

The NUMBER and VALUE of CABLE MESSAGES forwarded to INTERNATIONAL COUNTRIES, to NEW CALEDONIA, and to the several AUSTRALIAN COLONIES, during 1894, are shown in the following Statement :—

Destination.	Ordinary		Press.	
	No. of Messages.	Value.	No. of Messages.	Value.
International ..	5,963	£ 21,431 6 4	28	£ 326 13 10
New Caledonia	24	19 8 11		
New South Wales	14,812	3,341 2 3	841	532 3 11
Queensland	998	350 1 11		
South Australia ..	901	292 6 4		
Tasmania	1,148	416 13 9		
Victoria ..	10,352	2,909 10 9	125	40 7 0
Western Australia ..	515	204 19 3		
Total for 1894	34,713	28,965 9 6	994	899 4 9
Total for 1893	34,407	28,687 12 0	796	504 9 9

STATEMENT of TRAFFIC over the NEW ZEALAND-SYDNEY CABLE, for the Year from the 1st May, 1894, to the 30th April, 1895.

Amount guaranteed to Cable Company	£ 26,258
Actual receipts during the year	11,622
Showing a loss to the company of ..	£14,636
Apportioned as follows :—	
Cable Company, one-quarter ..	3,659
New Zealand, three-quarters	10,977
	£14,636
New Zealand's three-quarter share divided :—	
New Zealand <i>solus</i> , one-third (= one-quarter of total loss)	3,659
Contributing colonies, including New Zealand, two-thirds (= half of total loss) ..	7,318
	£10,977

The contributing colonies' proportion, divided on the basis of population :—

	Population (Census, April, 1891).	Amount.
		£ s. d.
Victoria	1,140,405	2,447 13 7
New South Wales	1,132,234	2,430 2 10
New Zealand ..	620,030	1,330 15 8
South Australia ..	320,431	687 15 0
Tasmania ..	146,667	314 15 11
Western Australia	49,782	106 17 0
	3,409,549	£7,318 0 0

The general increase of international cable traffic for the year ended 30th April last made it unnecessary for the colonies to contribute to the guarantee fund, the receipts having exceeded the guarantee by £976.

STATEMENT of the INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC on the EASTERN EXTENSION COMPANY'S EUROPEAN LINES in respect of the Cable Guarantee Fund, for the Year ended 30th April, 1895.

Amount guaranteed for the year	£ 237,736
Actual revenue	238,712
Surplus	£976

(New Zealand's share of the loss for the year ended 30th April, 1894, amounted to £1,126.)