

TABLE 4, showing the effect of the Reduced Cable Rates on the International Traffic of the various Colonies.

TRAFFIC FORWARDED AND RECEIVED.

Year.	New South Wales.			Victoria.			New Zealand.			Queensland.		
	Messages.	Words.	Value.	Messages.	Words.	Value.	Messages.	Words.	Value.	Messages.	Words.	Value.
			£			£			£			£
At Old Rates—												
1889	18,211	193,747	85,307	21,541	291,436	119,680	8361	90,722	48,157	4019	53,068	25,755
1890	18,406	194,724	87,749	22,149	292,850	117,652	8673	83,871	44,212	5044	54,989	24,741
*At New Rates—												
Year ending April 30th												
1892...	29,104	370,633	76,595	31,691	538,440	103,364	5925	46,672	24,024	2513	20,407	8820
1893...	30,616	381,944	83,854	30,907	520,916	108,491	7588	75,850	26,472	1980	17,730	7542
1894...	28,269	372,840	91,473	29,209	540,284	126,454	11,631	149,668	38,650	1889	17,155	7665
1895...	28,994	381,084	93,785	28,696	458,277	106,228	11,608	154,948	40,155	1786	13,492	6109
1896...	34,393	453,189	113,131	32,641	540,885	129,282	14,949	221,714	57,377	1806	13,113	5882
1897...	37,743	500,545	125,934	35,818	553,293	133,176	19,223	294,246	76,769	1989	15,211	7041
Year.	South Australia.			Tasmania.			Western Australia.			GRAND TOTAL.		
	Messages.	Words.	Value.	Messages.	Words.	Value.	Messages.	Words.	Value.	Messages.	Words.	Value.
			£			£			£			£
At Old Rates—												
1889	8122	147,804	39,067	791	7122	3543	1264	10,018	4126	62,909	793,917	324,636
1890	10,429	181,101	48,406	891	7968	3709	1474	11,775	4999	67,066	827,278	331,468
At New Rates—												
Year ending April 30th												
1892...	12,021	255,138	34,695	1569	14,418	3344	2751	29,483	5791	85,574	1,275,191	256,633
1893...	13,741	270,571	37,545	1335	11,498	2729	2502	24,827	5136	88,669	1,303,336	271,770
1894...	15,162	267,863	41,060	1111	9843	2567	2500	23,747	5354	89,771	1,381,400	313,222
1895...	16,690	308,886	52,737	954	8501	2233	8008	134,256	31,306	96,736	1,459,446	332,554
1896...	16,909	300,175	56,609	1051	8939	2408	29,482	572,902	133,954	131,231	2,110,917	498,643
1897...	20,256	313,311	62,928	1321	12,581	3413	40,002	660,714	158,592	156,352	2,349,901	567,852

* The reduced rates came into operation on May 1, 1891, and was raised from 4s. to 4s. 9d. on January 1, 1893.

CABLE GUARANTEE FUND.

The following Table shows separately the Revenue accruing to Guarantee Account with Eastern Extension Telegraph Company from International Telegrams, and the amount required to supplement Receipts up to the Guarantee Revenue (viz., £237,736, or from 1st May, 1895, £227,000) :—

Year.	Actual Revenue from International Telegrams.	Amount paid by Contributing Colonies to supplement Receipts.	Balance: viz., Loss borne by Cable Co.	Total Receipts.
	£	£	£	£
1891-2	182,696	27,520	27,520	237,736
1892-3	194,180	21,778	21,778	237,736
1893-4	225,354	6191	6191	237,736
1894-5	238,712	Nil.	Nil.	238,712
1895-6	360,971	Nil.	Nil.	360,971
1896-7	407,941	Nil.	Nil.	407,941

TABLE showing Contribution of each Colony to Cable Guarantee.

	1891-2.			1892-3.			1893-4.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
South Australia	3161	4	3	2407	19	9	581	16	8
Victoria	11,250	13	4	8569	19	0	2070	14	6
Tasmania	1446	18	10	1102	3	6	266	6	4
New South Wales	11,170	1	1	8508	10	11	2055	17	10
New Zealand	...			815	4	9	1125	16	9
Western Australia	491	2	6	374	2	1	90	7	11
TOTAL	27,520	0	0	21,778	0	0	6191	0	0