

RETURN OF WRECKS AND CASUALTIES TO SHIPPING REPORTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT FROM 1ST APRIL, 1936, TO 31ST MARCH, 1937—continued.

Date of Casualty.	Vessel's Name, Class, and Age.	Rig.	Register Tonnage.	Number of		Nature of		Number of Lives lost.	Place where Casualty occurred.	Wind.		Remarks, or Finding of Court of Inquiry.	Name of Master.
				Crew.	Passen- gers.	Cargo.	Casualty.			Direction.	Force.		
1936.													
Nov. 4	Thomas Currell, s.s.; 17 years	Ketch	84	10	..	..	Propeller fouled	..	Hauraki Gulf	..	Calm	While shooting gear, a strong ebb tide caused the gear to drift under vessel, fouling the propeller and rendering the vessel helpless; vessel towed to Auckland	J. Christofferson.
" 6	Rotorua, s.s.; 25 years ..	..	6,826	116	3	3,500 tons	Leaking	..	Gisborne	S.	3	It was found that six nuts on starboard side amidships, 4 ft. below load-line, were leaking considerably.	C. B. Lamb.
" 10	Kapuni, m.v.; 27 years ..	Schooner	95	10	..	Small quantity	Stranded	..	Cook Strait, off Terawhiti	..	Calm	During foggy weather, vessel stranded on a rock off Terawhiti and held for about an hour, eventually coming off astern; apparently no damage to vessel	W. McKinnon.
Dec. 15 (approx.)	Ramsay, s.s.; 7 years ..	Schooner	2,993	35	..	6,600 tons slag	Leaking rivets	..	"Chops," English Channel	S.W.	8-9	Vessel encountered fierce south-west gale with high, dangerous cross-sea and shipped heavy water fore and aft, causing her to roll and strain heavily; leaky rivets in Nos. 1 and 2 holds	W. S. Wickman.
Dec. 24	Waikouaiti, s.s.; 23 years	Fore and aft	2,379	43	..	General	Stranded	..	Otago Harbour	E.N.E.	2	Strong ebb tide caught the vessel on starboard bow causing her to sheer to port, with the result that the vessel grounded; vessel came off on the first of the flood tide with assistance of a tug; apparently no damage	J. Bruce.
1937.													
Jan. 1	Westmoor, m.v.; 12 years	Schooner	2,638	28	..	6,925 tons slag	Leaking rivets	..	Lat. 38° 42' N.; Long. 26° 55' W.; Atlantic Ocean	S.W.	7	Six rivets were found to have been started owing to vessel straining during heavy weather; a cement-box was placed over the rivets to stop leaking	W. A. Scott.
" 6	Remuera, s.s.; 25 years	Schooner	7,246	123	140	5,800 tons	Engine trouble	..	Lat. 21° 40' S.; Long. 123° 40' W.	E.N.E.	3	Starboard H.P. junk-pins and pistons fractured and piston-rod bent; no other damage to ship or cargo	F. W. Robinson.
" 9	Esme, m.v.; 29 years ..	Cuttler	16	4	..	60 tons shingle..	Collision	..	Auckland Harbour	N.W.	1	The collision could have been avoided if the "Lancia" had gone to starboard instead of to port; slight damage to the "Esme"; no damage to the "Lancia"	E. J. Grogan.
" 14	Lancia, m.v.; 16 years..	Cuttler	6	2	..	..	..	..	Auckland Harbour	E.N.E.	9	Owing to rough weather, the vessel anchored in the stream for the night; when heaving up anchor next morning it was found that the end link to anchor shackle had parted	E. C. Lammam.
" 14	Taranaki, m.v.; 8 years	Schooner	5,140	63	1	600 tons	Lost anchor	..	Auckland Harbour	E.N.E.	9	It was found that one blade of the propeller had broken off; cause unknown	S. Oswald.
" 14	Canadian Highlander, s.s.; 17 years	Schooner	3,260	34	..	3,000 tons	Lost propeller blade	..	15° 17' S.; 127° 21' W.; Pacific Ocean	S.E.	4	The Court found that the casualty was caused through the vessel encountering a gale of unusual severity after she had rounded Cape Colville, and that the casualty and resulting loss of life was not contributed to by the wrongful act or default of the Master or any of his crew or of the owners; no order was made as to costs	S. F. Cameron.
" 14	Rangi, sail; 37 years ..	Schooner	86	6	..	90 tons logs	Capsized, total loss	..	Between Rakino Island and Whangaparaoa Peninsula	S.E.	8-9	When entering the river a strong set was encountered and the vessel's head could not be maintained, with the result that she stranded on the bar and sustained severe straining	P. J. Petersen.
" 23	Huanui, m.v.; 27 years ..	Aux. ketch	55	6	..	111 tons coal	Stranded	..	Manawatu River bar	W.	5-6	It was found that the crank-shaft had broken; cause unknown	T. C. Thomsen.
" 28	Wakamui, m.v.; 32 years	Schooner	29	5	..	50 tons	Broken crank-shaft	..	1½ miles S. of Rakino Island, N.Z.	..	Calm	Owing to a leaky piston, the port engine was stopped and was worked as necessary	R. A. Roff.
" 31	Wanganella, m.v.; 6 years	Schooner	5,625	146	324	2,400 tons	Leaky piston	..	Tasman Sea	E.	4		G. B. Bates.