

RETURN OF WRECKS AND CASUALTIES TO SHIPPING REPORTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT FROM 1ST APRIL, 1935, TO 31ST MARCH, 1936—*Continued.*

Date of Casualty.	Vessel's Name, Class, and Age.	Rig.	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.		
1935. July 13	Binta, m.v.; 7 years ..	Schooner ..	33	Nil	6,170 tons gasoline, kerosene, &c.	Compressor of main engine damaged	Nil	Off Castle Point	W.N.W.	6	A heavy bang was heard in the engine-room, and, on investigation, a bolt of the cross-pin had broken and fallen, causing damage to the compressor, which was repaired at Wellington.	A. W. Norvalis.
" 15	Makura, s.s.; 27 years ..	Schooner ..	134	140	2,000 tons general	Port anchor and 50 fathoms cable lost	Nil	Rarotonga ..	E.	6-7	Whilst at anchor vessel encountered strong easterly wind, causing her to drag and lose anchor and 50 fathoms of cable.	D. Macdonald.
" 26	Huntingdon, s.s.; 17 years	Schooner ..	56	Nil	Nil ..	Main steam-pipe fractured	Nil	Lat. 47° 00' S.; Long. 153° 20' E.	S.W.	5	A small fire was discovered in the starboard forward oiler's main steam-pipe, the cause of which was the burn of the engine which was then blown.	H. E. Reilly.
Aug. 5	Lancia, o.e.v.; 15 years	Cutter ..	6	1	Nil ..	Collision ..	Nil	Auckland Harbour	N.W.	6	" Rover," and on passing between some yachts at anchor, the tow-rope caught the "Gladys," and dragged her against the barge, splitting the lip-boom of the "Gladys," for a distance of 5 ft.	E. C. Lannam.
" 6	Gladys yacht .. Motu, m.v.; 15 years ..	Schooner ..	109	Nil	50 tons general	Damaged starboard propeller	Nil	Avanui River	N.W.	9	Whilst the vessel was proceeding down the river, which was in flood, the starboard propeller fouled an unseen sunken log and was damaged.	H. K. Allen. F. G. Shirley.
" 15	Breeze, m.v.; 2 years ..	..	15	Nil	200 tons general	Collision ..	Nil	Off Paeroa (near Timaru)	..	Calm	The Court found that the collision was due to the "Bessie," crossing ahead of the "Breeze," owing to lack of knowledge of regulations by the person steering the "Bessie," and recommended that a copy of regulations be supplied free of charge to each licensee on registration of fishing-boat, and that persons in charge of launches be required to have working knowledge of regulations, and ordered the owner of "Bessie" to pay £17 12s. 6d. towards costs of inquiry.	Robert T. Stewart.
" 16	Bessie, fishing-boat .. Fordsdale, s.s.; 11 years	Schooner ..	7 65	Nil 1	Cases of petrol and fishing-gear 7,500 tons general	Damaged boats, ventilators, &c.	Nil	Lat. 35° 24' S.; Long. 170° 20' E.	W.	9	The vessel shipped a heavy sea on the starboard side, damaging weather boots, ventilators, and wrecking horse-box.	Ronald F. Latimer. Douglas Christie.
" 28	Natone, s.s.; 35 years ..	Cutter ..	50	Nil	Nil ..	Damaged hull, &c.	Nil	Wellington Patent Slip	..	Calm	The vessel was on the cradle, and, on being hauled up on the slip, a chock failed to hold, resulting in vessel being thrown on her side, breaking several planks and frames and damaging bulwarks.	H. W. Hargraves.
Sept. 5	Huanui, m.v.; 25 years	Ketch ..	56	Nil	120 tons coal ..	Stranded	Nil	Manawatu River	..	Calm	The vessel was drawing 7 ft., and, as there was only 6 ft. 6 in. of water in river-channel, she stranded on a sandbank, and, after being lightered, was refloated.	T. C. Thomsen.
" 9	Fairburn, m.v.; 29 years	Schooner ..	60	Nil	42,000 ft. timber	Broken crank-shaft	Nil	Cook Strait ..	S.	4-5	When vessel was one mile east of Jackson Head the engineer reported that crank-shaft of starboard engine was broken; vessel proceeded to Wellington to have a new shaft installed.	T. C. Sawyers.
" 20	Endeavour, aux.; 31 years	Ketch ..	42	Nil	100 tons cement	Port propeller lost	Nil	Auckland Harbour	..	Calm	When the vessel was going to anchor in Shoal Bay the port propeller was lost, but no damage was sustained by the vessel or her cargo.	W. E. Aspdren.
Oct. 5	Echo, m.v.; 30 years ..	Schooner ..	99	Nil	Approximately 56 tons general	Shackle carried away and damaged sail	Nil	Cook Strait ..	N.W.	8	During strong northerly gale and rough sea peak-halyard shackle carried away, the peak of the gaff penetrating the sail, necessitating vessel being towed to Wellington, where a new sail was placed on board.	P. A. Miles.