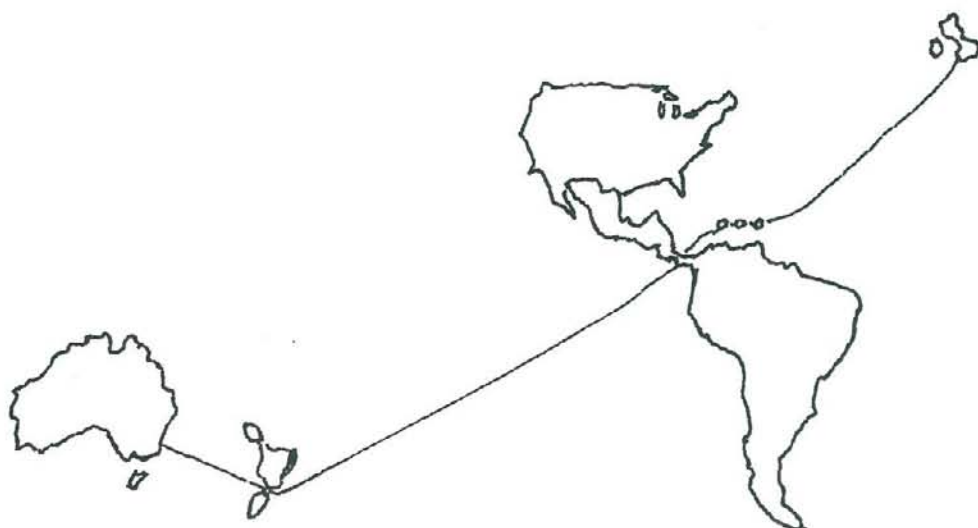


AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND
TO THE U/K
VIA
PANAMA



15 JUNE 1866 — 12 FEBRUARY 1868

TWO SHIPPING LINES CARRIED THE MAILS ON THIS ROUTE
WITH RAIL TRANSPORTATION ACROSS THE ISTHMUS OF PANAMA.

- THE PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY CONDUCTED THE TRANS-PAC PORTION OF THE TRIP: SYDNEY-WELLINGTON-PANAMA. THE 2000 MILES WELLINGTON TO PANAMA WAS THE LONGEST RUN UNDERTAKEN BY A STEAMER AT THAT TIME.
- THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET COMPANY CONDUCTED THE TRANS-ANT PORTION OF THE TRIP: COLON-KINGSTON, JAMAICA-JACMEL, HAITI-ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS-SOUTHAMPTON.

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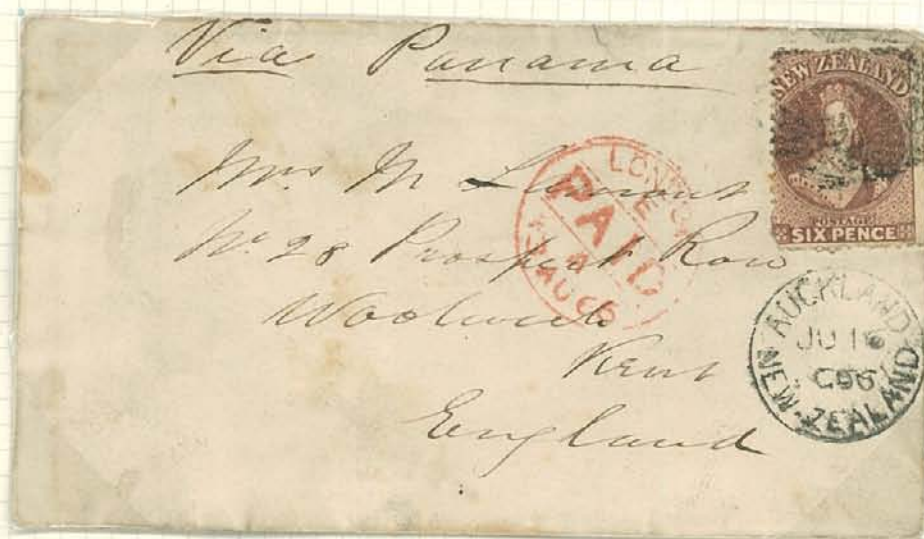
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VIA PANAMA

PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
& AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL
COMPANY SHIP

ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET
COMPANY SHIPS

KAIKOURA

SYDNEY 15 JUNE '66
WELLINGTON 24 JUNE
PANAMA 20 JULY

TYNE

COLON 23 JULY '66
ST. THOMAS 29 JULY

TASMANIAN

ST. THOMAS 30 JULY '66
SOUTHAMPTON 13 AUG.

THIS COVER CARRIED ON THE FIRST MAIL RUN OF THIS ROUTE.

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BACK STAMPS
ARRIVAL DATE + OBULATOR



VIA PANAMA

PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
& AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL SHIP

ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET
COMPANY SHIPS

RUAHINE

SYDNEY 15 JULY '66
WELLINGTON 24 JULY
PANAMA 22 AUG.

TYNE

COLON 23 AUG '66
ST. THOMAS 28 AUG

ATRATO

ST. THOMAS 28 AUG '66
SOUTHAMPTON 12 SEPT.

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STAMP



ARRIVAL
STAMP



VIA PANAMA

THE PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
& AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL CO.

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET CO.

SHIP: KAIKOURA

CAPT. H.S. MACHIN

SYDNEY - 1 OCT '66

WELLINGTON -

PANAMA - 6 NOV '66

SHIP: TAMAR

CAPT. HAMMACK

COLON - 7 NOV 66

JAMAICA - 10 NOV

JACMEL - 11 NOV

ST. THOMAS - 13 NOV

SHIP: SEINE

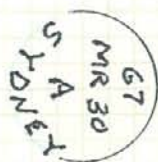
CAPT. R. REVETTE

ST. THOMAS - 14 NOV '66

SOUTHAMPTON - 1 DEC 66

THE RECORDS IN THE BRITISH POST OFFICE ARCHIVES SHOW "NO
PACKET" AT WELLINGTON FOR THIS MAIL RUN. THIS COVER PROVES
THAT ENTRY TO BE ERRONEOUS.

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SYDNEY DUPLEX

ARRIVAL
TRANSIT MARK

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BACKSTAMP



VIA PANAMA

THE PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
& AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL CO.

SHIP: RAKAIA

CAPT. S. H. WRIGHT

SYDNEY - 1 APR. '67

WELLINGTON - 8 APR. '67

PANAMA - 4 MAY 67

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET CO.

SHIP: TAMAR

CAPT. HAMMACIE

COLON - 6 MAY '67

JAMAICA - 9/10 MAY

JACMEL - 11 MAY

ST. THOMAS - 14 MAY

SHIP: DOURO

CAPT. T. A. BEVIS

ST. THOMAS - 14 MAY '67

SOUTHAMPTON 27 MAY 67

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SYDNEY DUPLEX
ROBSON LOW TYPE C-11
IN USE 1858-1894

LONDON
TRANSIT

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BACKSTAMP



VIA PANAMA

THE PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
& AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL CO.

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET CO.

SHIP: RAKAIA

CAPT: S.M. WRIGHT

SYDNEY - 1 AUG '67

WELLINGTON - 8 AUG.

PANAMA - 3 SEPT

SHIP: TAMAR

CAPT:

COLON - 5 SEPT. '67

JAMAICA - 7 SEPT.

JACMEL - 8 SEPT.

ST. THOMAS - 10 SEPT

SHIP: DOUBO

CAPT. T.A. BEVIS

ST. THOMAS - 13 SEPT. '67

SOUTHAMPTON - 27 SEPT.

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LONDON TRANSIT



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BACKSTAMP



VIA PANAMA

PANAMA NEW ZEALAND
AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL
COMPANY SHIP

ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET
COMPANY SHIPS

RAKAIA

SYDNEY 12-1-67
WELLINGTON 12-8-67
PANAMA 1-4-68

TYNE

COLON 1-5-68
JAMAICA 1-8-68

DOURO

JAMAICA 1-9-68
JACMEL 1-12-68
ST. THOMAS 1-12-68
PLYMOUTH 1-25-68
SOUTHAMPTON 1-25-68

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P.O. BACKSTAMP



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TRANSIT
STAMP



ARRIVAL
BACK STAMP



VIA PANAMA

THE PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL CO.

SHIP: MATAURA

CAPT: G.E. BIRD

SYDNEY - 1 JAN '68

WELLINGTON - 8 JAN.

PANAMA - 4 FEB

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACIFIC CO.

SHIP: TYNE

CAPT: HOLE

COLON - 5 FEB '68

JAMAICA - 8 FEB.

SHIP: ATRATO

CAPT: R. REVETT

JAMAICA - 12 FEB '68

JACMEL - 14 FEB '68

ST. THOMAS - 15/16 FEB

PLYMOUTH - 29 FEB

SOUTHAMPTON - 1 MAR

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OBLITERATOR
ASSIGNED TO
AUCKLAND

ARRIVAL
STAMP



VIA PANAMA

THE PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
& AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET CO.

SHIP: RAKAIA
CAPT: S.H. WRIGHT
SYDNEY - 1 APR. '68
WELLINGTON - 8 APR.
PANAMA - 4 MAY

SHIP: TYNE
CAPT: HOLE
COLOM - 6 MAY '68
JAMAICA - 9 MAY '68

SHIP: DOURO
CAPT: R. WOOLWARD
JAMAICA - 10 MAY '68
JACMEL - 12 MAY
ST. THOMAS - 13/15 MAY
PLYMOUTH - 27 MAY
SOUTHAMPTON - 28 MAY

DOUBLE RATE COVER.

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VIA PANAMA

PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
AND AUSTRALIAN
ROYAL MAIL CO. SHIP

ROYAL MAIL STEAM
PACKET CO. SHIP

MATAURA

DOURO

SYDNEY 2 SEPT. '68

COLON 9 OCT. '68

WELLINGTON 9 SEPT

JAMAICA 11 OCT.

PANAMA 8 OCT.

JACMEL 12 OCT.

OVERLAND

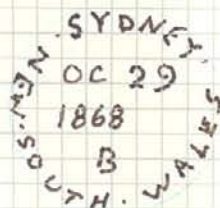
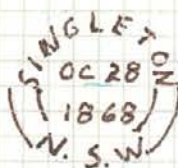
WATER ISLAND 14/15 OCT.

PLYMOUTH 27 OCT.

SOUTHAMPTON 27 OCT.

THE 6d STAMP HAS A CLEAR REENTRY, BEING STAMP 17/10.

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ORIGINATING POST OFFICE

TRANSIT MARKINGS
BACK STAMPS

ARRIVAL



VIA PANAMA

PANAMA, NEW ZEALAND
AND AUSTRALIAN
ROYAL MAIL CO. SHIP

"RUAHINE"

SYDNEY 2 NOV. '68
WELLINGTON 8 NOV.
PANAMA 5 DEC. '68

ROYAL MAIL STEAM
PACKET CO. SHIP

"TASMANIAN"

COLON 6 DEC. '68
JAMAICA 9 DEC.
HAITI 11 DEC.
ST. THOMAS 13/14 DEC.
PLYMOUTH 27 DEC.
SOUTHAMPTON 28 DEC '68

THIS COVER NOT ENDORSED VIA PANAMA BUT MUST CERTAINLY
TRAVELLED OVER THAT ROUTE.