Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 16th January, 1928.

IT 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:—

NOTES.—(*a*) "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 Zealand" as a. and m.s. (*b*) Articles marked thus † are revised decisions. (*c*) Wherever the General Tariff rate shown opposite any goods enumerated in these decisions is lower than that provided for in the First Schedule to the Customs Amendment Act, 1927, action has been taken by the Minister under section 11 of the Customs Amendment Act, 1927. In such cases the reduced rate is marked with an asterisk.

Record.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	Rate of Duty.	
			British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.
	Apparel, n.e.i., viz.:—			
8/15/2	Glove-protectors, being leather gloves for protecting linesmen's rubber gloves	As apparel, n.e.i (137) ..	25 per cent.	45 per cent.
	A. and m.s., viz.:—			
	Advertising buttons, brooches, or novelties, spring pins and stamped metal backs and rims for the manufacture of	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Agricultural implements and machines, materials for, viz.,—			
	Coulter-points, unbent, for toes of seed-drills	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Cultivator shoe-plates, being steel plate cut to shape, in the rough, peculiarly suited for the manufacture of cultivators	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Discs peculiarly suited for the manufacture of turnip-ridgers	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Iron sheets, perforated ("lipped") for making screens for threshing-mills	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Plough-discs, circular plates for the manufacture of	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Seats, stamped steel, with reinforced centres specially suited for ploughs, reaping-machines, &c.	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Wooden thumb-screws for oil-holes of plough-wheels	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Aluminium chequered plates or sheets, in commercial sizes, not being cut to a special size to fit any particular article—*e.g.*, a motor-vehicle	As a. and m.s. 448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Aluminium strips, plain, whether frosted or otherwise	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Apparel, articles and materials for the manufacture of, viz.,—			
	Belts, fittings for—			
	Clasps, nickelplated (special Girl Guide design)	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Clasps, nickelplated, lettered "The Boy Scout B.P.," for the manufacture of Boy Scout belts	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Hooks, plain metal, for use with buckles in fastening ladies' belts	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Rings, split, bronzed or nickelplated, with or without billet-hooks, on declaration by a manufacturer that they will be used by him solely in the manufacture of Boy Scout belts	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Slides of erinoid for the manufacture of ladies' belts	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Snake fastenings, and plain unornamental slides, of base metal, for the manufacture of belts	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Brace-mountings of metal for the manufacture of braces	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Cuffs, cotton, knitted in long lengths, to be cut up for the manufacture of hosiery in New Zealand	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	15 per cent.
	Dome fasteners, "Durable Dot" fasteners, "Lift the Dot" fasteners, and press studs, suited for use in the manufacture of apparel	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Dress-preservers, suited only for use in making up apparel	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Garters, celluloid fittings for manufacture of..	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Gloves, metal roller loops, being fasteners for wrist-straps of	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
	Plaquet-fasteners, also plaquet-grips set in textile, braid, or galloons	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Neckwear, articles used in making up, viz.—			
	Escur springs or tie-clips, wire fasteners, stud-fasteners, French fitting fasteners, retainers, steels 1 in. and 3½ in., Rodney cards, and pins specially suited for making neckties and having a pierced plate to admit of being sewn on	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
	Flannelette in long lengths cut into narrow strips specially shaped for tie-linings	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.