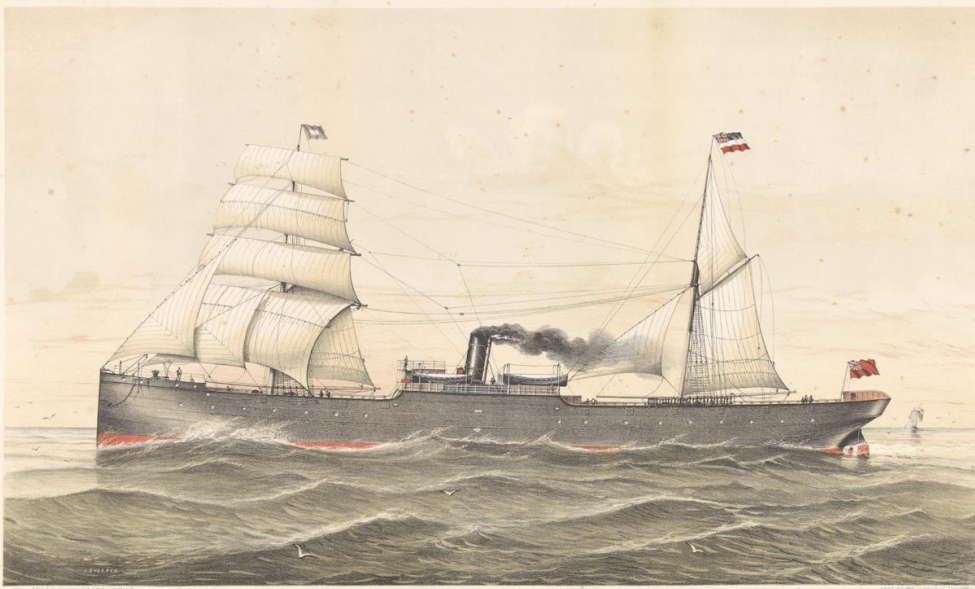
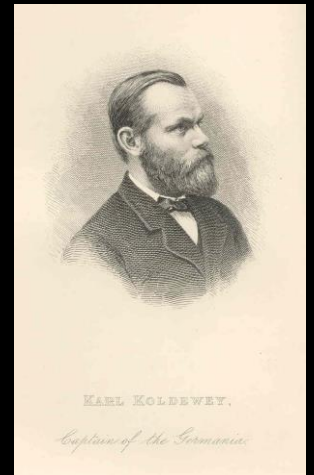




SS Germania



SS "GERMANIA"
Of the International Line, trading between Trieste and New York.
WARD & HOLZAPFEL, OWNERS, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE

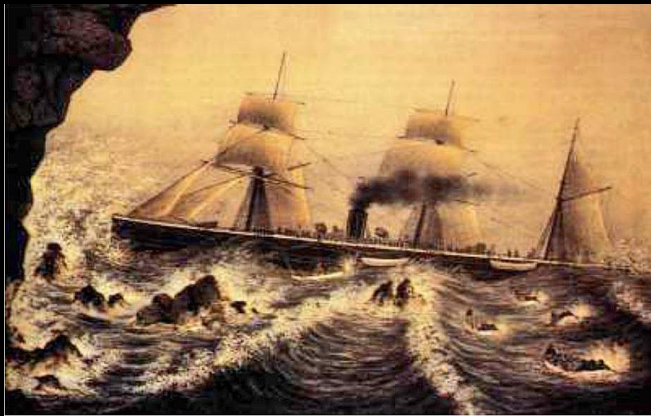


The German vessel, *SS Germania*, a 2123 tonne gross steamer, belonging to the Hamburg American Line (HAPAG) left New York on 3rd August 1869, carrying 270 passengers and 120 crew. It also carried a huge cargo of coins and bars of silver.





On 7th August, in dense fog conditions it struck a reef near the rock of Seal's Cove. It is interesting to note that the steamer *Cleopatra* was also lost at the same time in the same area. In both cases, there was no loss of life. The salvaged mail, cargo and a part of the crew returned to Europe on the *SS Cimbria*.



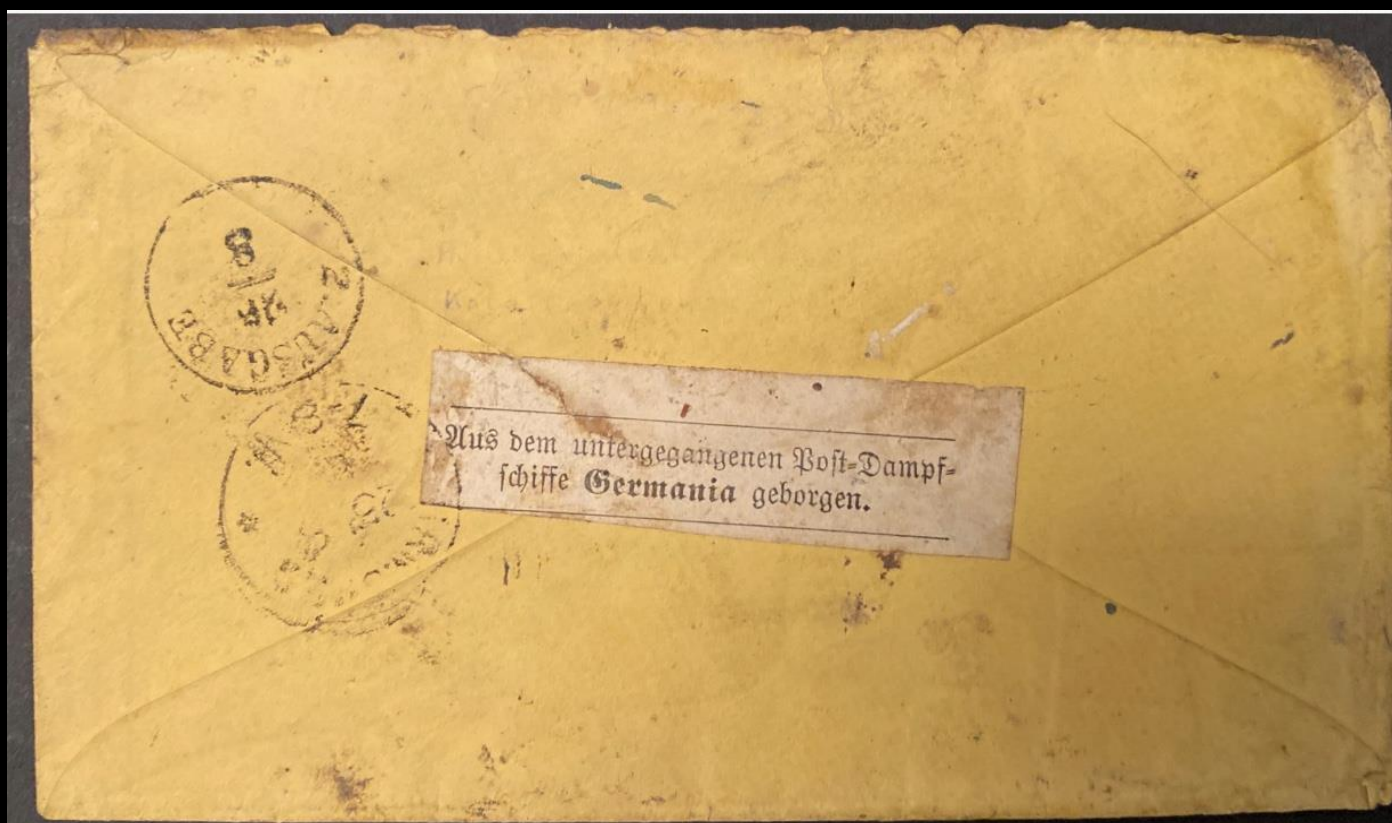
It was the Hamburg American Line which introduced a sandwich with meat in between to its passengers, which was the inspiration for creating hamburgers; an unknown food in the US at the time.



The savoury Hamburger was created on the SS Germania



Only 5 covers from this wreck are known today. The cover below is one of these.



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