

RETURN OF ACCIDENTS TO SEAMEN and Others on board Ship reported to MARINE DEPARTMENT, &c.—continued.

Date of Accident.	Name of Vessel, Port of Registry, and Official No.	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.
1906. Jan. 18	Taiari, s.s., Dunedin, 95210 ..	James Houston, fireman	Abscess right leg	At sea ..	When turning ventilators he slipped and struck leg against a bolt, causing an abscess to form, which requires opening and man lying up for four or five days.
"	Stella, s.s., Auckland, 60402 ..	W. Evans, seaman	Injury to back ..	Auckland ..	While assisting to put lifeboat into chocks, the fall carried away and boat came down on man's back, causing injury necessitating medical treatment.
"	Tongariro, s.s., Plymouth, 111356	William G. Swan, third cook	Drowned ..	Wellington ..	Body found floating in Wellington Harbour. Deceased had been absent from the ship for about seven days before vessel's departure from colony, and had taken his effects with him.
"	Eliza Firth, Lyttelton, 59540 .. Morning Light, Lyttelton, 89368	Charles Laing, A.B. .. James Sinclair, A.B. ..	Hernia .. Injured ankle ..	On board Eliza Firth Lyttelton ..	Stated to be caused by lifting timber.
"	Rarawa, s.s., Auckland, 115207	Miss Marks, stewardess ..	Scalded right foot	Onehunga Wharf ..	While sculling ship's boat, slipped off thwart and hurt his ankle.
Feb. 4	Waverley, s.s., Nelson, 69012 ..	Thomas Jones, second mate	Middle finger right hand & badly crushed, and two fingers slightly injured	Waitui Bay, between Nelson and Wellington	Some one left a bucket of scalding water outside her door, and in stepping out she put her right foot into it, scalding the foot severely.
"	Tramp (scow), Auckland, 102344	F. Pelley, seaman ..	Bruised left foot	Chamberlain Island	While putting the anchor on the rail, with the assistance of a seaman, the hand was crushed. Accident caused by pitching of the sea making the anchor slip.
"	Kaipara, s.s., Plymouth, 114630	Walter Broyd, trimmer	Injury to back and scalp wound ..	Lyttelton Wharf ..	While assisting to jack logs the jack slipped and fell on right foot.
"	Zelateur (barque), Auckland, 117622	F. Gause ..	Bruised left side	Helensville ..	Stepped over edge of hatch in 'tween-decks, over which tarpaulin spread; tarpaulin gave under his weight, and man fell into hold about 25 ft. below.
"	Rarawa, s.s., Auckland, 115207	J. Olney, fireman	Twisted right knee	Between New Plymouth and Onehunga	While breaking down coal in hold he fell on a shovel, bruising side, and had to be discharged for medical treatment.
"	Elizabeth Graham (barque), Sydney, 56539	Edwin Watkins, boy ..	Right leg broken	Wellington Wharf	While tending fires man fell owing to rolling of ship, and twisted right knee; continued working but knee got too painful and he was discharged for medical treatment.
"	Rotomahana, Auckland, 75119	Joseph Pea, seaman ..	Injury right foot	Thames ..	While carrying bucket of water along 'tween-deck Watkins fell into lower hold.
Mar. 5	Wootton, s.s., Sydney, 112500	John Smith, second engineer	Top of third finger right hand cut off, and middle finger crushed	Off Greymouth ..	While slinging cases on wharf one fell on right foot, injuring it, though not seriously; foot since started to fester, and man discharged for medical treatment.
"	Pohorua, Dunedin, 98561 ..	J. Paris ..	Cut hand ..	Greymouth ..	While feeling the eccentric-straps vessel gave a roll and his fingers were jammed and injured, top of third finger being taken off.
"	Endor (cutter) ..	C. Shears, seaman ..	Drowned ..	Foveaux Strait ..	While drawing a bucket of water from the seacock he cut his hand on the brass guard, and was discharged for medical treatment.
					Verdict of Coroner's jury: That the said death occurred while Shears was working the tiller during a gale on 31st March, 1906, at West Cape, Chalky Sound, by means of a rope slipped round the tiller, and accidentally fell overboard and was drowned; no blame attachable to any one, and all reasonable means were used so save him.