

# The New Peter von Amiens (1849)

## Abstract

Caricature of the founding of *Kreuzzeitung*, the mouthpiece of the Prussian Conservative Party. The drawing shows party leaders Ernst Ludwig von Gerlach (middle), Friedrich Julius Stahl (right), and [Otto von Bismarck](#) (left). Gerlach is portrayed as Peter von Amiens (1050–1115), one of the most prominent leaders of the First Crusade. The subject of the caricature is the “crusade” of monarchist conservatives [against the liberal-democratic goals of the revolution](#).

The verse underneath the image reads as follows: “Saint Stahl holds the donkey’s bridle, Saint Gerlach leads the troops,/ At his side stands loyally Mr. Bismarck, the arch-roogue, in armor and scales./ And the lance holders who barely managed to mount their old nags,/ They are Mr. Wagner-Don Quixote and Sancho Pansa-Gödschen.” Drawing by Wilhelm Scholz (1824–1893), published in *Kladderadatsch*, 1849.

## Source



Source: “Der neue Peter von Amiens und die Kreuzfahrer,” *Kladderadatsch*, no. 45, November 4, 1849.  
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