

ACTIVITY: Bathing
CASE: GSAF ND.0016
DATE: Prior to 1921
LOCATION: The incident took place in Durban Bay, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.

NAME: Unknown
DESCRIPTION: He was a male.

BACKGROUND:
DEPTH OF WATER. Three feet

NARRATIVE: "By the Port Office, before any wharves were built, four men were bathing in three feet of water when a great shark—just come into the Bay over the bar, which had only four feet on it—at once tackled the, and one poor fellow was almost bitten in halves. He died before reaching the hospital."

INJURY: Fatal

SPECIES INVOLVED: Not identified

SOURCE: Captain Alex Anderson, a correspondent for the Natal Mercury newspaper in the 1920s, recorded much of the history of the Durban waterfront, including this case. Many of his other articles and correspondence, are to be found in the Anderson Papers, a collection held by the Killie Campbell Africana Library in Durban.

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