boers and England, my personal impression is that the trouble is due to a dispute as to the right of franchise. Take, for instance, Johannesburg, my home. About three-fourths, or seventy-five per cent of the revenues of the South African Republic are paid by the Uitlanders of that city. Notwithstanding this the Boer government has often refused municipal rights to them. Johannesburg is still regulated as when it was a rough mining camp—that is, as it was ten years ago. There are many instances I can quote to show the existing evils of the government as it is the Uitlander. At first a residence of one year was required to entitle the Uitlander to become a burgher (citizen). Then it was increased to two years, again to three, still again to four and again to five years, until recently a residence of fourteen years was required before the Uitlander could become a burgher. "Take a local form of government which is called the Sanitary Board. The Uitlander is given but slight representation upon it. The Boers are always the predominant members and should any measure pass which the government is not likely to countenance, the presiding officer (the Burghermaster, as he is called) has the veto power, and exercises it. The Burghermaster is also a Boer. "Take schools of the city. They receive government aid and are open to the children of all residents and both the Boer and English languages are taught in them, but Boer teaching predominates. If English schools are desired they must be private ones, which is called the Sanitary Board. The Uitlander is given but slight representation upon it. The Boers are always the predominant members and should any measure pass which the government is not likely to countenance, the presiding officer (the Burghermaster, as he is called) has the veto power, and exercises it. The Burghermaster is also a Boer. "Take schools of the city. They receive government aid and are open to the children of all residents and both the Boer and English languages are taught in them, but Boer teaching predominates. If English schools are desired they must be private ones, which is called the Sanitary Board. The Uitlander is given but slight representation upon it. The Boers are always the predominant members and should any measure pass which the government is not likely to countenance, the presiding officer (the Burghermaster, as he is called) has the veto power, and exercises it. The Burghermaster is also a Boer.

"The Uitlanders, having opened and developed the resources of the country, and being principal taxpayers, ask for equal rights and representation in the affairs of the government, and in the disbursement of the revenues. Petitions for equal rights have been sent to the Volksraad (pronounced vuk-rah-d) which means the House of Congress, praying for these concessions, but the Uitlanders have never received any redress. To add insult to the disappointment they were laughed at by the Volksraad. "At no time during my residence in the South African Republic have I received the impression that the Uitlanders were anxious to have England rule over the Transvaal. They are quite satisfied with the existing government so long as it is liberal and fair to those who bear the burden of the taxation, for the Uitlanders have been instrumental in developing the country and have brought it out of a state of bankruptcy."

THE RATE OF WAGES.

Six Per Cent. Above the Basis for the Last Half of December. The rate of wages to be paid by the P. & R. C. & I. Co. for the last half of December, 1899, and first half of January, 1900, is six (6) per cent. above the \$2.30 basis. This is the highest point the basis has reached within the past two years and a half.

Red Rimmel, natural wool, camel's hair, fleece lined underwear, men's and children's, at your own price. Harry Levi's, next door to M. C. Watson's. 12-29-1f

A Pissaging Entertainment. The concert exercise in the Calvary Baptist church last night was a source of much pleasure to a large audience. There was a distribution of candy upon the close of the entertainment and Rev. R. R. Albin, the pastor, received a substantial purse from the congregation. Mr. John Mann, who has been superintendent of the Sunday school for the past eleven years, was presented with a handsome rocking chair.

Treatment Improved. The condition of Grant Trotman, who was injured at the Cambridge colliery yesterday, is much improved to-day and it is believed he will recover. No fracture of the skull has been found. The severest injury is that sustained in the neck, the muscles having been badly sprained.

Cooper Won the Match. Fen Cooper, the champion wing shot of Schuylkill county, defeated Miss Huntzinger, of New Jersey, known all over the country as "The Little Hawk Eye" in a shooting match at the Mahanoy City park yesterday. The contestants shot at 25 birds each. Cooper succeeded in killing 21 out of the 25, while Miss Huntzinger killed but 18. Cooper has accepted the challenge for a return match for \$25 a side on New Year's Day.

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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Short Meeting Held Last Night—Business of Routine Order.

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was held last night, in the Council chamber. Messrs. Spalding, Malone and Holman, Secretary Curtin and Health Officer Conry were in attendance. The session was a brief one.

The necrology committee reported 17 deaths and a still birth in the borough for the month ending on the 29th inst. Three-fourths of the deceased were children. Two of the deaths reported were due to mine accidents. None of the deaths were due to contagious diseases.

The secretary reported having issued 23 burial permits, 25 local and 4 non-residents the latter being 2 from Win. Penn and 1 from Lost Creek. All the interments were made in town cemeteries. Three scavenger permits were issued, they having been taken up by George F. Lottel.

The secretary also reported having paid Borough Treasurer Mullaly \$31.50, representing receipts for permits and scavenger's yearly license.

Concerning the Thomas Coal Company's share toward the cost of cleaning the First ward creek, the secretary reported that he forwarded a bill for the proportionate amount (\$441.00) with a letter and received answer that the company was willing to pay \$200 as its share. The letter was turned over to Solicitor Burke.

That hearing this report the Board instructed the secretary to notify Solicitor Burke to proceed and collect the claim made by the Board.

The Epidemic Committee reported that during the month there was one case of scarlet fever and one case of diphtheria, without any fatality. Health Officer Conry reported having abated 23 cases of nuisance reported to him.

Health Officer Conry also made a report on the hog nuisance. He stated that many owners of hogs had made away with them and he expected to have a complete compliance of the Board's order in the near future.

THEATRICAL. "SHADO, DETECTIVE" TO-NIGHT. The Irene Myers Company gave another excellent production of "The Burglar" before a large audience at Ferguson's theatre last evening and Little Irene gave an effective impersonation of Editha. Walter Wilson was strong as Bill Lewis, the burglar, and the support given by the company was commendable. The engagement will close to-night with the production of "The Shadow Detective," a play abounding in thrilling situations.

"THE HIGHWAYMAN." DeKoven and Smith's wonderfully successful comic opera "The Highwayman," will be presented in this city next Wednesday evening, January 3rd. Its run of seventeen weeks at the Broadway theatre, New York, followed by a triumphant tour of the United States and Canada, assures our music loving public of a treat in store. Arthur Desjon is still singing Captain Scarlett and is supported by a big cast and a large and remarkably strong singing chorus. The original and complete stage production will be used here, including the old English stage coach.

"CHATTANOOGA." "Chattanooga," Lincoln J. Carter's thrilling and romantic war play, will be produced Saturday, January 6th, afternoon and evening, at Ferguson's theatre. A startling scene of the play is the running away of an engine and tender from the audience at the rate of 60 miles an hour. The cavalry charge is produced in such a realistic manner as to take the auditor to the battlefield in real life. The matinee prices will be 15, 25, and 35 cents. Night prices, 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents. Reserved seats at Kirlin's.

To Cure LaGrippe in Two Days. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

The Hessene Hall. The twenty-sixth annual ball of the Rescue Hook & Ladder Company of town, to be held at Robbins' opera house on New Year's night, January 1st, 1900, is awaited with great interest by pleasure seekers. A first class orchestra has been engaged for the occasion and delegations from the fire companies of several towns of the county will be present. The committee is sparing no pains in arranging to give the patrons a royal time.

Fine meals at Bausen's. Choice cuts of beef, lamb, veal and pork, pickled pigs feet, tripe, tongue. Full line of smoked meats. Eggs and butter.

Big Vandeville Attraction. Beginning Saturday night the following vaudeville attractions will be offered at Schooner & Stern's cafe: Hayes and Connelly, champion singers, buck and wing dancers. Lately at Keith's theatre, Philadelphia. John Collins, baritone vocalist, of Touy Pastor's theatre, New York. These are the best attractions yet offered in town. 12-29-2f

Letters Granted. Letters testamentary were granted to Tillie J. Marsdon on the estate of Ruth A. Beyerly, late of Pottsville, deceased.

Letters of administration were granted to D. H. Lewellyn on the estate of Rees Llewellyn, late of Shenandoah, deceased.

"I had a running, itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's Ointment took away the burning and itching instantly, and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Leshart, Bowling Green, O.

Advertised Letters. Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. Harriet Brown, Frank Kaufman, Edw. Drew, Geo. M. Betz, Joseph A. Schneider, K. Badburg, G. L. Williams and Dr. R. Standburg Sutton. D. W. BEDEA, P. M.

STRAWBERRY AND VANILLA ICE CREAM, ORANGE WATER ICE. Made daily at Scheider's bakery, 27 East Centre street. Pure and delicious. 12-1-1f

Watch Night Services. Watch night services will be observed to-morrow night in the Bethany United Evangelical church. The services will begin at 8 o'clock. A sermon will be preached by Rev. J. R. Hunny, suitable to the occasion. Subject, "Rehearsal of Our Past Lives." All are welcome to be present.

FREE LUNCHEONS TO-NIGHT. BICKERT'S. Chicken soup, free, to-night. HERSTE'S. Sour kraut, pork and mashed potatoes to-night.

New Year's Day we will serve an elegant turkey lunch. We don't ask you to call at a certain hour but come when it is convenient. We will serve lunch all day. CHAS. BADERWICZ'S.

Mock turtle soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

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