

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

STEAM NAVIGATION.—A company has been recently projected for the purpose of placing a steam vessel upon the Swan, and which might occasionally visit the outports. The estimated cost of a vessel (of 50 tons burthen and 15 horse power), such as would answer the desired end, was stated to be 1,500*l.*, while the annual expenditure on account of the undertaking would approach the following :—

Master	-	-	-	-	-	£.
Engineer	-	-	-	-	-	250
Stoker	-	-	-	-	-	200
Seaman	-	-	-	-	-	150
Oil, tallow, waste, and contingencies	-	-	-	-	-	90
Coals	-	-	-	-	-	150
						300
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						1,140

Upon the creditor side of the question, it was calculated that the receipts might be taken as annexed :—

Of 2,000 tons annually landed at Freemantle, one-third, it was reckoned, would be sent per steamer, at 6 <i>d.</i> per ton	-	-	-	-	-	£.
Of 1,500 tons annually to Perth, one-half was calculated per steam, at 12 <i>s.</i> per ton	-	-	-	-	-	200
Of 500 tons from Perth to Freemantle, one-half was estimated per steam at 10 <i>s.</i> per ton	-	-	-	-	-	450
8,000 bushels of wheat down the Swan at 3 <i>d.</i> per bushel	-	-	-	-	-	125
Flour, bark, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	100
Wool down 7,000 lbs., about 320 bales, at 5 <i>s.</i> each	-	-	-	-	-	270
Hay, average 500 tons, to Perth and Freemantle, at 30 <i>s.</i> per ton	-	-	-	-	-	80
Potatoes, vats, barley, average 100 tons, at 25 <i>s.</i> per ton	-	-	-	-	-	750
Goods from York to Guildford 200 tons, from Freemantle and Perth	-	-	-	-	-	125
Passengers, 4 per diem, at 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each	-	-	-	-	-	150
Mails to Freemantle and Guildford, per annum	-	-	-	-	-	150
Timber and firewood, 300 tons, at 7 <i>s.</i> per ton	-	-	-	-	-	105
Sheep and cattle	-	-	-	-	-	25
Fruit	-	-	-	-	-	20

2,650

Deduct expenses - - - 1,140

1,510

Deduct 20 per cent. on the 1,200*l.* for sinking fund 240

Leaving net profit 1,270

These estimates were considered sufficiently satisfactory to justify the establishment of a company for the prosecution of the undertaking, the capital of which was fixed at 6,000*l.*, in 600 shares of 10*l.*. One hundred and sixty shares were taken immediately.

METEOROLOGICAL TABLE,

KEPT AT THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL'S OFFICE, PERTH.

Nov. 1841.	Time.	Therm.	Bar.	Wind.	Weather and Remarks.
3	10 A.M.	60	50·07	S.S.W.	Light airs—fine.
	4 P.M.	67	·07	S.N.	{ Light breeze—passing clouds— rain in the night.
4	10 A.M.	60	·18	W.S.W.	Fresh breeze—cloudy sky.
	4 P.M.	68	·19	S.W.	Fresh breeze—fine
5	10 A.M.	67	27	S.	Very light airs—rather cloudy.
	4 P.M.	70	·23	S.S.W.	Light breeze—fine.
6	10 A.M.	70	·08	Calm.	Cloudy—fine.
7	10 A.M.	70	23 08	N.W.	Fresh breeze—cloudy.
	4 P.M.	64	30·01	W.	{ Ditto ditto—rain in the night.
8	10 A.M.	69	·20	W.S.W.	Fresh breeze—fine.
	4 P.M.	71	·02	S.S.W.	Ditto—passing clouds.
9	10 A.M.	67	·02	S.W.	Moderate—fine.
10	10 A.M.	68	30·37	N.E.	Light breeze—fine—clear.
	4 P.M.	74	·34	S.N.	Moderate sea-breeze—clear.
11	10 A.M.	68	·39	Calm.	Fine—clear.
	4 P.M.	75	·83	S.W.	Fresh breeze—fine.
12	10 A.M.	73	·30	S.W.	Light breeze—clear weather.
	4 P.M.	80	·22	S.W.	Moderate breeze—ditto.
13	10 A.M.	85	·13	S.W.	Light airs—clear.
	4 P.M.	89	·03	...	Ditto ditto.
14	10 A.M.	74	·13	W.	Fresh breeze—cloudy—showers.
15	10 A.M.	70	·17	W.	Ditto ditto ditto—fine.
	4 P.M.	71	·20	W.S.W.	Ditto ditto ditto—showery.
16	10 A.M.	64	·33	S.S.E.	Light airs—cloudy—fine.
17	10 A.M.	68	30·44	N.	
	4 P.M.	69	·38	S.S.W.	Light breeze—clear weather.
18	10 A.M.	72	·34	N.	Moderate sea-breeze—clear.
	4 P.M.	75	·28	S.W.	Light airs—fine.
19	10 A.M.	74	·25	S.W.	Moderate—fine.
	4 P.M.	73	·24	S.W.	Fresh breeze—fine—clear.
20	10 A.M.	72	·24	Calm.	Fine—clear.
21	11 A.M.	73	·16	S.W.	Moderate—fine—clear.
22	10 A.M.	72	·27	S.W.	Light breeze—fine.
	4 P.M.	72	·27	S.W.	Fresh sea-breeze—fine
23	10 A.M.	71	·31	Calm.	Fine—clear.

CHRONOLOGICAL EVENTS.

JUNE.

2. South Australian newspaper established at Adelaide, 1837.
3. First newspaper appeared at Adelaide, 1837.
4. New South Wales Benevolent Society established, 1818.
10. Society for Relief of Aged and Infirm established at Sydney, 1818.
14. Van Diemen's Land proclaimed independent of New South Wales.

HOME INTELLIGENCE.

OFFICIAL NEWS.—Despatches from the Governor of New South Wales were received at the Colonial Office, on the 22nd ult.

PARLIAMENTARY INTELLIGENCE.

House of Commons, May 24.

LORD STANLEY moved for leave, on the 27th ult., for permission to bring in a bill 'for the further provision for the Government of New South Wales;' on which occasion, his lordship took the opportunity of stating, that the Constitutional Act in that colony had been renewed by successive acts since 1836; and as it would expire in the present year, he proposed to introduce the bill for which he sought leave, which was founded in the material parts on the measure proposed by the noble lord, the member for London, last session. He, Lord Stanley, had considered the provisions of that bill, and had made some alterations, which were suggested by persons representing different opinions in the colony. The bill would considerably extend the popular rights in New South Wales, but not more than the colony were fairly entitled to, and it would also constitute for the conduct of local affairs municipal districts, and bodies, which would be required by the legislature about to be given under the sanction of parliament.

Leave was given for the introduction of the bill.

AUSTRAL-ASIAN SHIPPING.

GRAVESEND.

ARRIVALS.

MAY 26.—The 'Alexandrina,' Thompson, from Port Phillip.—23. The 'William,' Le Blair, from Sydney.—22. The 'Jack,' Cumberland, from Sydney.—11. The 'Hebe,' Wishart, from Hobart Town.—9. The 'Deva,' Sproat, from Port Phillip.—8. The 'Enterprise,' Barker, from Sydney.—10. The 'Mona,' Milligen, from Launceston.—The 'Helvellyn,' Glover, from Sydney.—7. The 'Ann,' Withycomb, from Sydney.—5. The 'Active,' Brook, from New Zealand.

DEPARTURES.

MAY 26.—The 'Thomas Harrison,' Smith, for New Zealand.—25. The 'St George,' Sughrue, for Auckland, New Zealand.—20. The 'Appoline,' Thomas, for Hobart Town.—21. The 'Waterloo,' Agar, for Sydney.—20. The 'Tucan,' Ormond, for Auckland, New Zealand.—13. The 'Nelson,' M'Laren, for Wellington, New Zealand.—9. The 'Trial,' Day, for Sydney.—8. The 'Royal Admiral,' Weekner, for Hobart Town.—5. The 'Duke of Manchester,' Murray, for Sydney.—4. The 'Sultan,' Montgomery, for Hobart Town.—1. The 'Sir Charles Forbes,' Bacon, for New Zealand.—The 'Haidee,' Marshall, for Hobart Town.—April 30.—The 'Simon Taylor,' Brown, for Swan River.

VESSELS SPOKEN WITH, &c.

The 'Louisa Campbell,' to New Zealand, 7th March, lat. 39 S., long. 25 W.—The 'Isabella,' to Hobart Town, 17th March, lat. 25 S., long. 29.—The 'Earl of Durham,' to Port Phillip, 22nd February, lat. 11 S., long. 87. E.—The 'Wilmot,' to Sydney, 15th March, lat. 5 N., long. 20 W.—The 'Cheviot,' to Hobart Town, 7th April, lat. 2 N., long. 19 W.—The 'Amelia,' to Port Phillip.—The 'Lady Fitzherbert' to Port Adelaide, 29th March (no latitude or longitude given).—The 'Fortitude,' to Port Adelaide, 14th January on the line.

SHIPS LOADING FOR AUSTRAL-ASIA, AND THEIR PROBABLE TIME OF SAILING.

FOR NEW SOUTH WALES.

	Tons.	Rated.	Master.	Appointed to sail about	
Eden	419	*Æ1	Jacks	June	10.
Aden	472	A1	Waddell	June	20.
(And Port Phillip.)					
Spartan	364	*Æ1	Macey	June	5.
Giraffe	264	A1	Moore	June	10.
Caledonia	189	*Æ1	Riddell	June	20.
Samuel	327	A1	Smith	June	30.
Helvellyn	241	*Æ1	Tullidge	July	1.

FOR NEW ZEALAND.

George Fife	391	A1	Pike	June	15.
Olympus	316	A1	Whyte	June	15.
New Zealand	380	A1	...	From Greenock, July 1.	
Blenheim	374	A1	...	Plymouth, July 1.	
Bombay	400	*Æ	...	Gravesend, July 15.	

FOR LAUNCESTON.

Adelaide	258	A1	Dryden	June	20.
Royal Saxon	510	A1	Lodge	All June.	
Bolivar	500	A1	Fenwick	June	1.
Blenheim	375	A1	Grey		
Mona	188	A1	Willigan	June	25.
Viscount Sandon	540	A1	Holland	All June.	
(On to Calcutta.)					

FOR PORT PHILLIP.

Deva	288	A1	Sproat	July	1.
Cheverell	352	A1	Harvey	June	20.
Aden	472	A1	Waddell	June	20.
(On to Sydney.)					
Sarah	488	*Æ1	Heidrich	July	1.
Dublin			Duniam	June	15.
Mary Mitchel	279	A1	M'Ewen	All June.	
(And New South Wales.)					
Posthumous	390	A1	Milner	July	28.
(And Sydney.)					

FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Taglioni	350	A1	Black	June	10.
Countess of Durham ...	331	A1	Spittal	June	20.

FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Trusty	366	A1	Elsdon	June	21.
Lady Gray	323	A1	Gray	June	30.

FOR HOBART TOWN.

May Flower	326	A1	Headley	June	10.
Emily	461		... Convicts.		
Jane Frances	390	A1	Crosby	All June.	
Marquis of Hastings ...	452	*Æ1	Carr	Convicts.	
Janet Izat	229	A1	Goldsmith	June	20.

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