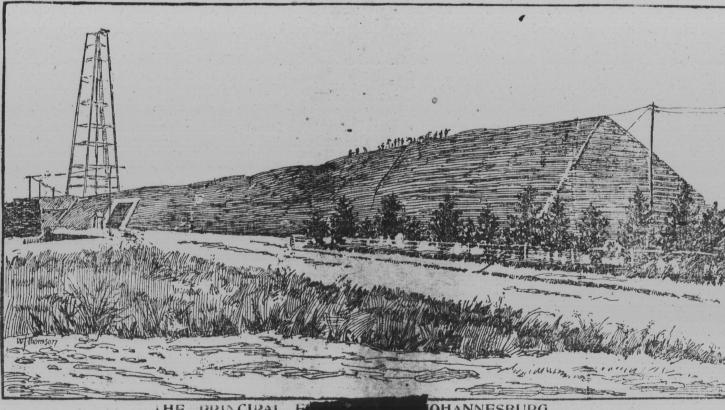
with them, and which they exchanged for other books that other men had brought on board. They were, I say again, the best of Englishmen—wide-awake, well-informed proud, polished; polite, considerate had bounding with an mal health and high spirits.

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than the bare, hard for or most and poor wretches whom historians and neets have glorified for not fearing poets have glorified for not fearing death; every one of whom, I honestly believe, fears it more than these spiendid, dashing fellows, who keep on carving empires out of the map to swell

> en to Government House?" I ask of these men yesterday.
> said he, "and I'm not going aid they might send me some-

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