

posed will be 45 days as the maximum to either Sydney or Melbourne, and 35 days to Vancouver's Island, converting the monthly into a fortnightly communication, at the option of Her Majesty's Government, on a moderate augmentation of their subsidy. The term applied for will not exceed five years. The monthly service can be commenced in twelve months, and the semi-monthly in eighteen months.

For the Promoters,
THOMAS DAY,
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London, 14th September, 1858.

PRO FORMA LIST OF DISTANCES AND DATES FOR SAILINGS AND ARRIVALS OF THE AUSTRALASIAN
AND PACIFIC COMPANY.

	<i>Miles.</i>	
Queenstown to Navy Bay	4,282	15 days.
Aspinwall to Panama	40	4 hours.
Panama to Wellington	5,404	20 days.
Wellington to Sydney	1,170	} 5 "
„ Melbourne	1,320	
„ Launceston	1,250	
Melbourne to Adelaide	533	} 2 "
Sydney to Brisbane	540	

Departures from Adelaide and Brisbane, 26th February and 28th of other months.

Arrivals, 22nd of February and September, 25th of March and April, and 23rd of other months, so that letters may be always answered by succeeding mails.

To Perth, Western Australia, the distance from Adelaide being 1,345 miles, the time would be 47 days, should the service be extended to that Colony.

Liners.	Leave Sydney and Melbourne.	Wellington.	Panama.	Vancouver's Island.		Panama.	Wellington	Sydney and Melbourne
				Arrival.	Return.			
1st.	January 1	January 6	January 26	February 9	February 12	February 26*	March 18	March 23
2nd.	February 1	February 6	February 26*	March 12	March 15	March 29	April 18	April 23
		&c.		&c.		&c.		&c.

* The Vancouver return and the Australian homeward mails meet at Panama; and two steamers, with more steam power than those suitable for the Pacific, will suffice, with a lay-by working alternately.

Enclosures 3 and 4, in No. 3.

Vide *infra*. Enclosure 1, in No. 10.

Enclosures 4 and 5, in No. 3.

TO THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE LORDS OF HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY.

13th September, 1858.

MY LORDS,—

On behalf of the promoters, I have the honor to inform your Lordships that there is in course of formation a Steam Navigation Company for communication with Australasia and British Columbia, which will be legally constituted within the present month.

They naturally look to the postal subsidy as an important element of revenue, and as they