

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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JANE

Location

Warrnambool

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S360

Date lost

06/09/1867

Official number

31827

Construction material

Wood

Hull

Square stern, 1 deck, carvel built

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

83.70 Feet / 23.80 Feet / 14.20 Feet

Year of construction

1840

Built port

Sunderland

Built country

England

Registration Number

15 of 1863

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

06/09/1867

Cargo

6 tons potatoes on board

Owner

Samuel House and William Branscombe of Melbourne.

Master

Captain Thrussel

Weather conditions

Gale

Cause of loss

Wind caused the anchors to part and due to the wind and sea she drifted ashore. Vessel beached broadside.

Number of crew

1

Crew comments

Ships cook drowned - Maurice Vital, aged 24

VHR history

Bring Jane, Captain Thrussel arrived on Tuesday to take on cargo of potatoes. Due to heavy rolling sea had just commenced loading and at the time of the wreck had taken on board 1/2 dozen tons on board. 2pm parted cable but held until night when other cable parted and vessel came on shore. Crew tried to return as she drifted shoreward of by Captain Helpman and the harbourmasters boat's however before reaching the vessel the HM boat struck by sea and capsized. 1 person lost, vessel expected to be total wreck. Body not recovered.
 The court of inquiry found Captain Thrussell guilty of negligence in that he left Melbourne knowing his anchor cables were defective, but as he did not hold a masters certificate no action could be taken.