

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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BENJAMIN ELKIN

Location

Port Fairy

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

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Cause of loss

SHIPWRECKS AT PORT FAIRY. The gales of Sunday last produced disastrous results at Port Fairy. Three fine barques, the Dundee, Benjamin Elkin, and the Nellie, all with valuable cargoes on board, were blown ashore and have become total wrecks. The Benjamin Elkin was fully loaded and cleared out for London, her cargo consisted of 1,190 hales of wool and three casks of tallow. The Dundee had a considerable portion of her wool on board, and the Nellie had only arrived two days before, from London, via Portland, with a general cargo. We have no information of loss of life. Portions of the cargoes will no doubt be saved. The gale was still blowing when the mail left.