

## Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 30th November, 1931.

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. (d) Steam-engines, gas-engines, oil-engines, and electric or other motors are not, unless otherwise indicated, to be regarded as parts of the machines with which they are imported. (e) Surtax as provided for in section 5 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1930, or primage duty as provided for in section 4 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1931, as the case may be, is payable in addition to the duties set out hereunder.

Record.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No	Rate of Duty.	
			British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.
9/64/5	A. and m.s., viz. :— Chemicals, &c., used in manufactures, viz.,— Tanners', &c., materials, viz.— "Ideal" bleach extract manufactured by Calder and Mersey Extract Co., Ltd., London	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
9/5/65	"Sellatan," a synthetic tannin .. .. Weaving, dyeing, &c., of textiles, materials used in connection with, viz.—	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
4/389	Ethylene dichloride (dichlorethylene) ..	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
18/2/4	Diaphragms, rubber, on declaration by a manu- facturer that they will be used by him only in the manufacture of agricultural hand-spray pumps, or in the repair of such pumps made by him	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	10 per cent.
5/37/36	Hats and caps, articles and materials used in the manufacture of, viz.,— Fabrics peculiar to hatmaking, not being mil- linery trimmings, viz.— Felt in strips reinforced with textile ..	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	10 per cent.
5/37/36	Silk piece-goods embroidered, and attached to a buckram-like backing	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
†30/122/10	Textile piece-goods, viz.,— Union textiles, in the piece, tubular woven, the invoice price of which does not exceed the equivalent of 1s. 3d. per sq. yd. of the material if opened out, when cut up and made into underclothing in accordance with conditions applicable to union textiles under Tariff item 187 (NOTE.—Revises decision in M.O. 37.)	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	10 per cent.
†7/70/6	Articles n.e.i., viz. :— Sheepmarkers, viz.,— Tattoo oil, Bell brand .. .. (NOTE.—Revises decision on page 533 of the Tariff-book.)	As articles n.e.i. (449)	Free	Free.
†13/155	Bags, textile n.e.i., viz. :— Bags, string net .. .. (NOTE.—Revises decision on page 251 of the Tariff-book.)	As bags made of textile n.e.i. (138)	20 per cent.	45 per cent.
20/47/111	Educational apparatus, appliances, articles, and materials, viz. :— "Gap-maps," cardboard cut-outs of varying patterns to be attached to a blackboard to leave in outline a map of the particular country desired	As educational apparatus (416)	Free	Free.
†13/155	Haberdashery n.e.i., viz. :— Needle-cases, sewing-boxes, or work-boxes in- cluding needles, thread, scissors, thimbles, &c., packed therein at time of importation (NOTE.—Revises decision in M.O. 27.)	As haberdashery n.e.i. (161)	20 per cent.	45 per cent.
†13/155	Rings, plain or twisted, of "Erinoid," celluloid, or similar material, used as handles for ladies' handbags (NOTE.—Revises decision on page 253 of the Tariff-book.)			
4/303/2	Infants' and invalids' foods, viz. :— "Vitavose," Squibbs .. ..	As infants' and invalids' foods (43)	Free	10 per cent.
†13/155	Jewellery, viz. :— Sleeve links, gold fronted, and gold-plated .. (NOTE.—Revises decision on page 253 of the Tariff-book.)	As Jewellery (242) ..	25 per cent.	50 per cent.