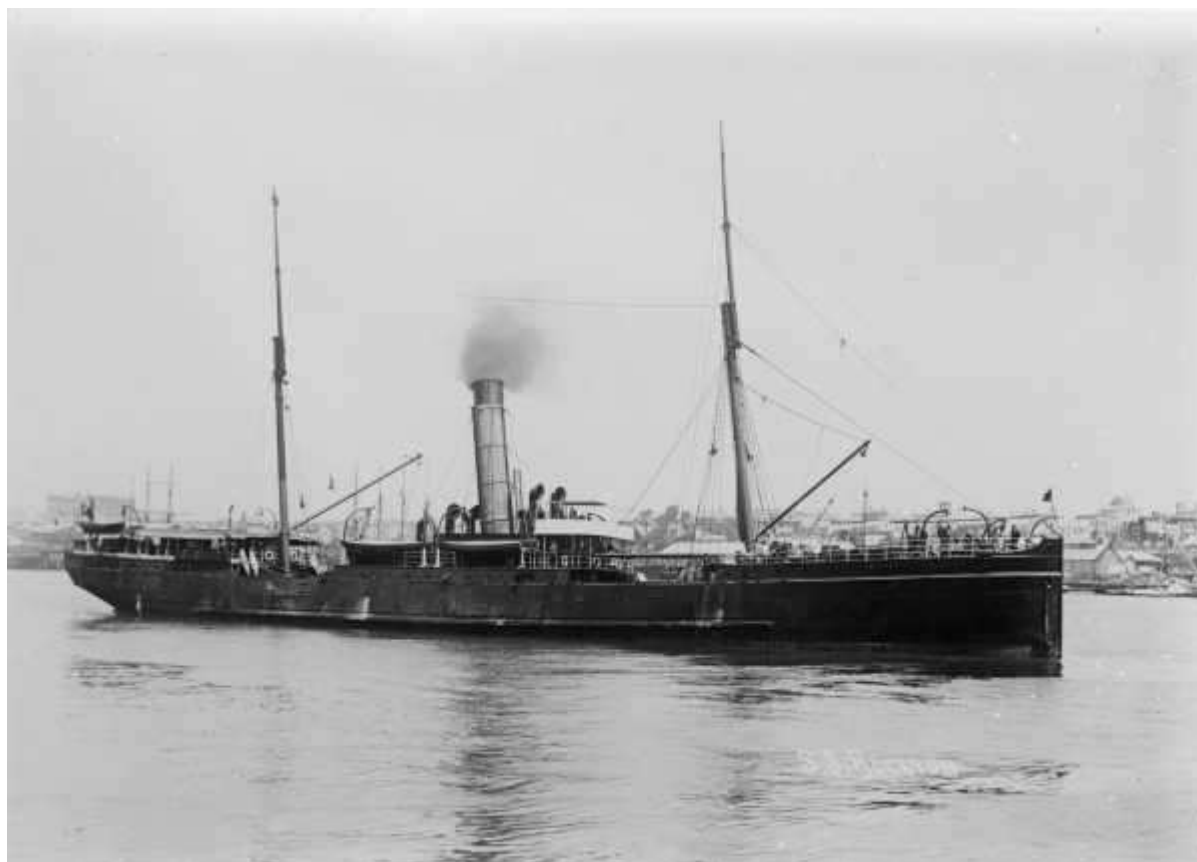


# THE NEW HEBRIDES RUNS OF THE S.S. ROCKTON AUSTRALIAN UNITED STEAM NAVIGATION CO

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1,971 gross tons, 1,189 net. Lbd: 27'-3" x 37'2" x 22'7". Iron steamship 2 masted schooner rigged, compounded engine producing 400 horsepower. She was built as a passenger vessel for ASN Co., by Napier, Shanks & Bell, Yoker Scotland, then acquired by AUSN Co April 1887. Principally used on the Queensland to Sydney/Melbourne route until January 1889 and then Sydney to Fiji via Noumea. April 1890 to December 1893 added New Hebrides to the trip on behalf of AUSN mail contract with NSW government. She made three more visits to New Hebrides between April 1893 & March 1894 to pickup cargo for the Australasian New Hebrides Co. Chartered to Huddart Parker & Co, Melbourne in 1898 in replacing their vessel 'Burrumbeet' from Melbourne to Newcastle. Sold 1904 to Osaka Shosen Kaisha and renamed Kanko Maru. Sold 1917 to Hara Shin-ichi and renamed Shinsei Maru No. 5. Finally Scrapped in Japan 1923

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Year	Sydney Departure	Sydney Arrival	Port Destination
1889	1889-01-21	1889-02-10	Noumea, New Hebrides Hav.H. Levuka
1889	1889-02-14	1889-03-07	Noumea, New Hebrides Hav.H. Levuka
1889	1889-03-14	1889-04-04	Noumea, New Hebrides Hav.H. Levuka
Then chartered by the U.S. Navy to go to Samoa and bring U.S. soldiers from the wrecked ships TRENTON and VANDALIA to San Francisco. ROCKTON replaced by the KATOOMBA.			

1890	1890-04-23	1890-05-14	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-05-22	1890-06-12	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-06-19	1890-07-11	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-07-17	1890-08-07	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-08-15	1890-09-04	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-09-19	1890-10-12	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-10-25	1890-11-17	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890	1890-11-28	1890-12-19	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1890-1891	1890-12-24	1891-01-14	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-01-23	1891-02-11	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-02-19	1891-03-11	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-03-18	1891-04-08	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-04-15	1891-05-07	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-05-14	1891-06-05	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-06-11	1891-07-03	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-07-09	1891-07-31	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-08-08	1891-08-27	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-09-03	1891-09-24	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-10-02	1891-10-22	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-10-29	1891-11-19	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891	1891-11-25	1891-12-17	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1891-1892	1891-12-23	1892-01-13	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-01-21	1892-02-12	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-02-18	1892-03-10	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-03-16	1892-04-07	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-04-14	1892-05-05	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-05-12	1892-06-02	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-06-08	1892-06-30	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-07-08	1892-08-04	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-08-08	1892-08-31	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-09-03	1892-09-27	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-09-30	1892-10-22	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-10-29	1892-11-19	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892	1892-11-24	1892-12-15	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1892-1893	1892-12-21	1893-01-12	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
1893	1893-01-18	1893-02-09	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum

1893	1893-02-15	1893-03-09	Noumea, Fiji, New Hebrides Aneityum
Here A.U.S.N. lost the subsidy and didn't call at Aneityum anymore – only sometimes			
1893	1893-04-26	1893-05-18	Noumea, Vila New Hebrides, Fiji
1893	1893-07-20	1893-08-14	Noumea, Vila New Hebrides, Fiji
1894	1894-02-07	1894-03-01	Noumea, Vila New Hebrides, Fiji