

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT

Unique ID: MAS-D100146

Object type certainty: Probably

Workflow status: Published

Find consists of an ornate metal piece, bearing a flyer de lys type of design above a solid bar, presumably used for mounting. No dimensions were given, though it is suggested to be made from lead and H shaped, the finder described it as "part of a fireguard from the ship room". This material type would seem unsuitable for such a purpose, therefore it is still unclear what the purpose of this object is, although it is generally accepted that it is a decorative object of some sort.

Notes:

All of these items were recovered from the wreck of SS *Pomerania*, a German ocean liner steamer built in 1873 by J. Caird & Co., in Greenock. This vessel was one of many owned by the Hamburg Amerikanische Packetfahrt Actien Gesellschaft (HAPAG); a transatlantic shipping enterprise established in Hamburg in 1847 that transported hundreds of thousands of emigrants from Germany, Scandinavia, and eastern Europe to the United States, Canada, Latin America, and other destinations around the world. The ship sank in 1878, 5 miles SE of Folkestone whilst carrying 109 passengers and 111 crew en route from New York to Cherbourg and Hamburg, last from Plymouth, following a collision with Welsh barque Moel Eilian and resulting in the loss of 55 lives. NRHE and Kent HER reference numbers cited in this record refer to the wreck of SS *Pomerania*.

This item was found with a spoon/fork handle ([MAS-D100174](#)), fragments of a clock ([MAS-D100173](#)) and crockery fragments ([MAS-D100138](#)).

Class: Decorative Piece

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: With finder

Wreck details

Droit number: 320/17

Chronology

Broad period: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Subperiod from: Middle

Period from: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Subperiod to: Late

Period to: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Date to: Exactly AD 1878

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 26th March 2018

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: P T

Other reference numbers

NRHE monument number: 883110

Other reference: Kent HER Number: TR 33 SW 26

Droit ID: 320/17

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead

Completeness: Uncertain

Spatial metadata

County or Unitary authority: [Kent](#) (County)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TR2329

Four figure Latitude: 51.01711498

Four figure longitude: 1.17805502

1:25K map: TR2329

1:10K map: TR22NW

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Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Diving

Current location: With finder