

RETURN OF WRECKS AND CASUALTIES TO SHIPPING REPORTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT, &c.—continued.

Date of Casualty.	Vessel's Name, Age, and Class.	Reg.	Tonnage Registered	Number of		Nature of		Number of Lives lost.	Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Finding of Court of Inquiry.	Name of Master.
				Men	Passen- gers.	Cargo.	Casualty.			Direction.	Force.		
1907. June 26	Tramp, 6 years	Schooner	86	5	..	Timber	Stranded; trifling accident	..	20 miles S.E. South Kaipara	S.W.	Gale ..	Vessel caught on lee shore, and force of wind so great that she could not carry canvas to work out. Unavoidable casualty under the circumstances	C. Daniel.
"	Esk, 27 years..	Cutter ..	15	2	..	Ballast..	Stranded; partial loss	..	S.W. end of Patiki Island	S.W.	Hurricane	A sudden change of wind caught the vessel at anchor and drove her ashore	H. M. Vander-speek.
"	Navua, s.s., 3 years	Schooner	1813	62	..	General	Leak in stern glands; trifling	..	Lat. 34° 49' S., Long. 176° 11' E.	W.	Strong..	Stern glands were found to be leaking, and vessel put back to Auckland for repairs	D. McLean.
"	Allanton, s.s., 6 years	Schooner	2775	..	..	Ballast..	Damaged keel, trifling	..	Not known...	..	..	Vessel put into Auckland, and had some repairs effected to starboard bilgekeel, &c.	W. R. Rea.
July 1	Taviuni, s.s., 17 years	Schooner	910	35	2	Sugar ..	Collision; no damage	..	Quarantine ground, Auckland Harbour	S.	Light	The collision with the "Pendle Hill" was due to an error of judgment on the part of Captain Lindsay of the "Taviuni." No blame is attachable to the master or officers of the "Pendle Hill." The captain of the "Taviuni" had been ill for several days, and, in the opinion of the Court, should have allowed the chief officer to take the vessel into port. The master was ordered to pay costs of inquiry, £11 14s.	G. N. Lindsay.
"	Pendle Hill, 29 years	Barquentine	222	10	..	Coal ..	Collision; damage £30	..	Entrance Nelson Harbour	S.	Light ..	When entering Nelson Harbour the vessel was slow in answering her helm, and grazed the rocks	Robert Owens.
"	Penguin, s.s., 43 years	Schooner	517	42	40	General	Stranded; no damage	..	Gisborne Breakwater	S.	Fresh breeze	Vessel touched breakwater when being towed to sea. It was caused by set of sea and strong breeze, and tug having little way on	R. Stewart.
"	Ilma, 22 years	Barquentine	318	11	..	Ballast..	Stranded; partial loss	..	4 miles S.E. of Cape Terawhiti	S.S.W.	Moderate	The casualty was not caused or contributed to by negligent navigation or by any other negligence. It was caused by an error of judgment on the part of the master of the ship when the wind shifted	C. L. Olsen.
"	Woollahra, 32 years	Barque	942	16	..	Iron rails	Stranded; total loss	2	South Spit inside Wanganui Bar	S.	Strong	Casualty caused by wheel chains jumping off the gipsy, and reversing the engines did not stop way of the vessel, the rudder being useless. The gipsy was in a worn-out condition	A. Andresen.
"	Oreti, s.s., 30 years	Schooner	117	11	..	Coal ..	Stranded; partial loss, cargo £30	..	Wharf, Mochou, Haunaki Gulf	E.	Light ..	Whilst lying at the wharf the vessel grounded on a boulder, which damaged two bottom planks	R. A. Grono.
"	Bee, scow, 26 years	Schooner	50	3	..	Crane, &c.	Stranded; partial loss, £20	..	The Watchman Rock, Bay of Plenty	N.E.	Gale ..	The cause of the wreck was error of judgment on the part of the master in anchoring in an exposed position, and in not putting sail on when the vessel commenced to drag, so as to endeavour to work off shore; or, if he could not do this, to beach the vessel wherever practicable	Thomas Green.
"	Surprise, 7 years	Schooner	79	5	..	Ballast..	Stranded; total loss	4					J. T. Gallienne.