**‘The Goldfields of New South Wales’**

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| Number | Date | Page | Places visited |
| 1 | April 20 | 2 | “The Steamer”: steamer *Williams* to Newcastle (sea-sick), then to Morpeth, then road [horse-drawn ‘omnibus’] to Maitland, then by horse to Lochinvar, Black Creek, Singleton, Glennies Creek, Muswellbrook, Aberdeen, Scone, Page Valley. |
| 2 | April 23 | 5 | Valley of the Page, Murrurundi, Tamworth, the Moonbies. |
| 3 | May 1 | 2 | Bendemeer, Carlisle’s Gully, Armidale. |
| 4 | May 4 | 2 | ‘From Armidale to Oban’, on Good Friday, April 10, 1857. |
| 5 | May 8 | 2 | ‘Oban’ diggings. |
| 6 | May 11 | 2-3 | ‘From Oban to Rocky River’: Oban, Armidale, Rocky River, Uralla. |
| 7 | May 12 | 3 | ‘The Rocky River’: Rocky River / Uralla. |
| 8 | May 16 | 4 | ‘From the Rocky River to the Hanging Rock’: Uralla / Rocky River, Nundle / Hanging Rock. |
| 9 | May 16 | 4 & 7 | ‘The Hanging Rock’, about 25 km south of Tamworth. |
| 10 | June 26 | 4 | ‘Back to Sydney’: Hanging Rock, Gunoo Gunoo, Breeza (42 km south-east of Gunnedah), Maitland, Sydney. Far too wet to go directly to Mudgee. ‘Sydney to Mudgee’: Penrith, Mount Victoria, Hartey, Bowenfels, Barnaby’s Inn at Round Swamp. |
| 11 | June 27 | 6 | Barnaby’s Inn, Mudgee. |
| 12 | July 1 | 3 | ‘Mudgee’, ‘Mudgee to Murrendi’: Gratti Creek, ‘Murrendi’ |
| 13 | July 2 | 2 | ‘Murrendi to Burrandong’: got lost; ‘Burrandong’. |
| 14 | July 3 | 5 | ‘Burrandong to Muckrawa’, ‘Muckrawa’, ‘The Ironbark’. |
| 15 | July 6 | 3 | ‘The Wellington Road’: Ironbark, ‘Stoney Creek’, ‘Back to Burrendong’. |
| 16 | July 7 | 3 | ‘From Burrendong to Louisa Creek’: Louisa Creek. |
| 17 | July 9 | 8 | ‘Avisford’, ‘The Meroo’. |
| 18 | July 15 | 2 | ‘From Louisa to Tambaroora’: Tambaroora and district; Opossum Creek. |
| 19 | July 20 | 2 | ‘From Tambaroora to Sofala’. |
| 20 | July 21 | 8 | Sofala, Turon, Big and Little Oakey Creeks. |
|  | July 23 | 4 | Editorial commenting on reports. |
| 21 | July 29 | 2 | ‘Sofala to Bathurst’: Bathurst and Kelso. |
| 22 | August 3 | 2 | ‘Bathurst’: ‘Bathurst to Tuena’: Coolooloo Creek, Moolgonia. |
| 23 | August 5 | 5 | ‘Bathurst to Tuena’: comment about Trunkey Creek, Tuena |
| 24 | August 18 | 4 | ‘Tuena to Goulburn’: Binda, Goulburn |

Much of these reports was summarized (though at some length) in the special ‘Sydney Overland Mail’ supplements written especially for overseas readers.[[1]](#footnote-1)

1. *Sydney Morning Herald*, May 23, 1857, pages 5-6, July 18, 1857, page 5, September 10, 1857, page 11. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)