WRECK OF A GERMAN EMIGRANT SHIP LOSS OF 50 LIVES

The Deutschland, a German Emigrant vessel, proceeding from Bremen to New York, was wrecked during a heavy gale, on the Kentish Knock (a sandbank) near the entrance to the Thames, on Sunday evening. The sea broke over the ship all night, and snow fell thickly, and when daylight came on Monday morning the captain provided nearly (all) on board with life-belts, and ordered the boats to be lowered. The first, with three of the crew, capsized, but the men righted her and got in again; the boat, however was drifted away from the ship, and ran ashore on Tuesday morning at Sheerness, where two of the men were found to be dead. The third supposed that he was the only survivor, but about the same time that he reached land the Liverpool, a tug, arrived at Harwich with a number of the crew and passengers. About fifty out of the 150 to 200 passengers, and 130 crew, however, are reported to be missing. Mr. Harvey, a pilot, of Ryde, and Mr. Brading (steward), of the Masonic Hall, Ryde, are amongst the saved.

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