DETAILS OF DISTANCES.—(Corrected by Calculation.)

PACIFIC ROUTE.

To Melbourne:	MILES.
Queenstown to Colon	4,308
Colon to Panama	40
Panama to Melbourne, *viâ* New Zealand	7,886
Total Miles	12,234

To Sydney:	
Queenstown to Colon	4,308
Colon to Panama	40
Panama to Sydney, *viâ* New Zealand	7,685
Total Miles	12,033

NEW COLUMBIA LINE.

To Victoria:	
Queenstown to Navy Bay	4,308
Navy Bay to Panama	40
Panama to Vancouver's Island	4,200
Total Miles	8,548

INDIAN ROUTE.

Viâ Marseilles and Suez, with all the expense and inconvenience of overland travelling, frequent changes of conveyance, customs, passport and quarantine annoyances.—

		MILES.	MILES.
Dover to Malta		1,449	
Malta to Alexandria		815	
(Evidence to Report, 1851, p. 519			2,264
Alexandria to Suez	(p. 615)		238
Suez to Aden	(p. 517)		1,310
Aden to Mauritius	(p. 561)		2,800
Mauritius to Swan River	(p. 561)		3,150
Swan River to Melbourne	(p. 518)		1,850
Dover to Melbourne			11,612
Melbourne to Sydney			602
Dover to Sydney			12,214
Sydney to Wellington			1,221
Total Miles			13,435

Viâ Straits of Gibraltar:

Southampton to Malta	(p. 517)	2,160
Malta to Melbourne, as above		10,163
Southampton to Melbourne		12,323
Melbourne to Sydney		602
Southampton to Sydney		12,925
Sydney to Wellington		1,221
Total Miles		14,146

GENERAL COMPARISON.

[The other Eastern Routes are omitted, as the Contract *viâ* Mauritius establishes that Line for Seven Years.

COLONY.	The New Route.	Suez Route.		Royal Mail Panama Route, viâ Tahiti.*
	Australasian and Pacific Company.	Viâ Marseilles and Mauritius.	Viâ Gibraltar and Mauritius.	
Melbourne	12,235	11,612	12,823	13,173
Sydney	12,033	12,214	12,925	12,571
Wellington†	10,812	13,435	14,146	11,414

* The distances of this route are from pp. 518, 20, 21, of the Report of the Commons' Committee of 1851.
† Wellington viâ Marseilles and Melbourne, 13,034 miles; viâ Gibraltar and Melbourne, 13,745 miles.

On the question, then, of actual mileage, the Pacific Route presents no important disadvantage, whilst the very favourable navigation of this line may fairly be considered equivalent to a reduction of 1,500 miles of distance as compared with the Indian passage.