

SUMMARY of CASUALTIES to SHIPPING reported to the Marine Department during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1898.

Nature of Casualties.	Casualties on or near the Coasts of the Colony.						Casualties outside the Colony.						Total Number of Casualties reported.		
	Steamers.			Sailing-vessels.			Steamers.			Sailing-vessels.			Total outside Colony.		
	No. of Vessels.	Tonnage.	No. of Lives lost.	No. of Vessels.	Tonnage.	No. of Lives lost.	No. of Vessels.	Tonnage.	No. of Lives lost.	No. of Vessels.	Tonnage.	No. of Lives lost.	No. of Vessels.	Tonnage.	No. of Lives lost.
Strandings,—															
Total wrecks	2	1,335	13	3	1,602	12	5	2,937	25	..	..	..	5	2,937	25
Partial loss	4	1,514	..	7	1,937	..	11	3,451	..	..	..	..	11	3,451	..
Slight damage	2	2,169	..	3	390	..	5	2,559	..	..	..	..	5	2,559	..
No damage	3	575	..	1	61	..	4	636	..	..	..	..	4	636	..
Total strandings	11	5,593	13	14	3,990	12	25	9,583	25	..	..	..	25	9,583	25
Collisions,—															
Total loss	..	..	..	1	365	..	1	365	..	..	..	..	1	365	..
Partial loss	..	..	..	3	1,299	..	3	1,299	..	..	..	..	3	1,299	..
Slight damage	4	282	..	..	..	..	4	282	..	..	..	..	4	282	..
No damage	4	4,223	..	..	..	..	4	4,223	..	..	..	..	4	4,223	..
Total collisions..	8	4,505	..	4	1,664	..	12	6,169	..	..	..	..	12	6,169	..
Fires,—															
Partial loss	..	..	..	2	1,334	..	2	1,334	..	..	..	..	2	1,334	..
Slight damage	3	469	..	..	..	..	3	469	..	..	..	..	3	469	..
Total fires	3	469	..	2	1,334	..	5	1,803	..	..	..	..	5	1,803	..
Miscellaneous, including damage by heavy seas to hull and cargo, leaks, loss of masts, sails, &c., and breakdown of machinery ..	4	2,655	..	1	80	1	5	2,735	1	1	1,354	..	7	4,364	1
Total casualties to shipping	26	13,222	13	21	7,068	13	47	20,290	26	1	1,354	..	49	21,919	26
Loss of life only	..	..	..	1	67	1	1	67	1	..	275	..	2	2,492	2
Total number of casualties reported	26	13,222	13	22	7,135	14	48	20,357	27	1	3,779	1	51	24,411	28