

VOYAGE au long cours à bord du MEZLY

17 septembre 1913 – 7 octobre 1914



1 – Drammen [Norvège] →

2 – Hamburg [Allemagne] →



3 – Melbourne [Australie] →

4 – Falmouth [UK] → 5 - North Shields [UK]

[12 mois et 21 jours]

Le MEZLY, appartenant à la Société Nouvelle d'Armement, est armé le 17 septembre 1913 à Hambourg, administrativement le 24 septembre à Nantes

Il quitte Hambourg le 20 septembre 1913,
arrive à Drammen (Norvège) le 24 septembre 1913.

Part pour l'Australie (Melbourne ou ?)

Arrive le 31 mars 1914 à Melbourne (P. Ahern p 38)

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Extrait du journal « The Argus (Melbourne, Vic) : Wednesday 1 April 1914 »

Quitte Melbourne le 16 mai 1914 chargé de blé (P. Ahern p 38)

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Extrait du journal « The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.) Saturday 30 May 1914 »

15 septembre 1914

NAVIRES ATTENDANT DES ORDRES
DANS LA MANCHE

Voilier allemand « Fritz », cap. Bade, arrivé à Falmouth le 11 septembre, venant de Caleta Buena avec un chargement de nitrate.

Voilier allemand « Geysir », cap. Krogh, arrivé à Falmouth le 11 septembre, venant d'Iquique avec un chargement de nitrate.

Voilier norvégien « Erik Gjessen », cap. Stromberg, arrivé à Falmouth le 11 septembre, venant de Rio Grande, avec un chargement de peaux.

Voilier français « **Mezly** », cap. Droguet, arrivé à Falmouth le 11 septembre, venant de Melbourne, avec un chargement de froment.

Voilier français « Michelet », cap. Rose, arrivé à Falmouth le 11 septembre, venant d'Anacortes, avec un chargement de bois.

Extrait « Lloyd anversois : journal maritime émanant des courtiers de navires »

IMPORTS

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Extrait du journal « Examiner (Launceston, Tas.) Monday 14 September 1914 »

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The barque Storesand has left the Baltic for Melbourne. The steamer Keramiai left for Sydney on Thursday.

Extrait du journal « The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW) Monday 14 September 1914 »

arrive à Falmouth, repart le 2 octobre 1914 pour North-Shields

arrive le 7 octobre à Newcastle on Tyne, à côté de North-Shields.