ACTIVITY: Swimming
CASE: GSAF 1890.00.00.a / SA-033
DATE: Circa 1890
LOCATION: The attack took place in the Indian Ocean at Cape Vidal on the Zululand coast, 260 kilometres northeast of Durban, now KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. 28°07.7’S, 32°33.7’E

NAME: Unknown
DESCRIPTION: He was a young Zulu male.

BACKGROUND
WEATHER: “Very hot”
SEA CONDITIONS: The water was “very clear”.
DEPTH OF WATER: 0.9 to 1.5 metres
TIME: 15h30

NARRATIVE: On February 3, 1967 John Daniel, Assistant Ranger in charge of St Lucia Park, wrote to Jeanette D’Aubrey, “One of the old timers at Banganzi Beach, a man now in his eighties, says that many years ago when he was a small boy he and some of his friends went into the water for a dip. One of the boys shouted that something had his leg. He said that he then saw a large shark go past him. They gave the boy a hand out of the water.”

INJURY: Fatal. When they brought the boy to the beach they found that he had sustained deep gashes to his leg and his foot had been partly severed. He died before they could get him home.

SPECIES INVOLVED: Not identified

SOURCES: John Daniel and Jeanette D’Aubrey

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