

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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TAMAR MAID

Location

Williamstown, site of royal Victorian Yacht Club

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S660

Date lost

14/04/1866

Official number

32225

Construction material

Wood

Propulsion

Sail

Engine specification

Ex paddle steamer - engine removed June 1861

Number of masts

3

Length/Breadth/Depth

73.00 Feet / 10.40 Feet / 4.90 Feet

Year of construction

1859

Built port

Launceston, Tasmania

Built country

Australia

Registration Port

Launceston

Date lost

14/04/1866

Departure

River Mersey

Destination

Melbourne

Cargo

Sponges

Owner

John Cartledge

Master

John Cartledge

Cause of loss

Capsized trying to enter Port Phillip Heads

VHR history

Vessel capsized trying to enter the Rip, found adrift on beam ends 8 miles SWS of Point Nepean, towed by tug Resolute to Williamstown. Stewart's body had been found entangled in the rigging about 6 ft under water, accidentally drowned. The Tamar Maid had been stranded in Hobsons Bay in 1860, refloated and converted from paddle steamer to a schooner. In 1865 it carried ballast from Geelong to Melbourne.