

PAPERS RELATIVE

TO THE

SUBMARINE TELEGRAPH ACROSS COOK STRAIT.

No. 1.

General Post Office,

Auckland, 8th December, 1864.

SIR,—

I am directed to forward to you the enclosed copy of an extract from the journals of the House of Representatives, and to request that you would be good enough to report, for the information of Government, where you consider would be the best points for crossing Cook's Strait with a telegraph line, and what would be the probable cost thereof.

I have, &c.,

G. ELLIOTT ELLIOTT,

Secretary.

- Alfred Sheath, Esq.,
Telegraphic Engineer, Christchurch.

Enclosure to No. 1.

Resolved: That a sub-marine line of telegraph be laid across Cook's Strait, to connect Wellington with the telegraph system of the Middle Island.

No. 2.

General Post Office,

Wellington, 10th May, 1865.

SIR,—

Referring to my letter, noted in the margin, enclosing copy of a resolution of the House of Representatives, and requesting your opinion on certain points with regard to crossing Cook's Strait with a