

RECEIVED CABLES.

The number of cable messages received in New Zealand during the years 1919-20 and 1918-19, exclusive of Press, was as follows:—

VIA PACIFIC.						
					International.	Australian.
1919-20	...	...	...	...	55,468	62,489
1918-19	...	...	...	...	39,959	46,264
Increase	...	...	...	...	15,509	16,225

VIA EASTERN.						
					International.	Australian.
1919-20	...	...	...	...	33,358	49,806
1918-19	...	...	...	...	76,349	35,607
Decrease	...	...	...	...	42,991	14,199

PRESS.

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

Year.				Forwarded.			Received.	
				Number of		Value.	Number of	
				Messages.	Words.		Messages.	Words.
1915-16	...	...	...	2,505	201,665	£ 1,384	9,739	967,485
1916-17	...	...	...	1,915	161,923	1,276	8,112	851,087
1917-18	...	...	...	1,546	129,162	1,003	6,763	679,710
1918-19	...	...	...	1,760	138,852	1,304	9,904	918,988
1919-20	...	...	...	2,713	185,376	1,591	9,965	703,322

RADIO-TELEGRAMS.

The radio business transacted by the New Zealand coast stations during the years 1919-20 and 1918-19 was as follows:—

Year.		Forwarded.				Received.		
		Number of		Amount earned by New Zealand.	Total Value.	Number of		Amount earned by New Zealand.
		Messages.	Words.			Messages.	Words.	
1919-20	...	11,589	192,822	£ 4,332	£ 9,114	19,109	248,063	£ 5,272
1918-19	...	4,482	93,507	2,035	5,245	6,570	105,889	2,545
Increase	...	7,107	99,315	2,297	3,869	12,539	142,174	2,727

The number of radio messages shows an increase of 158·57 and 190·85 per cent. on the forwarded and received traffic respectively. The amount earned by New Zealand shows an increase of 112·88 per cent. on the forwarded traffic, and an increase of 107·15 per cent. on the received traffic.