

thalers. After we had obtained the tickets, we went on, at 11:30 o'clock in the evening. When daylight dawned on the 26th of July, we were in Koenigsberg. Then, further on, alongside of the railroad tracks, we met very good grain, rye already cut, good wheat, oats and barley still quite green. The weather is rainy and quite cool. At 9 o'clock in the morning we passed through the much praised low country, past Elbing, over the Vistula, then again over the Minna, then farther on, at Dirschau, again over the Vistula. This part of the country is hilly, on the left side of the tracts some -----?, virgin forest, whereas at Elbing there was flat, level land, the ditches dividing the land into hides, were full of water. At two o'clock in the afternoon we passed Stargard (Staargart). Until on the same day, the 26th of July, shortly before sunset, we arrived in Schneidemuehl, a splendid town. The sun set somewhat to the west before us. This part of the country has much upland with nurseries. The grain is poor and ripe. At eleven o'clock in the evening we passed the small town of Kreuz. When daylight came, we were not far from Berlin. At nine o'clock in the morning, on the 27th of July, we arrived in Berlin. Here we stopped until the afternoon, went into the city, got light and sweet pale ale (Weiszbier) and rye bread. Here, for the first time, I saw good horses of medium size, no good horses were met thus far, before this. Berlin is a splendid city. At 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon we went on. We did not have to change cars. We crossed the Oder twice, where many boats of the Berlinians went. Here is a beautiful landscape and beautiful virgin forest. From Koenigsberg we had a train with 60 cars, we 14, the rest with animals fattened for slaughter, and had two locomotives. We find ourselves several miles beyond Berlin, the fields are fenced in, a large herd of black spotted cattle is grazing, beautiful prairie, here it is the hay making season. I had lain down to sleep, suddenly the call was heard: get out. We had lost the screws of the very car in which we were sitting. We were brought into the car of the conductor. This was 28 miles this side of Hamburg. This part of the country is beautiful, the pastures fenced in, and supplied with pumps on the pastures. It seems to be shallow, since water is visible in some pits, a luxuriant green prairie, some woodland. Rabo, a small town 16 miles this side of Hamburg with beautiful orchards and beautiful spruce forests. There is no more beautiful part of the country in Prussia, as from Berlin to Hamburg. Here it is harvest time. Everything is good here, wheat, oats, rye, horses, cows, sheep. Here it is better than at Elbing, more beautiful than in Paulsheim; here I like it very much. The building style is of burnt bricks. On Saturday, the 27th of July, we did a little sightseeing in the city. The city stands on the water, the boats go around the houses. After we had waited here for a few days, we went to the seaport on Wednesday morning, the 31st of July. I hired a wagon with one horse for us, paid 1 thaler, 6 groschen up to the seaport, where then, at 9 o'clock in the morning, we were brought 8 miles into the sea on a small steamer, to the large ship, called Cimbria. Then we started out so quietly that we did not notice it at all, only if we kept some object on shore in view, we noticed that we were nevertheless going. Toward evening we got a good storm right away, also got badly seasick right away. On the 3rd of August the weather was quiet, and we ran into the seaport of LeHavre, went on land, looked at the city, the illness was relieved. I measured our ship, 140 paces long. Much meat and coal was taken on board here yet. Then, at 12 o'clock at night we went on again, into the great ocean. Then in the morning, the 4th of August, we were still able to see the shore of France for awhile yet, I also already saw large fishes beside the ship. Then toward evening, to the right of the ship we saw some land, which is