

ACTIVITY: Pearl diving

CASE: [GSAF 1883.02.25.R](#)

DATE: Reported February 25, 1883

LOCATION: The pearling beds off Northern Territory, Australia.

NAME: Unknown

NARRATIVE: No details

INJURY: Fatal

SPECIES: Not identified

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WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, Feb. 25.

The schooner Planet has brought news of a very satisfactory character from the north-west settlements. Plentiful rain had fallen, and stock and pasture were in good condition. The pearling boats had a most successful season so far.

Mr. Canning, the representative of the Bank of New South Wales, arrived by the Macedon to-day, for the purpose of establishing local branches in the colony.

A diver employed at the pearl shell fishery, at the north-west, was bitten by a shark and died an hour afterwards from hemorrhage.

A settler named Higgins and a young lady named Longbottom, while riding home from the Blackwood races, collided with other equestrians. Both of their horses were killed, and Higgins and Miss Longbottom were severely injured.