

**Sailings of the Pacific Mail Steam Ship Company New York to Aspinwall (Colón)
During the Period of the Panama Route from New Zealand, 1866-1869**

Vessel	Westbound →			Connect w	Eastbound →		
	dp NY	ar ASP	dep Pan		arr Pan	dp ASP	ar NY
1866							
Arizona	1-Jun	~9-Jun				12-Jun	20-Jun
Northern Light	11-Jun	14-Jun	24-Jun	Rakaia	—	23-Jun	2-Jul
New-York	21-Jun	29-Jun				1-Jul	9-Jul
Arizona	30-Jun	8-Jul				13-Jul	21-Jul
Henry Chauncey	11-Jul	19-Jul	26-Jul	Kaikoura	20-Jul	24-Jul	31-Jul
New-York	21-Jul	29-Jul				9-Aug	18-Aug
Champion	27-Jul	9-Aug		*		—	—
Northern Light	1-Aug	11-Aug				12-Aug	21-Aug
Arizona	11-Aug	19-Aug		Ruahine	21-Aug	24-Aug	31-Aug
Henry Chauncey	21-Aug	29-Aug	31-Aug	Ruahine		1-Sep	9-Sep
New-York	1-Sep	9-Sep				12-Sep	19-Sep
Arizona	11-Sep	19-Sep				23-Sep	1-Oct
Henry Chauncey	21-Sep	~29-Sep				3-Oct	11-Oct
Ocean Queen	1-Oct	11-Oct		Rakaia	6-Oct	12-Oct	20-Oct
Arizona	11-Oct	~21-Oct	25-Oct	Rakaia		23-Oct	31-Oct
Henry Chauncey	20-Oct	28-Oct				1-Nov	9-Nov
Ocean Queen	1-Nov	9-Nov		Kaikoura	6-Nov	12-Nov	20-Nov
Arizona	10-Nov	18-Nov	24-Nov	Kaikoura		24-Nov	2-Dec
Rising Star	21-Nov	29-Nov				2-Dec	10-Dec
Ocean Queen	1-Dec	9-Dec		Ruahine	6-Dec	14-Dec	22-Dec
Henry Chauncey	11-Dec	18-Dec	28-Dec	Ruahine		23-Dec	31-Dec
Rising Star	21-Dec	29-Dec				2-Jan	10-Jan
New-York	31-Dec	~8-Dec		Rakaia	6-Jan	12-Jan	20-Jan
1867							
Henry Chauncey	11-Jan	19-Jan	27-Jan	Rakaia		23-Jan	31-Jan
Ocean Queen	21-Jan	~29-Jan				1-Feb	10-Feb
Rising Star	1-Feb	~9-Feb		Mataura	4-Feb	13-Feb	21-Feb
Henry Chauncey	11-Feb	19-Feb	27-Feb	Mataura		24-Feb	5-Mar
Ocean Queen	20-Feb	1-Mar				4-Mar	13-Mar
Rising Star	1-Mar	9-Mar		Kaikoura	6-Mar	13-Mar	24-Mar
Henry Chauncey	11-Mar	19-Mar	25-Mar	Kaikoura		24-Mar	1-Apr
Ocean Queen	21-Mar	~29-Mar				4-Apr	14-Apr
New-York	1-Apr	9-Apr				14-Apr	22-Apr
Henry Chauncey	11-Apr	~19-Apr	25-Apr	Ruahine	16-Apr	24-Apr	2-May
Arizona	20-Apr	~28-Apr				4-May	11-May
Ocean Queen	1-May	9-May		Rakaia †	4-May	15-May	25-May
Henry Chauncey	11-May	19-May	25-May	Rakaia		25-May	2-Jun
Arizona	21-May	~29-May				2-Jun	11-Jun
Ocean Queen	1-Jun	10-Jun		Mataura	4-Jun	14-Jun	23-Jun
Rising Star	11-Jun	19-Jun	25-Jun	Mataura		25-Jun	4-Jul
Arizona	21-Jun	~29-Jun				3-Jul	11-Jul
Ocean Queen	1-Jul	9-Jul		Kaikoura	6-Jul	12-Jul	21-Jul
Henry Chauncey	11-Jul	19-Jul	25-Jul	Kaikoura		24-Jul	1-Aug
Rising Star	20-Jul	28-Jul				3-Aug	11-Aug
Arizona	1-Aug	~9-Aug		Ruahine	6-Aug	12-Aug	20-Aug

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Henry Chauncey	10-Aug	18-Aug	24-Aug	Ruahine		25-Aug	2-Sep
Rising Star	21-Aug	30-Aug				1-Sep	9-Sep
Arizona	31-Aug	8-Sep		Rakaia	3-Sep	12-Sep	20-Sep
Henry Chauncey	11-Sep	~19-Sep	24-Sep	Rakaia		~23-Sep	1-Oct
Rising Star	21-Sep	~29-Apr				1-Oct	9-Oct
Arizona	1-Oct	9-Oct		Mataura	4-Oct	14-Oct	22-Oct
Henry Chauncey	11-Oct	~19-Oct	24-Oct	Mataura		25-Oct	31-Oct
Rising Star	21-Oct	29-Oct				1-Nov	9-Nov
Arizona	1-Nov	~9-Nov		Kaikoura	3-Nov	12-Nov	20-Nov
Henry Chauncey	11-Nov	~19-Nov	28-Nov	Kaikoura		23-Nov	1-Dec
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Rising Star	21-Dec	~29-Dec				1-Jan	9-Jan
Arizona	31-Dec	8-Jan		Rakaia	4-Jan	14-Jan	22-Jan
1868							
Henry Chauncey	11-Jan	~19-Jan	27-Jan	Rakaia		24-Jan	1-Feb
Rising Star	21-Jan	30-Jan				1-Feb	9-Feb
Arizona	1-Feb	9-Feb		Mataura	4-Feb	13-Feb	20-Feb
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Henry Chauncey	9-Apr	~17-Apr	24-Apr	Ruahine		20-Apr	28-Apr
Ocean Queen	16-Apr	~24-Apr				28-Apr	6-May
Rising Star	24-Apr	~1-May				6-May	14-May
Arizona	1-May	~9-May		Rakaia	4-May	14-May	22-May
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Henry Chauncey	24-Dec	1-Jan				5-Jan	13-Jan
Arizona	31-Dec	~8 Jan		Rakaia †	5-Jan	14-Jan	22-Jan
1869							
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final sailing from Panama

Data extracted principally from "Marine Intelligence" columns of the *New York Times* with supplementary data from *New York Tribune* .

** Could not find departure from Aspinwall or arrival at NY; this is an odd one; perhaps a charter?*

† Where a vessel departed Aspinwall on the same day as a vessel that arrived at Panama, the assumption was taken that insufficient time was available for the mail to be offloaded, sorted, postmarked with the Panama transit mark, bagged for New York, transferred across the Isthmus and loaded on board the departing steamer. In these instances, it has been assumed that the mail was carried by the next departing vessel. These instances are arrivals at Panama on 4 May 1867, 5 December 1868 and 5 January 1868. There is one example arriving on 5 January 1868 that arrived in New York on 22 January, thus verifying this approach.