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## NEW ZEALAND.

## SURVEY OFF CAPE PALLISER

(REPORT ON).

*Laid on the Table by the Hon. Mr. Larnach, with the Leave of the House.*

## MEMORANDUM for the SECRETARY, Marine Department.

THE result of the survey off Cape Palliser shows that there are dangers in its immediate locality not actually marked on the chart, but they are much closer inshore than where the "Ionic" reported she had struck, and closer in than a vessel of her draught had any business to be, and a long way inside the two miles stated in the *Pilot* within which a vessel should not pass. I have had prepared a copy of the survey for alteration in the future charts, and recommend that the accompanying Notice to Mariners be published.

13th August, 1885.

R. JOHNSON.

## REPORTED DANGER OFF CAPE PALLISER.

Marine Department, Wellington, N.Z., 15th August, 1885.

CAPTAIN JOHNSON, of this department, has made a survey of that part of the coast off Cape Palliser where the s.s. "Ionic" is reported to have struck on the 28th June last, and finds that there is a patch of sunken rocks, extending about seven cables south of the easternmost of the two points forming the cape, with a bank of foul ground extending one and a half miles from the shore.

He states that if masters comply with the direction given in the *New Zealand Pilot*, namely, "not to round the cape within two miles," their vessels will be in perfect safety.

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