

## RETURN OF WRECKS and CASUALTIES to SHIPPING reported to the Marine Department from the 1st April, 1900, to the 31st March, 1901.

Date of Casualty.	Name of Vessel, also Age and Class.	Rig.	Registered Tonnage	Number of		Nature of		Number of Lives lost.	Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Decision of Court of Inquiry, &c.	Name of Master.
				Decks	Passengers.	Cargo.	Casualty.			Direction.	Force.		
1899. Nov. 3 (about)	Wolverine, new vessel	Schooner	42	7	..	9,000 ft. sawn timber	Capsized; total loss	7; all hands	Supposed off Cape Saunders, on voyage from Whangaroa to Bluff	S.W.	Heavy gale	Vessel left Whangaroa on 21st October for Bluff, and, having met with heavy weather, put into Akaroa for water and stores. She was last seen off Cape Saunders on 3rd November, on evening of which day a heavy S.W. gale sprang up, and it is supposed that the vessel was struck by a squall, and that her cargo shifted owing to loose stowing, which would prevent her righting in a sea. On 28th December the s.s. "Nairnshire" came upon her as a derelict in lat. 43° 27' S., long. 177° 55' E., lying on her port side, both masts standing, no spars lost, and submerged from bows to main, having her after-rail about 20 ft. above water. Deck was at such an angle that it was not safe to board her	Findlay McArthur.
1900. May 5	Warrior, 2 years	Schooner	73	4	..	Kauri logs	Stranded; partial loss	..	Two miles north of Nine-pin Rock, North Head, Manukau	..	..	Wind suddenly failed when vessel attempted to cross Manukau Bar	John Henry Rochfort.
"	Eliza Firth, 31 years	Brigantine	143	7	..	Timber..	Loss of life only	1	Off West Coast, North Island, on voyage from Kaipara to Lyttelton	E.N.E.	Strong breeze, with squalls	An A.B. named Frederick Turnbull was washed overboard by a heavy sea during a squall, and, owing to the rough sea and darkness of the night, nothing could be done to save him	Joseph Murray.
"	Nautilus, s.s., 14 years	Schooner	29	4	2	Cattle, fruit, butter, and sleepers	Stranded; slight damage	..	Near end of West Wall, Buller Bar	W.	Moderate	Master took bar in rough weather, heavy sea, and against signals, in preference to remaining outside and keeping to sea	Samuel Alexander Leech.
"	Nancy, 27 years	Cutter ..	22	2	..	Shingle	Capsized and foundered; total loss	1	Between Pahiki Island and mainland entrance to Auckland Harbour	N.W.	Squall	Vessel was anchored without taking in sails, when a squall struck her, and she capsized and foundered. The master was drowned	Richard Bloomfield.
20	Ronga, 1 year..	Schooner	93	6	..	Timber..	Loss of life only	1	Off Kaikoura, on voyage from Mercury Bay to Lyttelton	N.N.E.	Moderate gale	An A.B., Peter Olsen, was engaged in making mainsail fast, when vessel gave heavy lurch. He lost his footing, and before he could recover himself a heavy sea broke on board and washed him overboard. Owing to bad weather nothing could be done to save him	Edward Petersen.
"	Margaret Galbraith, 32 years, Al Lloyd's	Ship ..	841	23	..	Wool and tallow	Collision; slight damage	..	Outer anchorage, Bluff Harbour	W.	Light	Vessels came into collision while swinging at their anchors	Andrew Culbert.
23	Zealandia, s.s., 1 year, Al Lloyd's	Schooner	1736	67	72	General	Collision; slight damage	..					Alfred Henry Thorpe.