

RETURN of WRECKS and CASUALTIES to SHIPPING reported to the Marine Department from the 1st April, 1889, to the 31st March, 1890.

Date of Casualty.	Name of Vessel, also Age and Class.	Rig.	Register Tonnage.	Number of		Nature of		Number of Lives lost.	Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Decision of Court of Inquiry, &c.	Name of Master.
				Crew.	Passengers.	Cargo.	Casualty.			Direction.	Force.		
1880.													
Feb. 10	Gael, 12 years	Schooner	98	6	..	General & copra	Stranded; total loss	..	Reef off Malicoolo Island, New Hebrides	N.E.	Light ..	Vessel drifted on to reef, it being calm, with heavy swell inshore	Peder Gregessen Samiksen.
April 4	Clansman, 10 years	Brigantine	157	7	..	Coal ..	Stranded; total loss	..	Quarter-mile to west of mouth of Turanganui River, Poverty Bay	S.E.	Squally	Casualty caused through chains parting ..	Henry Matheson.
May 4	Ionic, 6 years ..	Four-masted	3070	..	..	General	Crank-shaft broke	..	Lat. 52° 12' S., long. 168° W., bearing N. 56° W.; 926 miles from Godley Heads	N.W.	Strong breeze	The aft crank-shaft became fractured about two-thirds across, and vessel returned to Lyttelton in order to fix spare shaft	William Henry Kidley.
"	14 Circe, 20 years	Schooner	145	7	..	Coal ..	Loss of life only	1	Lat. 44° 33' S., long. 161° 3' E., on voyage from Newcastle to Bluff	S.W.	Fresh gale	An A.B. named Christian Rissler, while engaged aloft in stowing the upper-topsail, fell from the yard on to the deck and was killed	George Francis.
"	14 Australia, s.s., 5 years	Schooner	260	25	12	General	Collision: partial loss	..	Outside Rangitoto Channel, entrance to Auckland Harbour	N.E.	Fresh	Casualty caused by carelessness of master of "Australia" in shaping his course without any regard to the approaching vessels, and in such a manner as to bring them suddenly into a dangerous position. Until collision was imminent he appears to have disregarded the other vessel altogether, taking it for granted she would have to get out of the way, although she was a sailing-vessel with a steam-tug lashed alongside, and had displayed her green light before he altered his course. His certificate was suspended for three months, and he was ordered to pay costs of inquiry	Alfred Labryere Kemp.
"	14 Awahina, s.s., 4½ years	Cutter ..	5	5	..	..	Collision: partial loss	..					Alexander Campbell.
"	14 Essex (America)	Barque..	630	12	..	Ballast..	Collision: partial loss	..					Alfred Lawrence Shautbe.
"	15 Rose, 29 years..	Cutter ..	25	4	..	Firewood	Stranded; total loss	..	Tryphena Harbour, Great Barrier Island	S.W.	Strong ..	The anchor dragged through force of wind and sea, vessel went on shore and became a total wreck	Manuel Ignacio Soares.
"	17 Coralie, 15 yrs.	Cutter ..	29	..	..	Sawn timber and drain-pipes	Stranded; partial loss	..	Little Mahia..	S.	Gale ..	Vessel ran in for shelter, and wind changing, anchor broke, and master had to run her ashore	Peter Brown.
"	19 Coriolanus, 12½ years	Barque..	1045	..	..	General	Stranded; no damage	..	About 14 miles off Abrothos Lighthouse, Brazil	..	..	Vessel touched something. Soundings taken shortly after, but no bottom found	John Theodor Parkilsen.
"	22 Cabarfeidh, 15 years	Barque..	333	12	..	Timber..	Stranded; partial loss	..	Entrance to Kaipara Harbour	E.S.E.	Light breeze	Vessel took the ground outside Tory Shoal when going out of harbour	Charles Thow.
May 25	Mo'a, s.s., 3 years	Schooner	110	..	..	Cattle and sheep	Stranded; partial loss	..	Near the Head's wharf, Wanganui River	..	..	Vessel refused to answer her helm, and grounded on stones	Oscar Jarman.
"	27 E. U. Cameron, 21 years	Schooner	41	3	..	Ballast..	Stranded; total loss	..	Te Wae Point, Bluff Harbour	W.S.W.	Strong breeze	Vessel missed stays when tacking, and anchor was let go, but did not hold	Frederick England.
"	31 Australia, s.s., 5 years	Schooner	260	24	12	General	Stranded; slight damage	..	Near Awamui Reef, 10 miles S.W. from East Cape	S.E.	Fresh breeze	Vessel touched on rock when calling at Awamui landing-place	John Henning Johnson.