

APPENDIX C.

ALTERATIONS IN THE TARIFFS OF THE AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1882-3.

NOTE.—The *Victorian Year-Book* for 1881-2 contained a statement of the Tariffs of all the Australasian Colonies. From the date of the publication of that work to the time of going to press no changes have been made in such Tariffs except in the case of South Australia (Northern Territory only) and New Zealand. The following are the alterations referred to, the articles being arranged in order according to the system of classification given in paragraph 991 *ante*.

Order.	Articles.	Rate of Duty.	
		Former.	Present.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
SOUTH AUSTRALIA (NORTHERN TERRITORY).*			
14	Opium per lb.	0 10 0	1 0 0
22	Rice ”	0 3 0	0 0 0½
”	Sugar of all kinds and Molasses per cwt.	0 3 0	0 5 0
23	Tea per lb.	0 0 3	0 0 6
EXPORT DUTY—			
31	Gold per oz. troy	Free	0 1 0
NEW ZEALAND.			
3	Paintings, Statuary, and Works of Art presented to or imported by any museum, public library, or other public institution for use therein or for public exhibition ...	15 per cent.	Free
6	Surveyors' steel bands	”	”
9	Scythes	”	”
10	Saddlers' Straining, Surcingle, Brace, Girth, and Roller Webs; Collar, Cheek, and Legging Buckles	”	”
17	Forfar Sheeting in the piece	”	”
”	Duck in the piece	”	”
19	Brace Elastic and Brace Mountings	”	”
”	Tailors' Brown Linen, Striped and Checked Drills, Hessians, Union Body-Linings, Jeans, Pocketings, Buckram, Wadding, Padding, Stay Binding, Buckles, and Buttons	”	”
20	Butter Cloth	”	”
”	Blind Webbing	”	”
32	Bellows Nails and Tacks	”	”
35	Bookbinders' Staple Presses, Wire Staples, and Staple Sticks	”	”
”	Staymakers' Jean, Ticks, Lasting, Sateen, Cotell, Binding, Eyelet Holes, and Corset Fasteners	”	”
...	Articles and Materials (as may from time to time be specified by the Commissioner) which are suited only for, and are to be used and applied solely in, the fabrication of goods within the colony	”

* These duties are imposed under the *Northern Territory Customs Act*, No. 254, of 1882. With these exceptions, the South Australian Customs Tariff is in operation in the Northern Territory.

NOTE.—A Royal Commission was appointed on the 20th September, 1881, to inquire into the working of the Victorian Tariff. It has recently presented its Report to Parliament.