Victorian Heritage Database Report

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PINAFORE

Location

Port Phillip Bay, 7-8 miles north of West Channel Pile Light

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S532

Date lost

27/10/1893

Construction material

Iron

Hull

Cutter, Other

Propulsion

Steam - Unknown

Length/Breadth/Depth

0.00 Feet / 0.00 Feet / 0.00 Feet

Date lost

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Departure

Western Port

Destination

Williamstown

Cargo

Not known

Owner

McGowan of Western Port

Master

Captain C.T.White

Weather conditions

Light northerly breeze; freshened to gale; ran up strong sea

Cause of loss

Foundered while under tow

Number of crew

2

VHR history

Rig listed as steam launch While being towed up Bay by the steam tug Amy, it began shipping water in strong sea. Bailing was ineffectual, so Captain Wilkins stopped Amy's engines to allow Pinafore's crew to board for safety. Just as Pinafore ranged alongside a heavy sea broke over the vessel, causing it to founder head first.