

No. 5.—RETURN of ACCIDENTS (not Fatal) in connection with Machinery—*continued*.

Name and Address of Owner.	Description of Machinery.	Name and Age of Person Injured.	Date and Nature of Accident.	Cause of Accident, and Remarks.
J. K. Jameson, Invercargill	Steam-engine ..	E. G. Pedler ; 16 years	28th October, 1907 : crushed forefinger of right hand	Pedler had started the engine slowly, and he was reaching over the crosshead to clean a particular part, when his finger was caught by the crosshead of the engine, and crushed by it.
Waitemata Sawmill Company, Auckland	Gang-saw ..	A. Dowsing ; 23 years	31st October, 1907 : thumb crushed	Dowsing released hold of the flitch of wood, when it was immediately jerked back by the saw, and it fell on his thumb, crushing it.
P. D. Greenhough, Auckland	Sewing-machine	M a r g a r e t Wright ; 16 years	11th November, 1907 : half of scalp torn off	Wright got underneath the machine to pick up something she had dropped. Her hair was caught by the main shaft, which runs underneath the machine, while it was in motion, tearing half of her scalp off.
Empire Box-making Company (Limited), Wellington	Box-making machine	Louisa Clarke ; 17 years	13th November, 1907 : first finger of left hand crushed	Clarke inadvertently put her finger on the anvil of the machine while it was in motion.
Herbert Gaby, Wellington	Circular saw ..	Arthur Pearson ; 16 years	14th November, 1907 : top of left thumb cut off	While Pearson was sawing a piece of angle-iron, and pressing the iron against the saw, he allowed his thumb to slip under the saw.
City Corporation, Auckland	Stop-valve on main steam-pipe	Fred. Carter ; 30 years	22nd November, 1907 : scalded on legs	Carter was employed by the contractors, who had been fitting up the machinery at the destructor power-house, in Auckland, for the City Corporation. He went to turn the steam on at the main stop-valve on the destructor boiler, which is connected to another boiler, recently installed, by a range of 6 in. piping. There was evidently some water in the piping from condensation having taken place, probably from the steam left in the range of piping when used on a previous occasion, or from the stop-valve leaking a little. As soon as Carter commenced to open the steam stop-valve, the steam, coming suddenly into contact with the water in the piping, caused water-hammer action to be set up. The shock due to the vibration set up by this action was the cause of the stop-valve bursting, and injury to Carter.
James Craig and Co., Oamaru	Circular saw ..	David Craig ; 18 years	9th December, 1907 : three fingers cut	Craig, after having used the saw, lay down on the saw-bench. On getting up again he allowed his fingers to come in contact with the saw.
Packer and Jones, Christchurch	Planing-machine	Jas. Halligan ; 24 years	11th December, 1907 : three fingers of right hand cut off	While planing a piece of timber, Halligan allowed his hand to be drawn into the machine, and his fingers came in contact with the knives of the cutters in motion.
W. Ross and Son (Limited), Foxton	Tow-making machine	Helen A. B. Carroll ; 15 years	11th December, 1907 : lost right arm	Carroll was feeding the machine, when, by some mishap, her hand got under the chain of the machine. It was drawn beneath the cog-wheels, lacerating and pulp-ing the flesh, and crushing the bones right up to the elbow.