

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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### Location

Discovery Bay, 30 miles west of Portland

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S377

### Date lost

10/1861

### Official number

31569

### Construction material

Wood

### Propulsion

Sail

### Length/Breadth/Depth

87.60 Feet / 22.30 Feet / 15.00 Feet

### Year of construction

1826

### Built port

Liverpool

### Built country

England

### Registration Port

Sydney

**Date lost**

10/1861

**Departure**

Adelaide

**Destination**

Sydney

**Cargo**

270 tons of flour

**Owner**

F. & J.E. Ebsworth

**Cause of loss**

Disabled in squally weather and eventually beached

**VHR history**

Vessel left Port Adelaide for Sydney in October 1861. On the evening 21st October ship encountered a heavy gale off Cape Northumberland. Vessel heeled over onto beams end and began to take in water. Main mast was cut down and the vessel began to take in water. main mast was cut down and the vessel brought back onto and even keel but with the  
tremendous loss of life. Vessel was sighted by Captain Germein at the Cape Northumberland Lighthouse a boat was dispatched to the wreck and the 3 survivors Captain Seivers, Edward Lennon and Alexander Munro were taken off. The light house keeper returned to the vessel in an attempt to anchor it off Port McDonnell the vessel continued to drift. The remains of the vessel lie fragmented and scattered along the beach.