## RECEIVED CABLES.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during the years 1914-15 and 1913-14, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

## VIA PACIFIC.

|              |          |     |     |     | In    | nternational. |                     | Australian. |  |  |
|--------------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|--|--|
| 1914-15      | • • •    |     |     |     |       | 27,214        |                     | 49,611      |  |  |
| 1913–14      | •••      |     | ••• |     | •••   | 30,010        |                     | 51,497      |  |  |
|              |          |     |     |     |       |               |                     | <del></del> |  |  |
|              | Decrease | ••• |     | ••• | • • • | 2,796         | $\mathbf{Decrease}$ | 1,886       |  |  |
|              |          |     |     |     |       |               |                     |             |  |  |
| Via Eastern. |          |     |     |     |       |               |                     |             |  |  |

|         |          |   |     | Iı   | nternatio <b>na</b> l | l.       | Australian. |
|---------|----------|---|-----|------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|
| 1914-15 |          | : |     | <br> | 24,816                |          | 31,549      |
| 1913-14 |          |   | ••• | <br> | 18,373                |          | 32,171      |
|         |          |   |     |      |                       |          |             |
|         | Increase |   |     |      | 6 443                 | Decrease | 622         |

## PRESS.

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

|         |     |       |     |       |           | Forwarded. | Received. |           |             |
|---------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
|         |     | Year. |     |       | Num       | ber of     |           | Number of |             |
|         |     |       |     |       | Messages. | Words.     | Value.    | Messages. | Words.      |
|         |     |       |     |       |           |            | £         |           |             |
| 1910    |     |       |     |       | 2,671 +   | 168,262    | 1,363     | 5,893     | 528,843     |
| 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     |
| 1011-10 | ••• | •••   | ••• | *** ; | _,,0      | 212,120    | 1,000     | 5,000     | , , , , , , |

## RADIO-TELEGRAMS.

The undermentioned return, covering the years 1913-14 and 1914-15, does not include weather telegrams and shipping advices, which are sent free over the radio-telegraphic system:—

|                    |      |           |                       | Fo              | rwarded.            | Received.                                     |                       |                    |                                               |
|--------------------|------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Year.              |      |           | Numl                  | per of          | Amount<br>earned by | Total Value.                                  | Number of             |                    | Amount<br>earned by                           |
|                    |      | Messages. | Words.                | New Zealand.    |                     | Messages.                                     | Words.                | New Zealand.       |                                               |
| 1014 18            |      |           |                       | 4 <b>7</b> .000 | £                   | £                                             |                       | a                  | £                                             |
| 1914-15<br>1913-14 | •••  | • • • •   | $\frac{2,418}{1,682}$ | 47,998 $22,162$ | 712<br>409          | $\begin{array}{c c} 1,077 \\ 625 \end{array}$ | $\frac{4,656}{3,618}$ | $64,284 \\ 36,918$ | $\begin{array}{c c} 1,049 \\ 748 \end{array}$ |
| Incre              | ases | •••       | 736                   | 25,836          | 303                 | 452                                           | 1,038                 | 27,366             | 301                                           |

The increase in the number of radio-telegraphic messages over the previous year was 43.7 and 28.7 per cent. for the forwarded and received respectively. Messages for Samoa and Pagopago, and also Papeete, are sent through the wireless system, and this traffic has compensated for the decrease in messages exchanged with ships since the end of July, 1914.