British Contract Steamship

U.S. Accounting: Unpaid Incoming

Sent unpaid, 24¢ treaty rate

London debited 19/CENTS to the U.S.:

16¢ British packet 3¢ British inland

Cunard Caledonia: Liverpool 10 November Boston 24 November

Boston rated 24 cents due

Received 25 November

17 days



Prepaid 1/- treaty rate

Liverpool 5/CENTS credit to U.S. for inland

Cunard *Niagara*: Liverpool 25 August New York 7 September

Received 7 September

14 days

1848 Treaty Rates effective 15 February 1849

U.S. inland 5¢
Transatlantic 16¢
British inland 3¢



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Liverpool, 21 August 1849

Handstamp rate markers were unavailable for the first four westbound sailings under the 1848 treaty. Devices were delivered to the British exchange offices in mid-April 1849, to Boston in March 1849, and to New York in August 1849.