

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

Date of Casualty.	Vessel's Name, Age, and Class.	Reg.	Register Tonnage	Number of		Nature of		Number of Lives lost.	Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Finding of Court of Inquiry.	Name of Master.
				Crew	Passengers.	Cargo.	Casualty.			Direction.	Force.		
1924. Feb. 13	Tairoa, s.s., 24 years	Schooner	5,047	82	..	Frozen produce, 4,000 tons	Two plates dented, and several rivets started	..	Wanganui Roadstead	N.W. to N.N.W.	5 3	The "John" was lying alongside the "Tairoa" transhipping wool when, owing to the swell, she bumped the latter, denting two plates, starting two rivets, while the "John" sustained damage to her house and the tank on top	V. Geo. Summers.
"	John, s.s., 25 years	Sloop	134	13	..	Wool, 140 tons..	House and tank damaged	..	Colville St., Hauraki Gulf	N.E.	Light ..	Owing to vessel rolling heavily on voyage to Tauranga the cargo shifted, carrying away port bulwarks and part of centre-board above deck, and on everything being made secure vessel returned to Auckland	John Harwick.
"	Rangi, sail, 19 years	F. and A.	89	5	..	Iron girders, 120 tons	Port bulwarks and centreboard carried away; £60 damage	..	Auckland Harbour ..	..	Calm ..	After leaving slip, and on proceeding down harbour, vessel's propeller struck submerged object, carrying away one blade of propeller	H. Anderson.
"	Hikurangi, s.s., 35 years	Schooner	163	13	..	..	Propeller-blade lost; £100 damage	..	New Plymouth	N.W.	Light ..	When berthing at wharf propeller struck some submerged object, and on examination it was found that the tip of one blade had been broken	I. Corbett
Mar 9	Westmoreland, s.s. 7 years	Schooner	6,099	80	..	General, 2,000 tons	Propeller - blade broken	..	Head New River, N.Z.	S.W.	Fresh ..	When entering river vessel grounded on inner spit, which is extending considerably from position shown on chart; but vessel was eventually worked off, with no damage to cargo, but light straining to vessel	G. T. Deith.
"	Kotare, s.s., 20 years	F. and A.	83	10	..	Timber ..	Grounded	..	Patea River	S.E.	Light ..	Whilst proceeding down river vessel took ground, owing to silt after south-easterly gale and fresh, and on vessel swinging round she touched bank, damaging rudder	W. E. Mumb.
"	Hawera, s.s., 12 years	Ketch	100	10	..	Cheese, 100 tons	Grounded	..	Warkworth River	..	..	When going down river vessel ran into fog and grounded on mudbank off Kerro Point, and on backing off she touched the opposite bank, breaking rudder-stock	A. McKinnon.
"	Daphne, s.s., 17 years	Schooner	100	12	13	General, 15 tons	Grounded	..					B. Burk.