

RECEIVED CABLES.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during the years 1915-16 and 1914-15, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

VIA PACIFIC.

					International.	Australian.
1915-16	...	...	...	...	41,933	52,596
1914-15	...	...	...	...	27,214	49,611
Increase	...	...	...	...	14,719	2,985

VIA EASTERN.

					International.	Australian.
1915-16	...	...	...	...	34,187	37,844
1914-15	...	...	...	...	24,816	31,549
Increase	...	...	...	...	9,371	6,295

PRESS.

The forwarded and received cable Press business for the past five years was,—

Year.	Forwarded.			Received.	
	Number of		Value.	Number of	
	Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.
1911-12	2,117	158,590	£ 1,298	6,682	582,247
1912-13	2,680	252,725	2,161	6,004	546,187
1913-14	3,846	455,175	2,729	6,212	621,923
1914-15	2,732	212,120	1,390	8,056	796,352
1915-16	2,505	201,665	1,384	9,739	967,485

RADIO-TELEGRAMS.

The radio business transacted by the New Zealand Coast Stations during the years 1915-1916 and 1914-1915 was as follows:—

Year.	Forwarded.				Received.		
	Number of		Amount earned by New Zealand.	Total Value.	Number of		Amount earned by New Zealand.
	Messages.	Words.			Messages.	Words.	
1915-16	3,076	61,759	£ 1,262	£ 2,296	4,666	71,291	£ 1,574
1914-15	2,418	47,998	712	1,077	4,656	64,284	1,049
Increases	658	13,761	540	1,219	10	7,007	525

The increase in the number of radio-telegraphic messages over the previous year was 27·2 and 0·21 per cent. for the forwarded and received respectively.