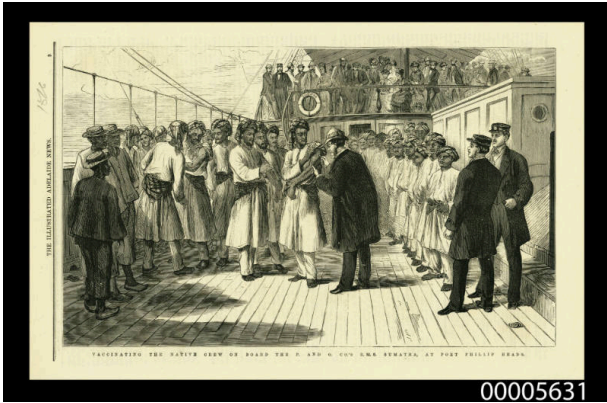


Basic Detail Report



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Title

Vaccinating the native crew on board the P and O Co.'s RMS SUMATRA, at Port Phillip Heads

Date

1876

Primary Maker

Illustrated Adelaide News

Medium

Ink on paper

Dimensions

Overall: 410 x 280 mm

Name

Engraving

History

The SS SUMATRA was built for the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (P&O) by Derry & Co. It had a single steam piston engine and the capacity for 180 first class and 60 second class passengers. SUMATRA was built for P&O's Bombay/Aden/Suez service and in 1869 grew to some fame for rescuing the survivors of the CARNATIC and landed them safely to Suez. In 1875 the ship covered the Venice/Alexandria and Venice/Alexandria/Bombay service and for a single year in 1876 the Bombay - Melbourne route. SUMATRA was sold in 1886 for use in the Mecca Pilgrimage Trade. In 1889, under new owners, SUMTRA was destroyed by fire in the Mediterranean when on a voyage from Batoum to Hong Kong with a cargo of cased petroleum.