No. 17.—RETURN of VESSELS SURVEYED for SEAWORTHINESS—continued.

Date . of Survey.	Name of Vessel.	Where surveyed.	Nature of Casualty, &c.		
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1908. Mar. 12, 26	S.s. Dorset	Dunedin	It was reported that this vessel, which was lying at Dunedin wharf loaded and ready for sea, was leaking badly. On examination it was found that the vessel's own pumps were able to overtake the pumping-out of all the water she was making. It was however, considered essential to dock the vessel, when it was found that all the seams in the hull were in a bad state. These were		
			all recaulked. A channel iron shoeing-piece was fitted on the keel at the bottom of the aperture where the keel had been fractured. A bad leak was noticed in the front seam of the starboard furnace, which was slack in the front plate. A thin liner was made and fitted to the defective seam, and the		
Mar. 23, 26	" Waitangi	Auckland	whole reriveted. Whilst this vessel was lying alongside the wharf, on the Hokianga River, a fire—supposed to have been caused by a spark from a lamp—started in the waste-locker in the engineroom, between the back of the main boiler and the engineroom, and burnt the waste-		
			locker, vice-bench, and wood flooring, and damaged all the lead and copper pipes. The damaged pipes were renewed. The main steam-pipe was disconnected, and, along with the auxiliary steam-pipes, was tested by hydraulic pressure. All the other parts which were damaged by the fire were renewed.		

No. 18.—Return showing the Revenue from the Inspection of Machinery Department (including the Examination of Marine Engineers and Land-engine Drivers, and the Amount earned by the Survey of Steamers and Sailing-ships), also the Ordinary Expenditure of the Inspection of Machinery Department (including the Examination of Marine Engineers and Land-engine Drivers and Survey of Steamers and Sailing-ships), during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1908.

Receipts.	£	я.	đ.	Expenditure.		£ s. d.
Inspection of boilers and machinery (less				Salaries		$6,743\ 12\ 9$
refunds)	6,926	15	6			4 12 0
Certificates of land engine drivers (less re-	·			Alterations and repairs to offices		4 19 6
funds)	611	10	6	Furniture and additions to offices		42 6 9
Survey of steamers (including auxiliary-				Gas		10 3 6
powered vessels)	1,973	15	0	Postage and telegrams		266 10 11
Survey of sailing-ships			0	Rent, cleaning offices, and fuel		268 4 11
Survey of vessels for seaworthiness	219	0	0	Telephone rents		47 5 5
Examination of marine engineers (less re-				Travelling allowances and expenses		2,782 1 1
funds)	247	10	0	Contingencies		168 8 0
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