

No. 3.—RETURN of DEFECTS found on Inspection of Boilers during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1899.

Four hundred and sixty-six defects were found out, one hundred and eighteen of which were dangerous. One hundred and fifty-eight defective fittings were found on inspection of boilers, seventy-nine of which were dangerous.

No. 4.—RETURN of NOTICES given to REPAIR BOILERS during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1899.

Three hundred and twelve notices were given to repair boilers, and include boilers of the following types: Cornish, Lancashire, marine, multitubular, portable, semiportable, semitubular, traction, vertical flue, vertical tubular, and water-tube.

No. 5.—RETURN of NOTICES given to FENCE DANGEROUS PARTS of MACHINERY, &c., during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1899.

One hundred and five notices to fence dangerous parts of machinery were given, and included fly-wheels, gearing, spindles, emery-wheels, hydraulic lifts, driving-belts, ends of shafts, scutchers, pulleys, pinion-wheels, &c.

No. 6.—RETURN of ACCIDENTS (not fatal) in connection with Machinery during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1899.

Name and Address of Owner.	Description of Machinery.	Name and Age of Person injured.	Nature of Accident, and Date.	Cause of Accident, and Remarks.
W. Cable and Co., Wellington	Circular-saw ..	W. Bird; aged 20	Finger cut; 1st April, 1899	Getting his hand too close to saw.
W. Cable and Co., Wellington	Punching, &c., machine	T. Swede; aged 18	Loss of finger-top; 7th May, 1898	Climbing past machine, and put finger in gearing.
P. Stewart, Seaview, Wakanui	Chaff-cutter, double rollers	J. Christopher-son; aged 26	Loss of arm; 10th May, 1898	Having a self-made glove on, which caught in the rollers, and was drawn in. Machine could not be further protected.
Parker, Lamb, and Co., Auckland	Sawmill, goose-saw	H. Wilson; aged 19	Right hand cut off; 20th May, 1898	Wilson screwed the saw (which had just been sharpened) on with an old tomahawk. Saw was not screwed tight home by the nut on spindle, and came off, flew up to the ceiling, and falling, came in contact with his hand and cut it right off.
W. Wright, biscuit-factory, Dunedin	Biscuit-brake ..	H. Edmond; aged 17	Flesh-wound on right hand; 20th June, 1898	Wiping rolls with a sack while in motion, although previously warned not to do so.
Lyttelton Times Company, Lyttelton	Linotype ..	E. F. Oakes; aged 16	Flesh-wound on fingers; 23rd July, 1898	Pinched by cogs through cleaning part of machine while in motion, directly contrary to instructions.
W. Cable and Co., Wellington	Drilling-machine ..	W. D. Campbell; aged 17	Fingers crushed; 12th August, 1898	By not looking what he was doing he put his hand on gearing instead of on handle.
W. Cable and Co., Wellington	Drilling-machine ..	N. Hastings; aged 20	Thumb crushed; 13th August, 1898	Ditto.
H. J. Clark, Flaxton	Sawmill ..	A. Sambrook; aged 22	Two finger-tops cut off; 17th Aug., 1898	Through his own fault, getting his hand too close to saw. Will be back at work in a week.
P. and D. Duncan (Ltd.), Christchurch	Polishing-wheel ..	W. Langley; aged 23	Cut lip; 19th Sept., 1898	This man was employed at a buff for polishing, and was standing on the wrong side of wheel in motion; part of one of the wheels carried away, and struck him on the face. If he had been on the right side of the wheel it would have missed him.
Lyttelton Times Company, Lyttelton	Lithographic printing-machine	F. E. P. East; aged 27	Crushed thumb; 20th October, 1898	Inadvertence on the part of the machinist resting his hand on machine-carriage. Flesh-wound; nail removed.
Bailey and Co., Rata	Portable engine ..	F. King; aged 40	Scalded leg; 31st Oct., 1898	The driver screwed the nut off the bolt of the mud-hole, when the joint of the mud-door parted, and the water in the boiler escaped and scalded the man's leg.
M. Tiny, Peel Forest	Portable engine and firewood-bench, with movable top	J. Penny; aged 30	Loss of three fingers; 17th Dec., 1898	Pushing the wood too quickly in, and while talking to others, allowed his hand to come in contact with the saw.
W. Cable and Co., Wellington	Drilling-machine ..	W. McLeay; aged 16	Broken arm above wrist	Shifting belt on cone while in motion.