

TABLE B.

NUMBER of Interprovincial Letters forwarded during the Nine Months ended 31st December, 1879; Number of Telegrams despatched in each Provincial District during the Nine Months ended 31st March, 1880; and proportion of Telegrams to every 100 Letters; together with a similar Return for the previous Year.

District.	1879-80.			1878-79.		
	Number of Letters.	Number of Telegrams.	Proportion of Telegrams sent for every 100 Letters.	Number of Letters.	Number of Telegrams.	Proportion of Telegrams sent for every 100 Letters.
Wellington ...	1,434,015	255,970	17.84	1,289,165	367,342	28.40
Marlborough ...	122,028	21,541	17.65	181,338	25,761	14.20
Nelson ...	222,423	71,117	31.97	302,158	100,404	33.22
Canterbury ...	1,531,032	150,184	9.8	1,581,976	220,439	13.93
Westland ...	250,530	36,820	14.69	336,266	67,277	20.00
Otago ...	1,388,214	180,120	12.97	1,699,140	264,680	15.57
Southland ...	348,456	35,954	10.31	354,462	64,106	18.08
Hawke's Bay ...	336,924	42,534	12.62	406,854	64,830	15.93
Taranaki ...	99,399	28,050	28.21	123,919	28,927	23.34
Auckland ...	1,332,489	186,119	13.96	1,099,508	245,177	22.29

1879-80.	1878-79.	1877-78.	1876-77.	1875-76.	1874-75.	1873-74.	1872-73.	1871-72.	1870-71.	1869-70.
7,065,510	7,374,786	6,078,384	5,540,920	4,731,873	4,059,517	3,209,837	2,828,372	2,418,021	2,626,947	2,374,060
1,008,409	1,448,943	1,260,324	1,124,432	1,051,086	917,218	752,899	568,960	411,677	312,874	185,423
14.27	19.64	20.71	20.29	22.21	22.59	23.45	19.76	17.02	11.91	7.81
Total number of Letters	7,374,786	6,078,384	5,540,920	4,731,873	4,059,517	3,209,837	2,828,372	2,418,021	2,626,947	2,374,060
Total number of Telegrams	1,448,943	1,260,324	1,124,432	1,051,086	917,218	752,899	568,960	411,677	312,874	185,423
Proportion of Telegrams to every 100 Letters	19.64	20.71	20.29	22.21	22.59	23.45	19.76	17.02	11.91	7.81