

RETURN of ACCIDENTS to LIFE and LIMB which have occurred in connection with LAND BOILERS and MACHINERY in the OTAGO DISTRICT during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1888.

Name and Address of Owner.	Description of Machinery.	Name of Person injured.	Nature and Date of Accident.	Fatal or not.	Cause of Accident, and Remarks.
Messrs. Ross and Glendinning, Kaikorai	Woollen mill ; wool-washing machine	James Swanerton, aged 14 years	The right hand crushed, 11th October, 1887	Not	Was attending the washing-machine, and, while trying to remove wool from the bottom roller of squeezing-rollers, allowed his hand to get caught, the consequence being that his hand was completely destroyed. No one is allowed to touch the rollers without first stopping the machine : that is the rule laid down. In this case it is supposed the boy thought he could manage without stopping the machine—the consequence being the accident.
Messrs. Donaghy and Co., South Dunedin	Rope-works ..	John McLean, aged 14½ years	Ribs bruised, 17th March, 1888	Not	Was attending a spinning - jenny, and, in clearing it, instead of passing round the other side, attempted to stoop over, when the fly caught his coat, dragging him in. Luckily the extent of the accident was some bruises about the body without any broken bones. The boy was at work again about a week after.

SUMMARY of INSPECTIONS.

Number of inspections of boilers	...	...	...	...	464
Number of inspections of hydraulic lifts	...	...	...	...	54
Number of inspections of elevators	...	...	...	...	2
Number of machines inspected	...	...	...	...	495
Number of defects found on inspection of boilers and fittings	...	...	...	...	50
Number of accidents to boilers and machinery reported	...	...	...	...	2
Number of notices given to repair boilers	...	...	...	...	15
Number of notices given to remove dangerous parts of machinery	...	...	...	...	4
Number of notices given to fence dangerous parts of machinery	...	...	...	...	4
Number of accidents to life and limb	...	...	...	...	2

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