

RETURN of WEEKS and CASUALTIES to SHIPPING reported to the Marine Department—continued.

Date of Casualty.	Vessel's Name, Age, and Class.	Reg.	Register Tonnage	Number of		Nature of		Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Finding of Court of Inquiry.	Name of Master.
				Crew.	Passen- gers.	Cargo.	Casualty.		Direction.	Force.		
1905. Dec. 31	Oban, 9 years...	Scow ..	39	3	..	Coal ..	Partly sub-merged	Wellington Heads ..	N.	Moderate gale.	When being towed from Baring Head by the tug "Duco," the vessel sank suddenly by the head, and the three men on board were washed overboard and drowned	D. W. McKenzie.
" 31	Kapiti, s.s., 3 years	Schooner	80	10	..	Butter	Stranded; no loss	Patea River ..	W.	Moderate	According to statement of master and pilot, the cause of stranding is attributed to bad steering and inefficient propeller. Weight of cargo was about 117 tons, and ship was not loaded to within 6 in. of her Plimsoll mark	F. W. Cox.
1906. Jan. 1	Marere, s.s., 4 years	Schooner	4159	56	..	General	Stranded; no damage	Bluff Harbour ..	S.W.	Moderate	Strong ebb tide canted vessel	J. C. Felgate.
Feb. 2	Te Kapu, s.s. ..	Schooner	50	6	..	General	Grounded; no damage	Karamea ..	S.W.	Light ..	The scow "Haere," not following the tug, touched the bank, causing steamer to take the ground	J. G. Gilbertson.
" 20	Maheno, turbine, less than 1 year	Schooner	3276	116	307	General	Grounded; no damage	Bluff Harbour	Strong gale	While going alongside Bluff Wharf, towline parted and vessel drifted alongside sand-bank through force of gale	Robert Neville.
" 22	Jessie Nicol, 34 years	Schooner	93	7	..	General	Bowsprit carried away	Between Bluff and Macquarie Island	S.W.	Hard gale	Bowsprit carried away in heavy gale ..	P. J. Ewing.
Mar. 13	Tuariki ..	Oil-launch	7	2	4	Timber	Sunk ..	Pelorus Sound	Squally	Struck by squall	Peter Johnson.
" 17	Haere, 3 years	Schooner	99	5	..	Sawn timber.	Stranded; no damage	Karamea River ..	W.N.W.	Slight ..	Tug which had vessel in tow grounded inside the bar, and "Haere," having lost steerage-way, was pulled on to the end of the spit when the tug got a strain on again. Unavoidable accident	Christian Stenersen.
" 29	Alexander, s.s., 2 years	Schooner	185	16	1	Ballast	Stranded; no damage	Collinet Point, Elmslie Bay, French Pass	S.E.	Squally	Error in judgment in estimating distance of ship from land	William Arthur Wildman.