

RETURN OF WRECKS AND CASUALTIES TO SHIPPING REPORTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT FROM THE 1ST APRIL, 1925, TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1926.

Date of Casualty.	Vessel's Name, Age, and Class.	Rig.	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.		
1925.													
Feb. 17	Aroha, o.e.v., 10 years	..	6	2	18	Nil ..	Collision ..	Nil	Bay of Islands	..	Calm	The Court held that the "Knoxie" was guilty of breach of articles 21 to 24 of regulations preventing collisions at sea, in that, being the overtaking vessel, she should have kept out of the way of the overtaken launch "Aroha," but she went across bow of the "Aroha," with which she was brought into collision. The Court ordered that the master of the "Knoxie" pay £30 towards the costs of the inquiry	Otto R. Newmann.
Mar. 2	Opawa, motor, 29 years	Ketch ..	54	9	..	General, 40 tons	Engine trouble; £250	Nil	Cook Strait	..	S.W.	On passage from Wellington to Blenheim the engine broke down, necessitating vessel being towed to anchorage by the "Echo"	A. E. Fuller.
April 3	Glenelg, s.s., 47 years	F. and A.	156	12	..	..	Collision; £75 damage	..	Auckland	..	Calm	Whilst the "Glenelg" was backing out from the wharf she fouled the "Huanui," damaging the latter's mizzen boom but doing no damage to herself	W. J. Paine.
"	Kaimai, s.s., 1 year	Schooner	784	25	..	Ballast	Bent piston-rod ..	..	Between Wellington and Grey mouth	..	S.S.W.	The high-pressure piston-rod became bent, but was replaced by a spare one, thus enabling the vessel to proceed on her voyage	T. C. Thomsen.
"	Rimu, sail, 30 years	Ketch ..	21	3	..	Shell sand, 80 tons	Stranded; £15 damage	..	Auckland	..	S.	While riding an anchor in Kiriti Bay the anchor-chain parted, causing the vessel to go ashore on the beach	A. E. Chrishp.
"	Waverley, s.s., 42 years	Steamer	93	10	..	Frozen meat, 50 tons	Struck submerged object; £200 damage	..	Patea	..	W.	Owing to insufficient water when leaving Patea, vessel bumped heavily, lost steerage way, and slewed round, striking a submerged object, starting a leak in the forepeak	J. McKinnon.
"	Suffolk, s.s., 23 years	Schooner	4,529	104	..	General, 1,700 tons	Grounded, slight damage	..	Otago Harbour	..	Calm	Owing to a fog coming down suddenly, shutting out all aids to navigation, the vessel sheered and grounded on port side of channel, which she floated off next day, when it was found that the tips of two propeller-blades were bent slightly	C. Matthews.
"	Alma, aux., 23 years	Schooner	21	5	..	Timber, 47,000 ft.	Stranding; £70 damage	..	Opotiki	..	Calm	After crossing the bar inwards at top of high water vessel stranded in a lagoon, from which she was hove back into the river by the anchors, when it was found that the shoe and one rudder-gudgeon were broken off	E. McGerney.
May 1	Peregrine, s.s., 13 years	Steamer	162	4	100	..	Struck ferry tee; £10 damage	..	Auckland	..	West	The engineer failed to reverse engines for about thirty seconds after orders were given, resulting in vessel striking the ferry tee	M. Scott.
"	Hebburn, s.s., new	Schooner	2,487	31	..	General, 4,000 tons	Fire ..	..	Lat. 26° 52' S., long. 131° 45' W.	E.	5	Smoke was seen issuing from the bunker, and on investigation coal was found to be smouldering alongside the boiler-casing, but was extinguished without damage to ship or cargo	C. G. Neale.
"	Huanui, sail, 15 years	Ketch ..	99	5	..	Benzine, 2,000 cases	Collision; £60 damage	..	Auckland	..	..	When the "Kahu" was berthing she collided with the "Huanui" (which was berthed), breaking the latter's cathead, and damaging bulwark, two stanchions, and covering-board	T. C. Thomsen.
"	Kahu, s.s., 41 years	Ketch ..	82	9	..	Fish-brackets, 230	..	..	..	..	..	..	D. Middlemiss.