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Cook's Petrel (Titi) *Pterodroma cookii* (Gray 1843), Endemic
8/12/1839 Mount Egmont, Taranaki

Oliver stated that specimens, probably of this petrel, were collected on Cook's voyage on 7th October 1769 (by Banks) off East Cape, and on 6th January 1770, in the Tasman Sea off the Far North. Banks called his specimens *Procellaria velox*.

A specimen was collected by Dieffenbach from a burrow on the banks of the Mangaoraka Stream near Kai-
miro, north Taranaki in December 1839, and described by Gray in 1843 (Medway 2004). Bartle et al. (1993)
said that Great Barrier birds were separable on measurements. Whenua Hou (Codfish Island) birds also have
a different breeding timetable to northern birds. These may be undescribed races. Barrier birds migrate to
the North Pacific, and Codfish birds (formerly named *P. c. orientalis* Murphy 1929) migrate to Peruvian
seas.