

Table No. 14—continued.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Peninsular and Oriental Service.

FROM LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P. AND O. PACKETS).

—		Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days)	...	31	32	38	39	40	40
Minimum	"	30	31	37	38	39	38
Average	"	30	31	37	38	39	39

* Covering despatches from 1st January to 31st July, 1914.

Maximum (in days)	...	43	44	51	52	53	53
Minimum	"	35	37	43	44	45	45
Average	"	39	40	45	46	47	47

* Covering despatches from 1st August to 31st December, 1914.

TO LONDON VIA BRINDISI (P. AND O. PACKETS).

—		Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days)	...	39	38	39	39	34	33
Minimum	"	36	35	36	36	31	30
Average	"	37	36	37	37	32	31

* Covering despatches from 1st January to 30th June, 1914.

Maximum (in days)	...	46	45	46	46	42	41
Minimum	"	41	40	41	41	36	35
Average	"	44	43	44	44	39	38

* Covering despatches from 1st July to 31st December, 1914.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Days occupied in the Delivery of Mails between London and the undermentioned Places by the Packets of the Orient Line.

FROM LONDON VIA TARANTO (ORIENT PACKETS).

—		Melbourne.	Sydney.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.
Maximum (in days)	...	30	31	38	39	40	42
Minimum	"	30	31	34	35	36	36
Average	"	30	31	36	37	38	38

* Covering despatches from 1st January to 31st July, 1914.

Maximum (in days)	...	44	45	51	52	53	53
Minimum	"	36	37	44	45	46	46
Average	"	38	39	46	47	48	48

* Covering despatches from 1st August to 31st December, 1914.

TO LONDON VIA TARANTO (ORIENT PACKETS).

—		Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch	Dunedin.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Maximum (in days)	...	39	38	39	39	33	32
Minimum	"	37	35	36	36	31	30
Average	"	38	37	38	38	32	31

* Covering despatches from 1st January to 30th June, 1914.

Maximum (in days)	...	48	47	48	48	42	41
Minimum	"	40	39	40	40	34	33
Average	"	43	42	43	43	37	36

* Covering despatches from 1st July to 31st December, 1914.

* Owing to the outbreak of war and the delays in the delivery of the mails occasioned thereby the time-tables by the San Francisco and Suez routes are shown in two portions, one covering the period prior to the outbreak of war and the other covering the subsequent period.