

RETURN of ACCIDENTS to SEAMEN and Others on board Ship reported to the Marine Department, &c.—*continued*.

Date of Accident.	Name of Vessel, Port of Registry, and Official Number.	Name of Person injured.	Nature of Injury: Fatal or otherwise.	Place where Accident occurred.	Particulars as to Accident and its Cause, and Verdict of Jury where Coroner's Inquest held.
1902.					
" 12	Te Anau, s.s., Dunedin, 752925	George Murphy	Fatal ..	Queen Street Wharf, Auckland	George Murphy, a wharf-labourer, while employed on board the Te Anau loading cargo, was fatally injured by the breaking of the derrick, and died the next day. Verdict: That cause of death was fracture of the base of the skull, and that the said George Murphy came by his death accidentally and by misfortune.
" 14	Ruapehu, s.s., Plymouth, 11357	James Burman	Fatal ..	Queen's Wharf, Wellington	A labourer, James Burman, while employed unloading the Ruapehu, fell down the hold and fractured his skull. He was removed to the hospital, where he died the next day. Verdict: Death due to fracture of the skull caused by falling down the hold.
" 19	Mercedes, s.s., London, 114846	Mak Chin ..	Fatal ..	Buller River, Westport	A Chinese fireman, Mak Chin, while employed in trimming coal in bunker, was buried with a fall of coal. Verdict of jury: Accidental death through suffocation.
" 19	Dandy, scow, Auckland, 102335	Wm. McNaughton, A.B.	Fatal ..	Auckland..	Wm. McNaughton, A.B., while engaged taking anchor on board, fell overboard just as vessel got under weigh and was drowned.
" 30	Kennedy, s.s., Nelson, 52361 ..	C. August ..	Head injured ..	Nelson ..	Owing to some bars of iron slipping from a sling, the second mate, C. August, was injured about the head, and was sent to Nelson Hospital for treatment.
Aug. 10	Rototiti, s.s., Dunedin, 101481..	Duncan Gray ..	Head injured ..	Queen's Wharf, Wellington	Duncan Gray, A.B., was in the hold stowing away luggage, and on returning to the deck slipped and fell a distance of about 14 ft. After being attended to by the doctor he was removed to the hospital in an unconscious state.
" 10	Sir Henry, Sydney, 93566 ..	Ernest Malmberg, A.B.	Drowned	Cook Strait	During a heavy gale and sea Ernest Malmberg, A.B., was
Sept. 1	Ronga, schooner, Lyttelton, 76076	William Harms, O.S. ..	Thumb injured ..	Off Brothers, Cook Strait	While making fast the main-topmast-stay sail W. Harms, O.S., injured his thumb, and on arrival at Lyttelton was sent to hospital for treatment.
" 29	Poharua, s.s., Dunedin, 98061..	Robert Hull, donkeyman	Rib broken ..	At sea ..	As Robert Hull was going down into ship's fore-castle to turn in, vessel gave a heavy lurch, and the handrail attached to the ladder giving way, he was thrown on to the fore-castle-deck, breaking a rib. He was sent to the hospital on arrival at Lyttelton.
Oct. 6	La Bella, Lyttelton, 76077 ..	Clarence Anniss, boy ..	Leg fractured ..	Timaru ..	Clarence Anniss, a boy employed on board, had his leg broken by a basket of coal striking him in discharging cargo.
" 12	Awarua, p.s., Auckland, 57650	Charles Dawson, passenger	Drowning ..	3½ miles off Kaitoke Beach, Great Barrier Island	Charles Dawson, a guest on board, standing on sponson attempting to get a bucket of water was dragged overboard and drowned.
Nov. 10	Karamea, s.s., Southampton, 110964	A. T. Watson, boatswain	Loss of arm ..	Glasgow Wharf, Wellington..	A. T. Watson, boatswain, was driving a winch on board, and at the same time attending a rope, when his left arm was caught round the barrel of the winch and torn from his body. He was attended by two doctors, and afterwards removed to the hospital for further treatment.
" 25	Kennedy, s.s., Nelson, 52361 ..	H. Sloss ..	Scalded ..	Nelson ..	H. Sloss, steward's assistant, was scalded through accidentally stumbling on deck while carrying a bucket of boiling water. He was sent to the hospital for treatment.