## Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 6th February, 1923.

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

Note.—"Not elsewhere included" appears as n.e.i.; "other kinds" as o.k.; "articles and materials suited for, and to be used solely in, the fabrication or repair of goods within New Zeuland" as a. and m.s. Articles marked thus t are revised decisions.

Record.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	Rate of Duty.		
			British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
	A. and m.s., viz. :—				
5/33/2	Fasteners, viz.,— Dome fasteners, specially suited for use in the manufacture and repair of motor-car and carriage hoods	As a. and m.s. (643)	Free	Free	Free.
3/196	Fishing-rods, materials specially suited for the manufacture of, viz.,—  Rods, rounded greenheart, in the			-	
	rough Rods, split-cane, in the rough, with metal centres	As a. and m.s. (643)	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
5/211/4	Hatmakers materials, viz.,— Twill buckram stiffeners, consisting of a strip of coarse buckram about 2 in. wide lined with silesia, used in manufacture of caps	As a. and m.s. (643)	Free	Free	Free.
11/37/6	Vehicles, all kinds, fittings for, viz.,— Belt-rims, in the rough, for motor- cycles, when not bored, japanned, plated, enamelled, or varnished	As a. and m.s. (643)	Free	10 per cent.	10 per cent.
5/40	Yarns, viz.,—  Mercerised cotton yarns, when de- clared for use in the manufacture of tweeds	As a. and m.s. (643)	Free	Free	Free.
†18/28/3	Articles n.e.i., viz.:— Rubber, in sheets, plain coloured, and not being ribbed, grooved, or similarly surfaced. (Revises decision on page 97 of Tariff-book.)	As articles n.e.i. (644)	Free	Free	Free.
2/167	Boilers, parts of, viz.:— Thermo - feed regulator, an appliance used to maintain the level of the water in a steam boiler at a definite height	As boilers, &c., parts of (414)	20 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
3/529	Electric appliances and materials, viz.:— Timer or distributor for oil-engines, the "Blueblaze," a revolving switch for electrically regulating the explosions in the cylinders of the engine	As switches, or circuit- breakers (433E)	Free	10 per cent.	10 per cent.
18/28/3	Floor-coverings, viz.:— Rubber in sheets, when ribbed, grooved, or similarly surfaced, or bearing a design in colour, or otherwise indicat- ing its use for floor-coverings or step- treads	As floor-coverings n.e.i. (216)	20 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
3/266/4	Gas-heating appliances, viz.:— Califonts and geysers (water - heaters suited for domestic use), gas-heated	As gas-heaters and similar gas-heating appliances (530)	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
9/15/3	Leather, japanned or enamelled, viz.:— Leather, japanned or enamelled, lined with cotton fabric, specially suited for the manufacture of motor-car hoods Machinery, machines, and appliances, n.e.i., peculiar to use in manufactur-	As leather, japanned or enamelled (243)	Free	Free	Free.
2/279	ing and industrial processes, viz.:— Cachet "machine," for filling headache and similar cachets, consisting of a hinged pair of perforated metal plates; also funnel, rammer, and squeegee used with the same				
2/292	Cigarette - making machine, and auto- matic tobacco feeder therefor, for fac- tory use	As machines, &c., pecu- liar to use in industrial	Eree	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
2/292	Cigarette-packing machine, for factory use	processes (481) (2)			
2/137/5	Cloth-pattern cutting machine, "Har-daker's," for cutting patterns of cloth in woollen-factories, warehouses, &c., for supply to travellers, buyers, &c.			TO POST COMMAND	