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**Grey-faced Petrel** (Oi) *Pterodroma macroptera gouldi* (Hutton 1869), Endemic September 1869 Auckland 19/9/1982 Norfolk Island 1990 Ross Sea (Marchant & Higgins 1990)

"This bird I first noticed in May 1866, off Tasmania, and thought, at the time, that it would be an undescribed species; but I was never able to examine a specimen until a few months ago, when one was left at the Museum of the Auckland Institute, the donor's name not being known. It is very common on the Tasmanian and New Zealand coasts, and is, undoubtedly, the bird that Mr. Gould refers to as "the dark Petrel with a grey face," which he shot off the coast of Tasmania, and which he suggests might be the *Procellaria macroptera*, of Dr. A. Smith. According to that author, however, the bird he called *P. macroptera*, has no grey face, but a white circle round the eye, and reddish-brown legs and feet, in all of which respects it differs from the present bird, as well, probably, as in its dimensions, although more specimens will have to be measured before this can be determined.

Considering, therefore, this bird to be a new species, I have named it after Mr. John Gould, to whose labours we are so largely indebted for our knowledge of the Petrels of the Southern Seas" (Hutton 1869b).

Scofield & Onley (2007) considered this a good species, distinct from Great-winged Petrel.