

RETURN of Wrecks on which Inquiries have been held, &c.—continued.

Date of Casualty.	Name of Vessel, also Age and Class, when known.	Reg. Tonnage.	Number of		Nature of Cargo.	Nature of Casualty.	Number of Lives Lost.	Place where Casualty took place.	Wind.		Finding of the Court of Inquiry.	Name of Master.
			Crew.	Passengers.					Direction.	Force.		
1873. May 3	"Emulous," 9 years	157	8	...	Flour, 48 tons	Stranded; total loss	...	Oamaru Beach ...	...	Calm	Vessel lost from neglect of master in not paying out sufficient chain to ride with. Vessels of this class should be much better found. Cables of insufficient length. Master's certificate suspended for six months.	Angus Mathieson.
May 3	"Ocean Wave," 8 years	118	7	2	Coal	Stranded; total loss	...	Oamaru Beach ...	...	Calm	Master had to slip in order to avoid being run down by "Emulous," when vessel was cast on shore by the sea.	Christopher Frederick Mann.
May 6	"Fanny Kelly," 6 months	35	4	...	General	Stranded; partial loss	...	Hole in the Wall Passage, inside of Mercury Island, East Coast	E.	Moderate	Casualty occurred through vessel striking a sunken rock alleged not to be laid down in chart. No blame attributable to master.	Charles Baker.
May 18	"Alert," 18 years	43	4	...	Sawn timber	Abandoned; water-logged; partial loss	...	Titirangi Bank, Guard's Bay	S.S.E.	...	Vessel being leaky was abandoned ...	John King.
May 22	"Pearl," 10 years	34	3	...	Coal	Stranded; partial loss	...	Arrow Rock, western side of entrance to Nelson Harbour	West	Gentle breeze	Casualty occurred by master attempting to bring vessel into harbour against the tide.	Edward Nelson.
May 25	"Emu," 24 years	27	2	...	Ballast	Capsized; total loss	...	Off Pigeon Bay, 10 miles from Lyttelton South Head	S.W.	...	A sudden puff of wind capsized and she foundered.	Thomas Thompson.
May 26	"Mary Thomson," 23 years	49	5	...	Ballast	Stranded; total loss	...	On the reef inside Omaha Bay, Auckland	S. by E.	Heavy gale	Vessel lost through stress of weather; no blame to master.	Martin John O'Connell.
May 28	"Earl of South Esk," 16 years	336	12	...	Coal, 478 tons	Stranded; total loss	...	South end of Barrett's Reef, entrance to Port Nicholson	S.	Light breeze	Vessel lost through error in judgment on part of master: 1st. In endeavouring to beat into harbour without a pilot; 2nd. In weighing his anchor before the southerly wind had fairly set in; 3rd. When getting under way and seeing the wind baffling, he did not either make a stern board or let go his anchor again. Master censured for carelessness and want of caution, more particularly in not having jib bent.	William Archibald Frodsham.
May 31	"Kate"	26	3	...	Grain, Oats, and Seed	Stranded; partial loss	...	North Spit at entrance to Wanganui River	E.	Light	Master censured for carelessness and want of caution, more particularly in not having jib bent.	Joseph Barnard Tilley.
May 31	"Agnes"	23	3	...	Timber	Supposed stranded; total loss	Supposed 3 (all hands)	About half-way between Waikato and Raglan	Not known	known	Portions of wreck of vessel picked up between Waikato and Raglan.	Frank Brew.
June 7	"Gem"	6 (Not registered)	2	...	Firewood and Pigs	Stranded; total loss	...	Bar at the mouth of the Wairau River	N.E.	Strong	Loss unavoidable; no blame attached to anybody.	Robert George Staveley.
June 19	"Elizabeth"	33	3	...	Ballast	Loss of life	1	Four miles from Wellington Heads	S.E.	...	Man accidentally fell overboard ...	William Short.
June 22	"Waipara," s.s.	70	9	...	Coals	Stranded; partial loss	...	South Spit, Grey-mouth Bar	N.W.	Strong breeze	Early on the tide, not sufficient allowance made for sea and wind.	C. S. Bascand.