Minister's Decisions under Customs Duties Act.

Customs Department, Wellington, 10th August, 1915.

To is hereby notified for public information that the Hon. the Minister of Customs has decided to interpret the Customs Duties Act in relation to the undermentioned articles as follows:

Note.—"Not otherwise enumerated" appears as n.o.e.; "other kinds" as o.k.; "articles and materials suited only for, and to be used solely in, the fabrication of goods in the Dominion" as a. & m.s. Articles marked thus tare revised decisions.

	Goods.		Rate of Duty.	
Record.		Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	General Tariff.	Preferential Surtax on Foreign Goods
3/189	A. & m.s., viz.:— Cancpy pins, being ironfounders' shanks or pins for the manufacture of ranges, &c.			
7/54	Eucalyptus oil for soap-making, when mixed with 2 per cent. kerosene			
6/5	Paper for making envelopes—viz., Union bank paper printed on one side with rhomboidal pattern to render envelopes non-transparent	As s. & m.s	Free.	
3/186	Zinc plates, rolled, plain, in the rough, not bored or otherwise worked Carriage materials, viz.:—			
11/29	Steel rims, plain (claimed as parts of motor-vehicle wheels, but not identifiable as such)	As manufactured articles of metal n.o.e.	20 per cent	10 per cent.
3/184	"Genasco kleets," used in fastening "Genasco" or other roofing-material	As manufactured articles of metal	20 per cent	10 per cent.
17/9	Ledkore (lead and asphalt sheets) Scientific apparatus, viz.:—	As n.o.e	Free.	
16/24	Boiler test-pump, for determining and registering the pressure capacity of boiler tubes	As scientific apparatus	Free.	
7/4/2 7/4/11	Wood-stains—viz., Kleartone oil stain, and Tuna mahogany stain	As paints mixed ready for use	5s. the cwt	1s. the cwt.

Minister's Order D. 10.]

W. B. MONTGOMERY, Comptroller of Customs.

Tenders for Supply of Coal, 1915-16.

Railway Department (Head Office), Wellington, 30th June, 1915.

THE following list of successful tenders for the supply and delivery of screened coal for the New Zealand Government Railways for year ending 31st March, 1916, is published for general information.

E. H. HILEY, General Manager, New Zealand Government Railways.

Tenderer.	Place of Delivery.	Kind of Coal.		Approxi- nate Quantity	Rate per Ton
				Tons.	£ s. (
Hikurangi Coal Company	Waro	Hikurangi		3,800	0 10
Taupiri Coal-mines (Limited)	Huntly	"Ralphs" or "Extended	,	15,000	0 10 9
Waipa Railway and Collieries (Limited)	Ngaruawahia	Waipa		10,000	0 10 9
Westport Coal Company (Limited)	Auckland	Westport		8,000	1 6 (
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	Onehunga	Stockton		10,000	1 5 9
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	,	Blackball		7,000	1 5
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	New Plymouth	Stockton		4,000	1 5 9
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	"	Blackball		2,000	1 5
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	Wanganui	Stockton		12,000	1 6
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)		Blackball		4,000	1 6
Westport Coal Company (Limited)	Wellington	Westport		9,000	1 4
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	,	Stockton		12,000	1 2 1
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	,	Blackball		14,000	1 2
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	Napier	Stockton		3,000	1 5
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	-, · · · ·	Blackball		4,000	1 5
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	Lyttelton	Stockton		6,000	1 3
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	,	Blackball		10,000	1 3
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	Timaru	Stockton		4,000	1 5
	Oamaru	,		1,000	1 5
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	,,	Blackball		3,000	1 4
Westport Coal Company (Limited)	Dunedin	Westport		10,000	1 6
Westport-Stockton Coal Company (Limited)	,,	Stockton		8,000	1 4
Blackball Coal Company (Limited)	,	Blackball		6,000	1 4
New Zealand Coal and Oil Company (Limited)	Stirling	Kaitangata		4,000	0 10
Bruce Railway and Coal Company	Milton	Waronui		8,000	0 8 1
Wairio Railway and Coal Company	Wairio	Wairio		7,000	0 10
Nightcaps Coal Company	Nightcaps	Nightcaps		18,000	0 8
Westport Coal Company (Limited)	Bluff	Westport		3,000	1 6