

RETURN of Wrecks on which Enquiries have been held under the Enquiry into Wrecks Act, or for which Casualty Returns have been received, between the 1st July, 1876, and 30th June, 1877.

Date of Casualty.	Name of Vessel; also, Age and Class when known.	Rig.	Register Tonnage.	Number of		Nature of Cargo.	Nature of Casualty.	Number of Lives Lost.	Place where Casualty happened.	Wind.		Finding of Court of Enquiry, or Opinion of Officer holding Investigation.	Name of Master.
				Crew.	Passengers.					Direction.	Force.		
1876. June 15	Agnes, 1½ years	Schooner	128	8	...	Wool and fungus	Stranded; total loss	...	Reef in Waitangi Harbour, Chatham Islands	N.N.W.	Strong gale	One of chains parted, and vessel drifted on to reef during a heavy gale	Robert Morgan.
July 2	Valley's 5 years, A1 Lloyds	Barque	652	18	...	General	Loss of life	1	Lat. 44° 26' S., long. 48° 46' E.	N.W.	Gale	Apprentice lost overboard from main-top sail yard during gale; no blame to any one on board	David Thomas.
"	Lady Franklin, 4½ years	"	235	9	...	Ballast	Stranded; total loss	...	Mary Catherine Bank, Kaipara Harbour	S.W.	Blowing hard	Mate (James Carlees) should have seen that proper anchor watch was kept; master and mate's certificate suspended for one month	John Eaton Payne.
"	England's Glory, 7 years, A1 Lloyds	Ship	751	20	...	General	Loss of life	1	Lat. 42° 18' S., long. 72° 25' E.	N.W.	Gale	Boy washed overboard during gale; no blame to any one on board	William Knight.
"	Australian Sovereign, 4 years, A1 10 years	Barque	353	11	...	Coal	Collision; partial loss	...	About 25 miles from Newcastle, New South Wales	S.S.W.	Strong gale	Collision caused by sudden shift of wind; Ann put back, apparently for Newcastle, but was totally wrecked, and all hands lost in a heavy gale of wind on the night of the day of collision in Port Stephens	Isaac Benjamin Burch.
"	Ann, not known	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
"	Coq du Village, 12 years	"	317	10	...	Coal	Stranded; total loss	...	Petane Beach, about 4½ miles from Napier entrance	N.E. by E.	Whole gale	Vessel having parted her cables during a heavy gale, went on shore; no blame attached to officers or crew	Henry Edmonds.
"	Hope, 20 years	Cutter	21	3	...	General	"	...	Moeraki Heads, East Coast, South Island	S.W.	Light breeze	Master committed an error in judgment in keeping too close to Moeraki Head	Joseph Scott.
"	Agnes, 9 months	Ketch	24	3	...	General produce	Stranded; partial loss	...	North Spit on Patea Bar	N.W.	...	Wind fell light while vessel was crossing the bar	Eugene McCarthy.
Aug. 2	Peerless	Schooner	46	6	1	General	Stranded; total loss	...	Island of Sauwaroff, S.E., point about lat. 13° S., long. 163° 3' W.	E. by N.	Squally	Vessel lost through want of lookout; mate (John Nicol) blamed for disobedience to orders and gross carelessness; certificate, New Zealand Service No. 2429, held by him cancelled; sentence of Court subsequently mitigated by Governor to suspension for two years	Richard Metcalf.
"	Dagmar, 9 years	"	45	4	...	Timber	Stranded; afterwards capsized; total loss	...	Struck on Catlin's River Bar, capsized near the Nuggets, East Coast, S. Island	S.W.	Strong breeze	Vessel struck on bar on Catlin's River, shortly afterwards she commenced to make water, and almost immediately went on her beam ends	David Connor.