1898. NEW ZEALAND

## ${f CUSTOMS}$ ${f TARIFF}.$

(RETURNS SHOWING, COMPARATIVELY, AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM ALTERATIONS OF RATES IN 1895-96, 1896-97, AND 1897-98.)

Laid on the Table of the House of Representatives by Leave.

Return showing Items on which there has been a Change of Rate in the Customs Tariff, with a Comparison of the Amount of Duty paid from the 1st October, 1895, to the 31st March, 1896, with what would have been paid if the former Rates of Duty had continued.

[Note.—The Customs and Excise Duties Bill was finally reported from Committee of the whole House on the 26th September, 1895. This return is commenced from 1st October, 1895, to fit in with the quarterly statistical returns.]

Item.			Amount of Duty paid, 1st October, 1895, to 31st March, 1896.	Duty payable if former Rate had continued	Increase.	Decrease.
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			£	£	£	£
Alkali—Soda-ash			•••	238	•••	238
Animals—Horses			273	•••	273	
Apparel made to order		•••	477	300	177	
Arms—			:			
Caps, percussion				$240\cdots$		240
Cartridges, 10–24 bore			1,136	683*	453	
" n.o.e			231	174	57	
Cartridge-cases			143	78*	65	
Firearms			656	492	164	
Beer	•••		9,683	7,262	2,421	
Belting, other than leather				412*		412
Beverages—						
Coffee-essence.†						1: 5: 5: 1: 2
Limejuice, sweetened	•••		105	84	21	
Unenumerated.†						No see 1 to 1 to 1
Boots and shoes	•••		14,270	12,680	1,590	
Brushware—					•	
Brooms			180	144	36	
N.o.e	•••		839	671	168	
Carpeting and druggeting			1,743	1,307	436	12.0
Casks, empty	•••		37	28	- 9	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimated.