RECEIVED CABLES.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during the years 1912-13 and 1913-14, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

| | | | | VIA PACI | FIC. | | | |
|---------|----------|-----|-----|-----------|-------|---------------|----------|-------------|
| | | | | | Iı | nternational. | | Australian. |
| 1913-14 | ••• | ••• | | | • • • | 30,010 | | 51,497 |
| 1912-13 | ••• | | ••• | | | 26,901 | | 51,366 |
| | | • | | | | | | |
| | Increase | ••• | ••• | | ••• | 3,109 | Increase | 131 |
| | | | | VIA EASTI | ERN. | | | |
| | | | | | I | nternational | | Australian. |
| 1913-14 | | | | ••• | | 18,373 | | 32,171 |
| 1912–13 | ••• | ••• | ••• | ••• | ••• | 16,326 | | 34,872 |
| | Increase | | | | | 2.047 | Decrease | 2.701 |

PRESS.

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

| | | | | Forwarded. | | | Received. Number of | |
|--|--|--|----------|---|---|--|---|---|
| • | | | Number o | | | | | |
| | | | | Messages. | Words. | Value. | Messages. | Words. |
| 1909 1910 1911–12 1912–13 1913–14* | | | | 2,270 2,671 2,117 2,680 3,846 | 199,291 168,262 158,590 252,725 455,175 | £ s. d. 2,230 18 3 1,362 13 10‡ 1,297 14 6 2,161 9 4 2,728 14 9 | 4,515 5,893 6,682 6,004 6,212 | 422,949 528,843 582,247 546,187 621,923 |

^{*} Includes 249 forwarded deferred Press messages at a value of £229 14s. 51d.

RADIO-TELEGRAMS.

The undermentioned return, covering the years 1912-13 and 1913-14, does not include weather telegrams and shipping advices, which are sent free over the radio-telegraphic system:—

| Year, | | |] | Forward | led. | Received. | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----------|----------------|--------------------|--|---------------|------------------|---|--|--|
| | | | Number of | | | Number of | | | | |
| | | Messages. | Words. | Total Value. | Messages. | Words. | Total Value. | | | |
| 1010 11 | | | | | £ s. d. | | | £ a. d. | | |
| 1913–14 1912-13 | ••• | ••• | 1,682 1,095 | $22,162 \\ 10,946$ | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 3,618 $1,932$ | 36,918 16,909 | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | | |
| Increases | | 587 | 11,216 | 190 6 3 | 1,686 | 20,009 | 643 4 8 | | | |