

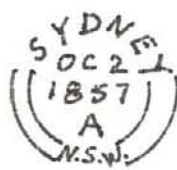
1857



ORIGINATING OFFICE BACKSTAMP



OBLITERATOR



TRANSIT STAMP



ARRIVAL STAMP



NINTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 10)

E & A SHIPS:

"SIMLA"

SYDNEY 11 OCT. '57
MELBOURNE 14-16 OCT.
KGS 21-22 OCT.
GALLE 4-6 NOV.
ADEN 12 NOV.
SUEZ 20 NOV.

"TAMAR"

ALEXANDRIA 27 NOV. '57
MALTA 30 NOV.
SOUTHAMPTON 9 DEC.

OVERLAND

1857

CASTLEMAINE
OC 13
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VICTORIA



BARRED NUMERAL OBLITERATOR
IN USE 1856-1906

MELBOURNE
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1857

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1857

ARRIVAL/TRANSIT
BACKSTAMP

NINTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MDLNAR NID)

E + A SHIPS:

SIMLA

SYDNEY 11 OCTOBER 1857
MELBOURNE 14-16 OCTOBER
K. G. SOUND 21-22 OCTOBER
GALLE 4-6 NOVEMBER
ADEN 12 NOVEMBER
SUEZ 20 NOVEMBER

TAMAR

ALEXANDRIA 27 NOV. '57
MALTA 30 NOV.
SOUTHAMPTON 9 DECEMBER

OVERLAND

POSTAL RATE WAS 6d PER 1/2 OUNCE MELBOURNE TO UNITED KINGDOM

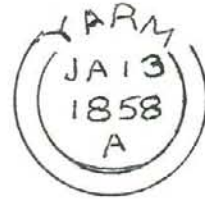
1857



BARRED OVAL CANCEL
FOR SYDNEY-IN USE 1850-57



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BACKSTAMP



ARRIVAL BACKSTAMP



TENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 11)

CITY OF SYDNEY

SYDNEY 11 NOV. 1857
MELBOURNE 15 NOV.
K.G.S.
GALLÉ 12 DEC.
ADEN
SUEZ 27 DEC.

TEVIOT

ALEXANDRIA 29 DEC. '57
MALTA 2 JAN 1858
SOUTHAMPTON 12 JAN. '58

OVERLAND

(MAILS TO GPO 0510 12 JAN.)

THIS COVER WAS CARRIED ON THE ^{ONLY} TRIP MADE BY THE CITY OF SYDNEY UNDER THE BRITISH MAIL CONTRACT. THE E.A. SHIP EUROPEAN HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE NOVEMBER HOMEWARD TRIP, BUT UPON ARRIVAL FROM SUEZ ON 18 OCTOBER WAS LAID UP FOR ENGINE REPAIRS. WITH NO BACKUP E.A. SHIP AVAILABLE THE E.A. CHARTERED THE CITY OF SYDNEY FROM THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, AT A COST OF £8,800. UNFORTUNATELY FOR THE E.A. THE MAILS WERE 5 DAYS LATE ARRIVING IN THE U.K. THIS RESULTED IN A PENALTY OF £750 BEING IMPOSED.

THE POSTAL RATE OF 6d PER 1/2 OZ FOR MAIL TO THE UK WAS MET BY THE 6d DARK OLIVE-GREY ADHESIVE S.G. # 121.



990

2400T
6320

990 C A - cover to GB "Via Marseilles" with very fine Imperf Diadem 1/- rosy vermilion with Error of Watermark '8' SG 127a just tied by bars cancel of Sydney (superb b/s), the stamp has been lifted and hinged in place. (Page 54.10) 400

TENTH HOMEWARD MAILS

E & A "CITY OF SYDNEY"

SYDNEY 11-11-57
MELBOURNE 11-15-57
KGS
GALLE 12-12-57
ADEN
SUER 12-27-57

E & A "TEVIOT"

ALEXANDRIA 12-29-57
MALTA 1-2-58 →
SOUTHAMPTON 1-12-58

E & A "VANGUARD"

MALTA 1-3-58
MARSEILLES 1-6-58



Lot 239

239 C A 1858 part-entire to GB (arrival b/s) "pMail Steamer via Marseilles" with scarce franking of Diadem Imperf 1/- brownish red two very fine singles (rich shade, each with good to large margins but slightly overlapped) struck with bars cancel of Sydney. (Page 51.2) 2400T

1857



SYDNEY OBLITERATOR
IN USE 1856-1857



ORIGINATING OFFICE
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ARRIVAL
BACKSTAMP



ELEVENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 12)

E+A SHIPS:

"EUROPEAN"

SYDNEY	11 DEC. '57
MELBOURNE	16 DEC.
KGS	23 DEC.
GALLE	9 JAN. '58
ADEN	18 JAN.
SUEZ	24 JAN. @ 1700

"TAMAR"

ALEXANDRIA	26 JAN. '58
MALTA	29 JAN.
SOUTHAMPTON	6 FEB. @ 1348
L MAILS TO G.P.O. LONDON @ 1620	

OVERLAND →

POSTAL RATE: 6d PER HALF OUNCE

1858



MELBOURNE OBLITERATOR
IN USE 1856-1906



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BACKSTAMP



TWELFTH HOMEWARD VOYAGE (MOLNAR N13)

E+A "COLUMBIAN"

SYDNEY 13 JAN 1858
→ MELBOURNE 17 JAN.
K.G.S.
GALLE 12 FEB. '58
ADEN
SUEZ 27 FEB.

E+A "TEVIOT"

ALEXANDRIA 28 FEB '58
MALTA 3/4 MARCH
SOUTHAMPTON 15 MARCH

E+A "WYE"

MALTA 4 MARCH
MARSEILLES 7 MARCH

POSTAL RATE - 6d PER 1/2 OZ - THIS IS A DOUBLE RATE LETTER

1858

PORT MACQUARIE
JA 21
1858
NSW

SYDNEY
JA 28
1858
NSW

FF
EDINBURGH
AP 7
58



THIRTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 14)

E & A SHIPS:

SIMLA

SYDNEY 11 FEBRUARY 1858
 MELBOURNE 13-16 FEB.
 K.G. SOUND 21-23 FEB.
 GALLE 7-9 MARCH
 ADEN 16-17 MAR.
 SUEZ 24 - MAR

TAMAR

ALEXANDRIA 25 MAR.
 MALTA 28 MAR.
 SOUTHAMPTON 6 APRIL 1858
 MAILS TO GPO AT 1810

OVERLAND

THIS RUN WAS THE LAST ONE MADE BY "SIMLA" AS AN E & A SHIP.
 ON 22 MARCH BETWEEN ADEN AND SUEZ HAD TO STOP HER ENGINES
 AND HEAVE TO. ON EXAMINATION IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE SCREW
 WAS ADRIFT FROM THE SHAFT. SHE WORKED HER WAY INTO PORT AND
 ARRIVED AT 6800 ON 24 MAR. AFTER REPAIRS "SIMLA" RETURNED TO P.O.

1858



DATED BACKSTAMP

BARRED NUMERAL
OBLITERATOR ASSIGNED
TO MELBOURNE 1856-1906

LONDON ARRIVAL



FOURTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 15)

E. + A. "EMEU"

SYDNEY 11 MARCH 1858
MELBOURNE 17 MAR.
K.G.S. 23 MAR.
GALLE 8 APR.
ADEN 17 APR.
SUEZ 23 APR.

P. + O. "BENARES"

ALEXANDRIA 27 APR. '58
MALTA 1 MAY
GIBRALTAR 6 MAY
SOUTHAMPTON 11 MAY



(MAILS TO GPO 0045HRS 12 MAY 1858)

THE MAILS BROUGHT BY "EMEU" ARRIVED AT ALEXANDRIA AT 2030 HRS. ON 25 APR. MAILS FROM INDIA ARRIVED ALEX. AT 1700 HRS. 26 MAY. THE E. + A. PACKET SCHEDULED TO CARRY MAILS TO THE UK WAS NOT AT ALEXANDRIA. THE CONSUL THEN EXERCISED HIS POWERS AND SENT BOTH MAILS TO THE UK BY P.O. "BENARES"

THE POSTAL RATE OF 6d PER 1/2 OZ PAID BY SG A.H.H.



"EMEU"



E&A "Emeu"

Sydney	11.3.58
Melbourne	17.3.58
K.G.S.	23.3.58
Galle	8.4.58
Aden	17.4.58
Suez	23.4.58

E&A "Emeu"

P&O "Benares"

Alexandria	27.4.58
Malta	1.5.58
Gibraltar	6.5.58
Southampton	11.5.58
Mails to GPO	
0045 hrs.	12.5.58

The European & Australian Royal Mail Coy held the postal contract but they broke it by failing to have a steamer available for the Alexandria to Southampton sector.

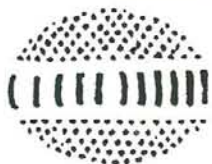
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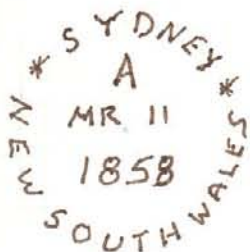
COULD BE MOUNTED AND SHOWN BY R G KIRK.



1858



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LONDON TRANSIT



ARRIVAL COS
BACKSTAMP



FOURTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MDLNAR N 15)

ETA "EMEU"

SYDNEY	11 MAR
MELBOURNE	17 MAR
KGS	23 MAR
GALLE	8 APR
ADEN	17 APR
SUEZ	23 APR

P+O "BENARES"

ALEXANDRIA	27 APR.
MALTA	1 MAY
GIBRALTAR	6 MAY
SOUTHAMPTON	11 MAY
	At 1900

1858



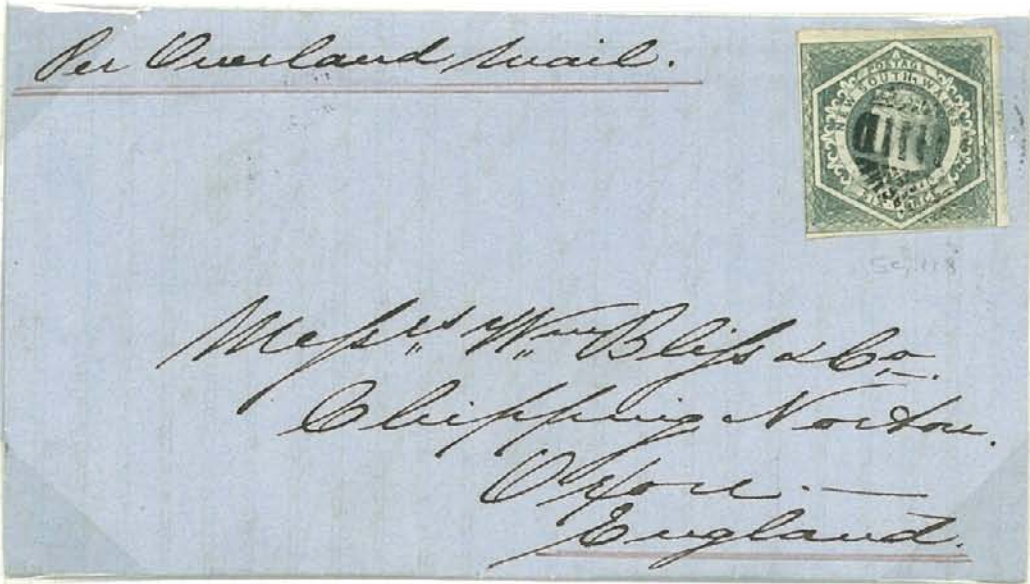
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REVERSE



SYDNEY OBLITERATOR
IN USE 1856-1858



ARRIVAL MARKING
ON REVERSE



FIFTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N16)

E+A "VICTORIA"

SYDNEY 11 APRIL 1858
MELBOURNE 16 APR.
K.G.S.
GALLE 27 MAY
ADEN 2 JUNE
SUEZ 6 JUNE

E+A "CAMBRIA"

ALEXANDRIA 8 JUNE 1858
MALTA 11 JUNE
SOUTHAMPTON 20 JUNE

POSTAL RATE SYDNEY TO U/K 6d PER 1/2 OUNCE. FRANKING BY S.G. 7118

1858

THE EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY

S.S. European, Sydney to Suez via Galle

S.S. Tiviot, Alexandria to Southampton

VANDERBILT EUROPEAN LINE

S.S. Vanderbilt, Southampton to New York

After the Crimean War, the British authorities decided to resume a contract mail service, instead of sending mail by sailing packets as formerly. P. & O. and E. & A. bid, with E. & A. winning the contract. They were not successful in maintaining a schedule, and their contract lasted only from February 1857 to March 1859.

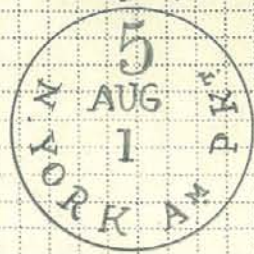


May 16, 1858. Letter posted at Melbourne (backstamp) at the rate to U.S. by British Mail via Southampton, effective from Jan. '57 to Jan. '68 which was equivalent to 33¢ U.S. At Victoria the 1sh.2d. in stamps paid all but the U.S. Inland, viz., 1/- (24¢) + 2d. (4¢) = 28¢.

May 11. The S.S. European left Sydney on the 16th homeward mails of the E. & A. Line. She departed Melbourne May 16, Galle June 9 and arrived Suez June 30 (Her scheduled arrival date was June 22).

July 2. S.S. Tiviot of the E. & A. Line departed Alexandria and arrived at Southampton July 18. She arrived on only one engine, the other having broken down before reaching Alexandria on the passage out.

July 19. Transit at London. The Exchange Office credited the U.S. with 16¢ transatlantic Sea (8¢ as restated in red) as passage to N.Y. was to be by American Packet.



August 1. Arrived N.Y. Steamship Vanderbilt, Lafavre, Havre via Southampton July 22, with mdse. and passengers to D. Torrance. Arrived off the Battery 6:50 A.M. 5¢ due to total the 33¢ rate from Australia.

Times (London), July 7, 1858

AUSTRALIA

(BY SUBMARINE AND BRITISH TELEGRAPH)

We have received the following despatch from Malta, dated this morning:-

"The Tiviot has just arrived from Alexandria, with the Australian mails, bringing the following intelligence:-

"ALEXANDRIA, JULY 2

"The European has arrived bringing Australian mails and gold valued at 138,1061.

"Her dates of intelligence are - Sydney May 11; Melbourne 16; Ceylon June 9. The March mail arrived out at Melbourne on the 13th."

Times (London), July 19, 1858.

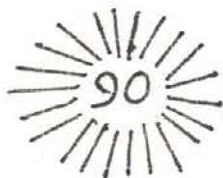
THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE. - Great complaints continue to be made with respect to the mail service, and the colonists are beginning to seriously contemplate the necessity of establishing an independent line. The Australian Steam Navigation Co., whose vessel the City of Sydney, when taken up upon an emergency, creditably distinguished herself and on her return beat the European and Australian Company's vessel, have addressed offers to the Australian Governments expressing their readiness to convey the European mails monthly between Sydney and Pointe de Galle, calling at Melbourne, Kangaroo Island, and King George's Sound en route, whenever the cancelling of the existing contract shall leave the field open. This company is prepared to commence the service with their present steamers at once, but in the event of their offer being accepted they would provide themselves with new vessels as quickly as possible. The terms of their offer have not yet transpired. Of course to insure the completeness of the communication with England under this arrangement, it would be necessary for the home authorities to forward the outward mails to Ceylon and to take the return mails thence to England - Australian and New Zealand Gazette.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAILS. - The heavy portion of the mails from Australia, New Zealand, &c. in charge of Mr. Nash, of the General Post-office, and all sorted ready for immediate delivery, arrived at Southampton yesterday, at noon, by the Tiviot Steamship, Captain Woolward. This packet left Alexandria on the 2d. inst., and Malta at midnight on the 6th. The voyage has been performed with only one engine, the other having broken down before reaching Alexandria on the passage out. The Tiviot has had fine weather throughout with easterly winds through the Straits, and subsequently south-westerly winds.

1858



ORIGINATING
POST OFFICE
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OBLITERATOR
ASSIGNED TO
GRAFTON



TRANSIT
BACKSTAMP



ARRIVAL
BACKSTAMP



SIXTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N17)

E + A SHIPS:

"EUROPEAN"

SYDNEY 11 MAY '58
AT 1000

MELBOURNE 16 MAY

GALLE 9 JUNE

ADEN 25 JUNE

SUEZ 30 JUNE

"TEVIOT"

ALEXANDRIA 2 JULY '58
AT 1200

MALTA 6 JULY

SOUTHAMPTON 18 JULY
ARRIVED ON ONE ENGINE
AT 1345

MAILS TO GPO 1605

1858



ROBSON LOWE TYPE
C-6 OBLITERATOR
IN USE 1857-1858



ROBSON LOWE TYPE C-10
DATE STAMP - EARLIEST
ISSUED - 1858



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ARRIVAL



SEVENTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N18)

E + A SHIPS

"AUSTRALASIAN"

SYDNEY 11 JUNE 1858
MELBOURNE 14-16 JUNE
GALLE 10 JULY
ADEN 24 JULY
SUER 30 JULY

"CAMBRIA"

ALEXANDRIA 1 AUG. 1858
MALTA 5 AUG.
SOUTHAMPTON 14 AUG.
MAILS TO GPO AT 1300

1858

BEECHWORTH
JU-9
V 58
VICTORIA

ORIGINATING OFFICE
BACKSTAMP



KILLER ASSIGNED
TO BEECHWORTH

A
MELBOURNE
JU 11
58

MELBOURNE
TRANSIT

KILMARNOCK
A
AU 16
1858

KILMARNOCK
ARRIVAL



SEVENTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS. (MOLNAR NIB)

E + A SHIPS

"AUSTRALASIAN"

SYDNEY 11 JUNE 1858
MELBOURNE 14-16
GALATHEE 10 JULY
ADEN 24 JULY
SUZE 30 JULY 1858

"CAMBRIA"

ALEXANDRIA 1 AUGUST 1858
MALTA 5 AUGUST
SOUTHAMPTON 14 AUGUST 1858

MAILS TO G.P.O. AT 1300

POSTAL RATE 6d PER 1/2 OUNCE

1858

THE EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY

S.S. Emeu, Sydney to Suez via Ceylon 19th Homeward Mails
S.S. Teviot, Alexandria to Malta (Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.)
S.S. Wye, Malta to Marseilles (Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.)



SHIP LETT
 MELBOURNE
 1858

July 15, 1858. A letter to Birmingham endorsed: p "Emeu" RMS/ via Marseilles. Rates of 15 Jan. 1857, were 6d. per ½-oz. British Colonial rate plus 3d. per ¼-oz. if directed via Marseilles, through to the U.K. This letter weighed over ½-oz., but not over ¾-oz. It took double the British rate of 6d. x 2 = 1/- plus treble the French transit rate of 3d. x 3 = 9d., total 1 sh. 9d. Rate was made up of the 3d. lithographed, Issue of 1856; 6d. dull orange Issue of 1854 and 1/- blue, Issue of 1859. Stamps are cancelled by the barred numeral "1" of Melbourne.

July 15. Although backstamped "SHIP LETTER", this was a contract letter.

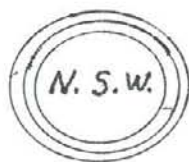
Steamships of the E. & A. Mail Company conveyed this letter:

<u>S.S. Emeu</u>		<u>S.S. Teviot</u>		<u>S.S. Wye</u>	
Sydney	Jul. 11	Alexandria	Aug. 26	Malta	Aug. 30
Melbourne	16	Malta	30	Marseilles	Sep. 4
Galle	Aug. 7				
Aden	18				
Suez	24.				



September 4 (sic). Birmingham arrival backstamp. Cds is mis-dated.

1858



SYDNEY
DUPLEX

IN USE
1858-1894



LONDON ARRIVAL
BACK STAMP



EIGHTEENTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MDLNAR N 19)

E + A SHIPS:

"EMEU"

SYDNEY 11 JULY 1858
MELBOURNE 16 JULY
KGS
GALLÉ 7 AUG.
ADEN 18 AUG.
SUEZ 24 AUG.

"TEVIOT"

ALEXANDRIA 26 AUG.
MALTA 30 AUG
SOUTHAMPTON 9 SEPT. 1858

(MAILS TO LONDON 6 PD 0540 10 SEPT.)

OVERLAND

POSTAL RATE: 6d PER HALF OUNCE.

1858



ORIGINATING OFFICE
DATE BACKSTAMP



OBTLERATOR



TRANSIT MARK
BACKSTAMP



TRANSIT MARK
BACKSTAMP



LONDON TRANSIT MARK

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LONDON MMS.
SHOWING TRANSIT
FEE OR B^d PAID



NEW YORK EXCHANGE OFFICE
ARRIVAL MARK "WINTER" TYPE
IN USE 7 MAR 1853 → 16 APRIL 1862
5¢ DUE FROM RECIPIENT

NINETEENTH HOMEWARD VOYAGE (MOLNAR N20)

E+A "COLUMBIAN"
SYDNEY 11 AUG 1858
→ MELBOURNE 18 AUG.
K.G.S.
GALLE 14 SEPT. '58
ADEN
SUEZ 3 OCT. '58

E+A "CAMBRIA"
ALEXANDRIA 5 OCT. 1858
MALTA 9 OCT.
SOUTHAMPTON 18 OCT. '58

HAVRE LINE
"S.S. FULTON"
HAVRE 19 OCT. 1858
→ SOUTHAMPTON 20 OCT.
NEW YORK 2 NOV. '58

POSTAL RATES: MELBOURNE TO U/K 6d PER 1/2 OUNCE
TRANSIT B^d = 16¢
ARRIVAL PORT TO DESTINATION UNDER 300 MILES 5¢

1858



BARRED NUMERAL
OBLITERATOR -
MELBOURNE
IN USE 1856-1906

ARRIVAL
BACKSTAMP



TWENTIETH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 21)

E & A SHIPS:

"EUROPEAN"

SYDNEY 11 SEPT. '58
→ MELBOURNE 16 SEPT.
K.G.S. 24 SEPT.
GALLE 7-10 OCT.
ADEN
SUEZ 27 OCT.

"TEVIOT"

ALEXANDRIA 28 OCT.
MALTA 1-2 NOV →
SOUTHAMPTON 12 NOV.

"WYE"

→ MALTA 2 NOV.
MARSEILLES 5 NOV.

POSTAL RATE: 6d PER HALF OUNCE. THIS IS A DOUBLE RATE COVER.

1858



ORIGINATING
P.O. BACKSTAMP



BARRED NUMERAL
OBLITERATOR
IN USE 1856-1906
AT MELBOURNE



LONDON
TRANSIT



ARRIVAL
BACKSTAMP



TWENTY SECOND HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N 23)

E+A "EMEU"

SYDNEY 11 NOV 58
MELBOURNE 16 NOV
GALLE 8 DEC
ADEN 17 DEC
SUEZ 21 DEC

P+O "PANTHER"

ALEXANDRIA 26 DEC 58
MALTA 30-31 DEC
MARSEILLE 2 JAN '59

15th November, 1858, envelope from Woodhouse, Burns & Co., Melbourne, to Glasgow, Scotland per "Emeu", bearing Perkins, Bacon 6d bright blue, four singles, tied by four strikes of Barred Numeral "1" of Melbourne, pre-paying combined double Ship Letter (1/- exceeding 1/2oz. but not exceeding 1oz.) and quadruple French (1/- exceeding 3/4oz. but not exceeding 1oz.) rates.

1858-59

THE EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY
S.S. Columbian, Melbourne to Suez 24th Northbound Mails
S.S. Thames, Alexandria to Southampton



59



December 11, 1858. A letter posted at Launceston, Tasmania and paid at the 6d. Colonial rate to the U.K. via Southampton. Payment is by the 6d. imperf, Issue of 1858. Letter is endorsed: p "Columbian" via Southampton. Cancellation is by the "59" Post Office number of Launceston.

Mails to Britain were closed at Launceston and shipped by a local steamer to Melbourne.

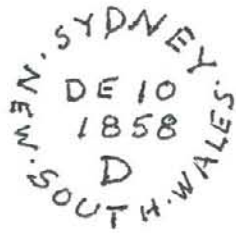
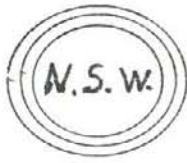
Steamships of the European & Australian Line conveyed this letter on the 24th Northbound voyage of E. & A. under the contract. Dates were:

<u>S.S. Columbian</u>		<u>S.S. Thames</u>	
Sydney	Dec. 11, 1858	Alexandria	Jan. 27, 1859
→ Melbourne	18	Malta	31
King George's Sound	25	Southampton	Feb. 12
Galle	Jan. 8, 1859		
Aden	17		
Suez	23.		



February 12, 1859. Ladybank, Scotland arrival backstamp.

1858



ORIGINATING OFFICE BACKSTAMP

LONDON ARRIVAL BACKSTAMP



TWENTY-THIRD HOMEWARD MAILS (MCLNAR N24)

E + A SHIPS:

"COLUMBIAN"

SYDNEY 11 DEC. 1858
MELBOURNE 16-18 DEC.
KGS 24 DEC.
GALLE 8 JAN. 1859
ADEN 17 JAN.
SUEZ 23 JAN.

"THAMES"

ALEXANDRIA 27 JAN.
MALTA 31 JAN.
SOUTHAMPTON 11 FEB. 1859

OVERLAND

POSTAL RATE: 6d PER HALF OUNCE.

1858

STEIGLITZ
DE 14 N.
1858
VICTORIA



GEE LONG
DE 15
1858
VICTORIA

LONDON
LGB
FE 12
59
PAID

ORIGINATING P.O.
BACKSTAMP
PROVING COVER
FOR OBLITERATOR
ASSIGNMENT

OBLITERATOR
BARRED NUMERAL
TYPE ASSIGNED STEIGLITZ

GEE LONG
TRANSIT
BACKSTAMP

LONDON
ARRIVAL



TWENTY-THIRD HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR NZA)

E. & A. SHIPS:

"COLUMBIAN"

SYDNEY 1200 11 DEC. 1858
MELBOURNE 16-18 DEC.
KGS 24 DEC
GALLE 8 JAN. 1859
ADEN 17 JAN.
SUEZ 0330 23 JAN.

"THAMES"

ALEXANDRIA 1230 27 JAN. 1859
MALTA 31 JAN.
SOUTHAMPTON 11 FEB.

MAILS TO THE G.P.O.
@ 1640 11 FEB. 1859

1859



ORIGINATING OFFICE
PAID HANDSTAMP.
ROBSON LOWE TYPE HS34
IN USE 1854-1859



OBTRAGATOR FOR
ADELAIDE-ROBSON
LOWE TYPE B.



ARRIVAL BACKSTAMP



TWENTY-FOURTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR N25)

THIS COVER WAS CARRIED ON THE LAST AUSTRALIA TO U.K. MAIL
RUN PERFORMED BY THE EUROPEAN AND AUSTRALIAN LINE.

E. & A. SHIPS WERE:

ONEIDA

SYDNEY 31 JAN.
MELBOURNE 5 FEB.
K.G.S. ?
GALLE 28 FEB.
ADEN 9 MAR.
SUZ 15 MAR.

TEVIOT

ALEXANDRIA 17 MAR.
MALTA 21-23 MAR.
SOUTHAMPTON 31 MAR

WYE

MALTA 21 MAR.
MARSEILLES 24 MAR

OVERLAND →

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THE POSTAL RATE - ADELAIDE, S.A. TO THE U.K. DURING THE PERIOD
1855-1861 WAS 6d, THE FRANKING USED ON THIS COVER TO MEET
THE RATE IS THE 6d S.C. # 10. THIS WAS A LOCAL PRINTING BY THE
GOVERNMENT PRINTER USING PERKINS, BACON & CO. PLATES.

1858-59

THE EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY

S.S. Oneida, Sydney to Suez via Ceylon 25th (and last) Homeward Mail

S.S. Teviot, Alexandria to Malta (Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.)

S.S. Wye, Malta to Marseilles (Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.)

This letter was carried on the last homeward voyage (N25) of the E. & A., and was carried on the S.S. Oneida, the same steamship that inaugurated the line in January 1857. This last northward voyage was after a lapse of 18 months for Oneida's repairs in England. She later became part of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co. fleet.

LIVERPOOL
1858
DE 24
N.S.W.

SYDNEY
DE 24
1858
N.S.W.



December 24, 1858. A letter to Edinburgh, Scotland endorsed: Marseilles. 1sh.6d. in stamps was cancelled by the rayed "20" of Liverpool, N.S.W. letter also backstamped at that town, same day backstamp at Sydney. The rates of 15 Jan. 1857 were 6d. per ½-oz. British Colonial rate plus 3d. per ¼-oz. if directed via Marseilles, total 9d. This letter was rated as double or 9d. x 2 = 18d. = 1sh.6d. However, it is underrated by 3d. as it weighed just over ½-oz., British 6d. rate x 2 = 1sh. At French increment of 3d./¼-oz. x 3 = 9d., total 1sh.9d. Letter was passed through Marseilles with no further charges assessed at 1sh.6d.

Rate made up by 6d. gray, Issue of 1854, 2 singles plus pair of 1d. orange and single plus strip of 3 of 2d., Issue of 1856.

Steamship of the E. & A. Mail Company conveyed this letter to Suez, then forwarded to Marseilles by those of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.

<u>S.S. Oneida</u>	<u>S.S. Teviot</u>	<u>S.S. Wye</u>
Sydney Jan. 31, '59	Alexandria Mar. 17	Malta Mar. 21
Melbourne Fe. 5	Malta (ca) 20	Marseilles 26
KGS 13		
Galle 28	March 27. Edinburgh arrival	
Aden Mar. 9	backstamp.	
Suez 15.		

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EDINBURGH
MR 27
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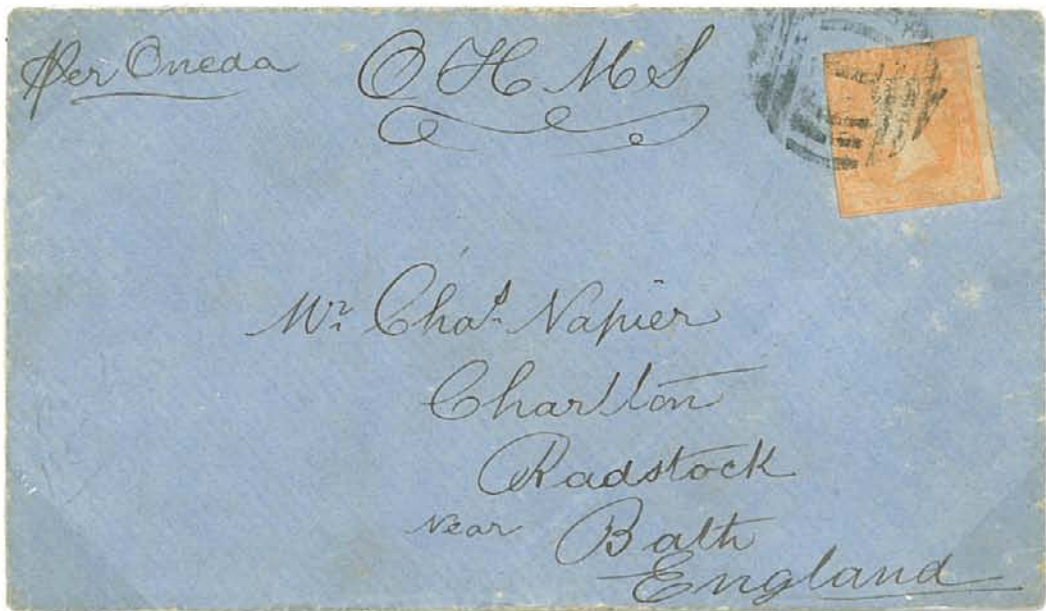
BARRED NUMERAL
OBLITERATOR ASSIGNED
TO MELBOURNE.
IN USE 1856-1906



RECEIVING
OFFICE
BACKSTAMP



ARRIVAL
BACKSTAMP



TWENTY FOURTH HOMEWARD MAILS (MOLNAR NZ5)

E+A SHIPS:

"ONEIDA"

SYDNEY 31 JAN. 1859
MELBOURNE 5 FEB.
GALLE 28 FEB.
ADEN 9 MAR.
SUEZ 15 MAR.

"TEVIOT"

ALEXANDRIA 17 MAR.
MALTA 23 MAR.
SOUTHAMPTON 31 MAR.
(MAILS TO THE
GPO @ 1925)

POSTAL RATE: 6d PER HALF OUNCE.

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OBLITERATOR
ASSIGNED KING'S BRIDGE



ORIGINATING
OFFICE
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LONDON
TRANSIT
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Mr. Stammen
122 William Street
Sydney
New South Wales

TWENTY SECOND OUT WARD MAILS

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN LINE SHIPS

SS THAMES

DEPART SOUTHAMPTON 12 JAN '59
AT MALTA 23 JAN
ARRIVE ALEXANDRIA 25 JAN

SS COLUMBIAN

DEPART SUERZ 28 JAN 59
AT ADEN 4 FEB.
CALLÉ 18 FEB
KGS 10 MAR
ADELAIDE 17 MAR
MELBOURNE 20 MAR
ARRIVE SYDNEY 24 MAR