

RETURN of WRECKS and CASUALTIES to SHIPPING reported to the Marine Department, &c.—*continued.*

Date of Casualty.	Name of Vessel, also Age and Class.	Rig.	Tonnage.	Number of		Nature of		Number of Lives Lost.	Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Decision of Court of Inquiry.	Name of Master.
				Crew.	Passengers.	Cargo.	Casualty.			Direction.	Force.		
1882. Jan. 17	East Lothian, 29 years	Barque ...	348	10	...	Ballast ...	Stranded; partial loss	...	Outside edge, Tory Shoal, Kaipara Bar	...	Calm ...	Wind falling light, tide carried vessel on to the bank	Charles Brophy.
Between Nov. and Jan.	Maria Virginia, 16 years	Topsail schooner	198	13	...	Sugar and tobacco	Spars, rigging, and rudder damaged	...	On voyage from Salaverry to Lyttelton put into Chatham Islands	Blowing the	hard all voyage	Serious damage to spars, rigging, and rudder, caused by bad weather and vessel being in differently fitted out	Alexandro Sauri.
Feb. 6	Manx Queen, 3 years, 100 A1	Barque ...	303	10	...	Flour and wheat	Fire in forehold	...	Port Chalmers Harbour	...	...	Fire broke out in forehold, and damaged part of the cargo	Robert Giok Karan.
" 11	Wakatu, s.s., 2 years	Schooner	75	13	2	General...	Stranded; partial loss	...	About 100 feet inside end of groin, Patea River	W.	Strong breeze	The propeller was stripped on the apron of the groin, which caused the vessel to refuse to answer her helm and go ashore	Christen Eriksen Greager.
" 17	Westport, s.s., 6 months	"	263	21	...	Coal	Stranded; partial loss	...	Buller River, Westport	...	...	Vessel struck on snag alongside the coal-staith	John Gibb.
" 21	Griffin, 3 years	Fore-&-aft schooner	48	4	...	"	Stranded; partial loss	...	Rangitoto Reef, Auckland Harbour	...	...	Vessel stranded at 9 p.m. on the 21st February, but floated off on next tide, with loss of part of false keel. Considering the position of schooner, master ought not to have left the deck in charge of one man only, as by so doing he not only endangered the safety of his own vessel, but put lives and property in other vessels in risk of loss	William Bishop.
" 23	Star of the Sea, 9 years	"	38	5	...	General	Stranded and foundered; total loss	...	West Head, entrance to Tory Channel	N.N.E. to W.	Variable	Vessel missed stays when entering Tory Channel, and struck on a reef of rocks at the West Head, and afterwards, from damage received, foundered about a mile from the entrance	John Hadfield Smith.
Mar. 13	Orpheus, 6 years	Schooner	53	5	...	Timber ...	Loss of life only	1	Off Banks Peninsula ...	N.E.	Strong breeze	Captain was taking in jib when he fell over-board	William Doughty.
" 16	Waitaki, s.s., 5 years	"	228	20	...	General	Collision; partial loss	...	At Port Chalmers, between the George Street and Bowen Piers	N.N.E.	Fresh	Collision caused through negligence of second engineer of "Waitaki," Matthew Craig Moffatt (uncertificated). Instructions were telegraphed to him by the master to go astern, when, instead of doing so, he went ahead. He was ordered to pay the costs of the inquiry	Joseph Hansly.
" 16	Koputai, p.s., 5 years	"	5	6	...	None	Collision; partial loss	...	North Spit, Kaipara Heads	S.	Very light	Casualty caused by tide setting vessel on to North Spit through her being too close to Tory Shoal when the wind failed	Donald Sinclair.
" 29	Vindex, 20 years	Barque ...	290	9	2	Timber ...	Stranded; total loss	...					Joseph Stolling.