

RETURN OF WRECKS AND CASUALTIES TO SHIPPING REPORTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT, ETC.—continued.

| Date of Casualty. | Vessel's Name, Age, and Class. | Rig. | Register Tonnage. | Number of | | Nature of | | Number of Lives lost. | Place where Casualty occurred. | Wind. | | Finding of Court of Inquiry. | Name of Master. |
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| | | | | Crew. | Passengers. | Cargo. | Casualty. | | | Direction. | Force. | | |
| Sept. 14 | Oakland, 16 years (American) | Schooner | 383 | 4 | 2 | Gasolene | Fire; slight damage | .. | Gladstone Pier, Lyttelton | N.W. | Light .. | Whilst discharging cargo of motor-spirit the leakage from some damaged cases took fire near the hatch working. The fire was extinguished before damage was done to any extent. Probably caused by spark from galley-funnel | E. Wendt. |
| Oct. 1 | Huia, s.s., 40 years | Schooner | 69 | 9 | .. | General | Leaking; trifling damage | .. | .. | .. | .. | On arrival at New Plymouth a hole was discovered on port side, apparently caused by bolt having fallen out, and subsequent corrosion | D. Hanning. |
| " 5 | Greyhound, aux., o.e.v., 19 years | Schooner | 83 | 7 | .. | General | Fire; considerable damage | .. | 2 miles S. of Kawanu Island | .. | .. | Fire occurred in engine-room, and afterwards spread to after-cabin. Caused through ignition of benzine fumes | R. McKinnon. |
| " 8 | Ranger, 25 years | Schooner | 64 | 4 | .. | .. | Collision; damage, £50 | .. | Nelson Street Wharf, Auckland | .. | Calm | In attempting to berth in a congested area at night-time the "Onerahi" fouled the "Ranger's" bowsprit, breaking it off, and also damaging her own rigging | J. E. J. Johansen. |
| " 8 | Onerahi, 6 years | Ketch .. | 25 | 4 | .. | .. | Collision; damage, £5 | .. | | | | | J. M. McKinnon. |
| " 11 | Cygnets, s.s., 32 years | Schooner | 66 | 10 | .. | Produce | Collision; no damage | .. | No. 4 Wharf, Lyttelton | N.E. | Moderate | When approaching the wharf the "Cygnets" engine failed to go astern, and she ran into the stern of the "Wairau," damaging the latter's bulwarks | A. I. Murray. |
| " 11 | Wairau, s.s., 15 years | Schooner | 59 | 6 | .. | Scrap-iron | Collision; slight damage | .. | | | | | Wm. McKinnon. |
| 16 | Port Alma, s.s., 17 years | Schooner | 4,344 | 66 | .. | Frozen meat | Damaged hull; slight accident | .. | New Plymouth | S.E. | Moderate gale | The vessel was rolling heavily, and the anchor bumped a hole in the forepeak | .. |
| Nov. 15 | Cooee, aux., 20 years | Cutter .. | 6 | 2 | .. | Fish .. | Collision; damage, £20 | .. | Auckland Harbour | N.E. | Light | The master of the "Cooee" attempted to cross the bow of the "Kaitangata," but, finding he could not do so, altered his course, and fouled the port quarter of the steamer, breaking his bowsprit, and sustaining other damage | O. Seaberg. |
| " 15 | Kaitangata, s.s., 11 years | Schooner | 1,219 | 30 | .. | Coal .. | Collision; no damage | .. | Gray's Bay, Hauraki Gulf | S.W. to N.W. | Strong | Cable parted in heavy weather, and vessel drifted ashore | J. C. McLean. |
| " 27 | May, 26 years | Schooner | 44 | 4 | .. | Shingle | Stranded; damage, £500 | .. | | | | | A. E. Ragg. |
| Dec. 8 | Dorset, s.s., 15 years | Schooner | 5,599 | 83 | 2 | General | Fire; no damage | .. | Off Cape Runaway, N.Z. | N. | Gale .. | Fire amongst cargo; cause unknown. No damage to ship, considerable to cargo | A. L. Hughes. |
| " 9 | A. Friend, o.e.v., 20 years | Yawl .. | 2 | 1 | .. | .. | Collision; trifling damage | .. | Off No. 2 Wharf, Lyttelton | S. | Moderate | The "Aroha" tried to cross the bow of the "A. Friend," but apparently there was not room, and a slight collision occurred | H. C. Stimpson. |
| " 9 | Aroha, o.e.v., 10 years | Launch | 4 | 1 | .. | General | Collision; no damage | .. | | | | | J. S. Morris. |
| " 10 | Dorset, s.s., 15 years | Schooner | 5,599 | 83 | 2 | General | Stranded; no damage | .. | Hope Shoal, Welling-ton Harbour | N. | Moderate | Vessel stranded whilst proceeding up harbour in thick weather, and stranding was contributed to by the master using an obsolete chart | A. L. Hughes. |
| " 13 | Kiritona, aux., o.e.v., 9 years | Schooner | 75 | 9 | .. | General | Stranded; slight damage | .. | Between E. Cape Island and mainland | S. | Strong | The vessel struck some object, probably the reef which runs out from the mainland, and damaged her starboard propeller and shaft. | C. Perriam. |
| " 17 | Glyn Bird, aux., o.e.v., 7 years | Launch | 6 | 1 | .. | Produce | Stranded; damage, £5 | .. | Narrow Neck Reef | .. | Calm .. | The master had gone below, owing to illness, and left the vessel in charge of the man at the wheel who was apparently affected by the heat of the sun, and was found in a dazed condition after the stranding | J. O. Parry. |