

Appendix 4.2: Work-Related Injuries and Deaths (non-drowning)

No	Date of occurrence	Description	Source
1	1732.08.15 EIC	'Will. King the caulkers mate died, he came up very hot from his work & took a great draught of water, & died soon after'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/329A <i>Richmond</i>
2	1735.07.28 EIC	'At 4 o'clock this morning (finding my self much better) went in the pinnace from the ship at Wampo for Canton and got there at 8 o'clock. The weather violent hath that when the pinnace returnd to the ship (wch was at 4 o'clock in the afternoon two of ye people lay speechless and the others quite spent with the heat, one of the men recovered after he had lain 4 days ill of a fever but the other in porteen died after he had been on board about 2 hours. Since which misfortune have given orders that not any of the people shall be exposed to the sun from the hour of 10 AM till 4 PM and that the pinnace coming or going to town either take the evening or very early in the morning it being about 12 miles and are generally near 4 hours in coming or going if the tide does not serve'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/313E <i>London</i>
3	1737.09.28 DAC	Sailor Andris Nilsen Frederickstadt had the misfortune this morning of falling from the main mast into the hold and was seriously injured. He died in the night and was buried the next morning.	RAC: Ask 998 pp. 70v-71r <i>Slesvig</i>
4	1749.08.27 EIC	'Richard Campble Ships Cook having a mortification in his leg had it cut off'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/626D <i>Somerset</i>
5	1751.08.31 DAC	Boatman Lars Lesøe had the misfortune this day to have three fingers chopped off his left hand.	RAC: Ask 895 p. 52r <i>Dronningen af Danmark</i>
6	1753.09.04 EIC	On September 15, 'At 7 PM Departed this Life James McCawle Seaman, occasioned by accidentally scalding himself with Pitch about 9 days ago, and Buried him the same Night'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/397B, 1753.09.15 <i>Suffolk</i>
7	1755.07.20 EIC	'John Brace Seaman, being sent up to clear ye Flag a ye Bankshall unfortunately fell down & broke his arm'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/578F <i>Drake</i>
8	1755.08.21 EIC	'AM Frensis Roberts Seaman, fell into the Fore Hold, Fractured his skull & dyed on the Spott . . . PM Buried the Deceas'd on Danes Island'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/578F <i>Drake</i>
9	1756.12.20 EIC	'one of the <i>Houghtons</i> people fell down our main hatchway and fractur'd his skull of which he dyed in the morning'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/458A <i>Stormont</i>

10	1756.12.20 EIC	'Matthew Mills seaman fell down the <i>Stormont's</i> main hatchway & died this morning'. He was buried the next day on French Island.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/438H <i>Houghton</i>
11	1757.10.01 DAC	At 8:30 pm, sailor Senning Hansen fell carelessly into the cargo hold and was seriously injured. He died at 11 p.m. on October 3 and was buried the next day on Danes Island.	RAC: Ask 902 p. 58r-v, Ask 1027 pp. 52v-53r
12	1761.08.09 EIC	'Cornelias Anderson seaman being in liquor fell down a Hill on French Island and was kill'd on ye spott buried his body on ditto'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/98B <i>Neptune</i>
13	1767.10.09 EIC	At 10 p.m., 'Oles Simmondson sail maker fell down the fore Hatchway, & fractr'd his skull & left leg'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/141D <i>Northumberland</i>
14	1767.10.24 EIC	'AM the Mandarin came onb ^d and Measured the ship. Saluted him with 9 guns, on saluting the Mandarin when he left the ships Will ^m Downing seaman was blown off one of the guns and was seen no more'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/557B <i>British King</i>
15	1769.01.21 EIC	'At 9 AM the longboat came along side with water Robert Ballard gunner being officer in her unfortunatly shott himself dead on the spott in loading a fowling piece which went off by accident. At 6 PM Interd the corps of the decesad on Danes Island'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/479A <i>Sea Horse</i>
16	1770.09.19 DAC	Sailor Johannes Riemand was killed this day when he was busy painting the DAC ship <i>Frederiksborg Slott</i> . A neighboring EIC ship <i>Middlesex</i> was firing salutes in honor of some visiting supercargos, when the river current caused the ships swerve putting the cannon squarely in line with Riemand. His face was blown off, and he died instantly.	RAC: Ask 924 pp. 40r-v, 49r Ask 1050 p. 51r <i>Frederiksborg Slott</i>
17	1770.10.15 DAC	Sailor Thomas Pedersen fell into the hold and was seriously injured, with little hope of surviving. He died at 9 p.m. and was buried the next day on Danes Island.	RAC: Ask 924 p. 47r, Ask 1050 pp. 51r, 52v <i>Frederiksborg Slott</i>
18	1771.12.24 EIC	'at 4 PM getting the fore topsail yard across, the top rope broke by which accident Andrew Maddison seaman was unfortunatly knock'd out of the tip, and fell upon the Forecastle. He died a one OClock in the morning'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/126C <i>Ankerwyke</i>
19	1777.10.27 EIC	'At 4 PM James Cummings Seaman unfortunatly fell from the Collar of the Main stay, Broke his left Arm & bruis'd himself in many parts of His Body'. He died in the next day and his body was interred on shore.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/466C <i>Resolution</i>
20	1777.12.14 EIC	'Charles Bell seaman fell from the upper Deck to the Hold & broke his leg'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/458D <i>Stormont</i>

21	1778.11.10 SOIC	Petter Dahl had the misfortune today to fall into the jolly boat and break his right femur.	GMM: SMG 17993 <i>Finland</i>
22	1788.12.20 EIC	'John Jacobson fell down the Scuttle from the Main deck & fractured his legg'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/351A <i>Boddam</i>
23	1783.12.17 EIC	'In running up, pass'd one of the Imperial Ships, I requested him to put his Helm a starboard. But by a mistake of the man that went to the wheel, he put it a port & the ship immediately sheer'd over upon us so that the boom iron of our nr. yd. [near? yard] caught her Fore Top Mast stay & carried away the mast & unfortunately kill'd a man'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/293N <i>Walpole</i>
24	1784.10.29 EIC	'At 11 AM, Attowlah Tindal [a Lascar], assisting on board the <i>Bellona</i> , was struck by a piece of timber on the head, and so badly wounded that he died in a few minutes, the Lascars buried him on Danes Isl.'	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/390-I <i>Hawke</i>
25	1788.02.04 EIC	'recd the sheet anchor from the shore in stowing of which John Brocher boatswain's mate was unfortunately killed'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/457E <i>Locko</i>
26	1794.01.23 EIC	While at Macao 'at 11 AM John Smith seaman fell from the Fore Top Gallant Yard down on the Fore Castle broke his thigh in two places & his leg in one place & otherwise much bruised & hurt'. He died on January 26, and was buried at sea the next day.	L/MAR/B/450-I <i>Middlesex</i>
27	1797.04.10 EIC	'AM fell from the Cross Jack Yard Jn. [John] Babtist seaman & was unfortunately killed'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/107C <i>Taunton Castle</i>
28	1797.12.08 EIC	'AM departed this life Wm Walker seaman unfortunately killed by a musket going off in his hand as putting it aft in a boat & lodging the contents in his body. PM interred the remains on Danes Island'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/172L <i>Glatton</i>
29	1798.01.07 EIC	'fell from the fore topsail Yard Jn. [John] Jennings seaman & was unfortunately kill'd upon the spot'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/267B <i>Hindostan</i>
30	1798.02.10 EIC	'At 5 PM Alexander Crawford Quarter master fell down into the main hold and the surgeon reports he has broke his back'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/182C <i>Warley</i>
31	1798.01.06 EIC	'Frederick Dryson fell from the main mast & unfortunately broke his leg'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/420G <i>Barwell</i>
32	1803.11.18 EIC	'AM fell from ye Main Top Cha. [Charles] Long Seaman, who was unfortunately killed. PM sent an Officer about 2 or 3 Miles below ye Ships, & committed his Body to ye Deep'. The ship was anchored at the Second Bar.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/341F <i>Earl of Abergavenny</i>

33	1803.12.04 EIC	'At 5 PM W ^m Thomson Seaman fell down ye fore Hatchway & broke his arm'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/341F <i>Earl of Abergavenny</i>
34	1813.12.20 EIC	A sailor had his hand crushed when cannons were being moved and had it amputated.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/229V <i>Essex</i>
35	1834.03.05 EIC	'At 2:30 PM James Patrick (seaman) fell from the main yard and broke his back'.	BL: IOR L/MAR/B/102G <i>Elizabeth</i>