

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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CITY OF HOBART

Location

60 miles NE of Wilsons Promontory

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S123

Date lost

24/07/1877

Official number

31628

Construction material

Iron

Hull

This vessel not mentioned in Lloyds Register.100 HP EB

Propulsion

Steam - Screw

Number of masts

3

Length/Breadth/Depth

184.20 Feet / 24.70 Feet / 18.60 Feet

Builder

T. Wingate & Co

Year of construction

1853

Built port

Whiteinch, Glasgow

Built country

Scotland

Registration Port

Sydney

Date lost

24/07/1877

Departure

Newcastle

Destination

Melbourne

Cargo

615 tons of coal

Owner

W.Summerbell.

Master

Captain J. Lowrie

Cause of loss

Propellor shaft broke, piercing the hull, causing the vessel to sink stern first.

VHR history

The City of Hobart was an iron steamer built for the Tasmanian Steam Navigation Company for use in the inter-colonial passenger and cargo trade. Towards the end of its working life, it was reduced to carrying coal. On a voyage from Newcastle to Melbourne the propellor shaft broke and is thought to have pierced the hull, the vessel sinking soon afterwards.