## PAPERS RELATING TO THE

### No. 14.

MR. G. ELIOTT ELIOTT TO CAPTAIN J. V. HALL.

General Post Office, Auckland, 20th December, 1862.

SIR,-

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, respecting the S.S. "Claud Hamilton," and to inform you in reply that the arrangements you have made for the employment of that vessel have been approved.

I have, &c.,

G. ELIOTT ELIOTT,

Secretary.

Captain J. Vine Hall, Sydney.

### No. 15.

CAPTAIN J. V. HALL, TO THE HONORABLE THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Inter-colonial Royal Mail Company,
Sydney and New Zealand,
Sydney, January 14th, 1863.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of December 20th, 1862, approving of the temporary employment of the "Claud Hamilton," and I take this opportunity of informing you that this vessel now brings the English Mail, the "Lord Ashley" being under refit, preparatory to taking up the East Coast service in March as arranged with Mr. Crosbie Ward.

I have, &c.,

JOHN VINE HALL.

The Honorable the Postmaster-General, Auckland, New Zealand.

# CORRESPONDENCE RESPECTING THE I.C.R.M.C. STEAMER "AUCKLAND."

### No. 1.

COPY OF DESPATCH FROM HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE, K.G., TO GOVERNOR SIR GEORGE GREY, K.C.B.

Downing Street, 26th February, 1863.

SIR,-

I transmit to you, for your information, a copy of a letter from the Postmaster-General, respecting the employment of the steam ship "Paulet" in the New Zealand Mail Service, under the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's Contract.

I have, &c.,

NEWCASTLE.

Governor Sir George Grey, K.C.B.

### No. 2.

MR. HILL TO SIR F. ROGERS.

General Post Office, Auckland, 24th February, 1863.

S1R,-

I am directed by the Postmaster-General to transmit to you, to be laid before the Duke of Newcastle, the enclosed copy of some correspondence which has taken place respecting the proposed