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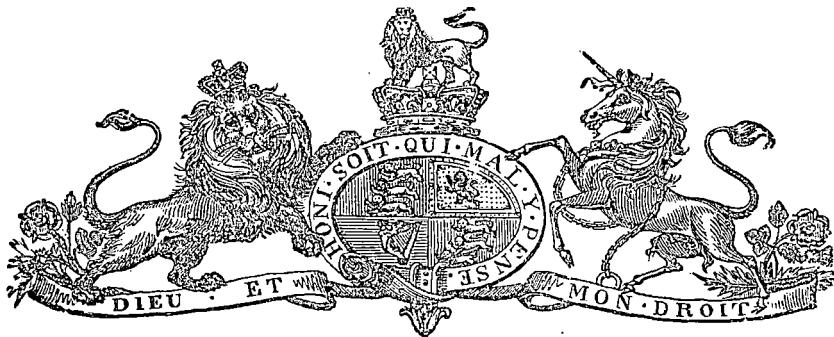
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MEMORANDUM ADDRESSED BY THE COLONIAL TREASURER
TO THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS.

Laid on the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be
printed, 1 August, 1862.



MEMO.

THE accompanying Memo. is forwarded to the Collector of Customs, Hobart Town, for his guidance, being Replies to the Queries submitted to the Government by the Collector in his Memo. of the 5th instant.

T. V. JEAN.

Colonial Treasury, 18th February, 1862.

The Collector of Customs, Hobart Town.

MEMO.

1st. How are the values to be arrived at,—by net Invoice, or on the gross amount? And what per cent. to be added so as to arrive at the market value?

2nd. When Invoice is produced, are the packages to be passed without examination, or a certain number in each lot to be taken to the Examining Warehouse; *if so, how many?*

3rd. Provision will have to be made for place to examine Goods in.

4th. Goods arriving from Melbourne, which have been purchased there, in many cases 50 or 70 per cent. below real value, and no true Invoice can be got, how are they to be dealt with so as to arrive at the real market value? If this be not well provided for, the trade will suffer.

5th. When the contents of a case are found to be various, and no Invoice produced, how is the value to be arrived at?

6th. Vinegar and similar articles liable to duty by the gallon, are they to be gauged, or taken at an average?

7th. Goods, such as Hams, &c., are they to be *actually weighed*, or to be passed at Invoice weight?

8th. Goods entered to be bonded, are such to be examined and particularised on going into the Bonding Warehouse, or when entered out for Home Consumption?

9th. Goods bonded, say 10 Cases Haberdashery, value £1000: one of the above 10 may be required for Home Consumption, and the particulars of *each* case not appearing in the Invoice, how is the value to be arrived at?

10th. Special instructions will be required as to landing of Goods, as the Goods of each Importer and under each entry will require to be placed by themselves to enable the proper Officer to inspect and pass the several lots.

H. D'ARCH.

5 February, 1862.

MEMO. of the Replies of the Government to the Queries submitted by the Collector of Customs at Hobart Town:—

1. On the real and true value, say,—

On Drapery, Silks, &c., Haberdashery, Cotton, 15 per cent. advance on the original Invoice cost of the Goods.

On Ironmongery, Glass, &c., 20 per cent.

On Earthenware, 40 per cent.

On Glassware, 30 per cent.

2. This must be left to the discretion of the Officers of Customs, who have power to examine all packages they think fit; but, as a rule, it would no doubt not be necessary to examine one package in 50, except when doubt may arise in the minds of the Officers of Customs.

3. Provided for.

5. Particulars of the value of the contents of each package must be furnished by the Importer.
6. Vinegar. Guage one package, and average rest.
7. Invoice weight, if all parties are agreed ; if disputed, re-weigh.
8. When entering out for Home Consumption.
9. By examination.
10. See how you get on.

WITH reference to the Memorandum forwarded to you yesterday, on the subject of Valuations for the Entry of Goods subject to *ad Valorem* Duty, I now beg to supplement the Reply to Query No. 1, by including among the articles subject to 15 per cent. advance on Invoice,—

	Boots and Shoes.
	Drugs.
	Stationery.
Subject to 20 per cent.,—	Toys.
	Hats and Caps.
	Fancy Goods.
Subject to 40 per cent.,—	Hollowware.

And with respect to other Goods not enumerated, you are directed to furnish a List of them to the Government, with suggestions as to the rate of advance you would recommend to be charged.

W. HENTY.

Colonial Treasury, 19th February, 1862.

THE following Gentlemen have been approved of by the Government as Valuators:—

Drapery and General Outfits.

Messrs. J. Perkins.	Messrs. A. Kissock.
N. Lewis.	A. Cumming.
G. Salier.	R. A. Mather.
P. O. Fysche.	J. A. Corrie.
B. Rout.	W. Purkiss.

Groceries.

Messrs. W. Crosby.	Messrs. A. Huybers.
S. Moses.	A. Wilkins.
J. Perkins.	W. Murray.
D. Macpherson.	J. A. Corrie.
W. Boys.	

Ironmongeries.

Messrs. J. Harcourt.	Messrs. J. Moir.
W. J. Rout.	G. Hutton.
R. Henry.	H. J. Marsh.

Toys, Fancy Ware, and Stationery.

Messrs. J. H. Walsh.	Messrs. S. Moses.
E. Marwedel.	J. M'C. Browne.
L. Susman.	T. Jackson.

All Goods sold by Jewellers and Watchmakers

Messrs. F. Abbott.	Messrs. S. Moses.
D. Barclay.	W. Cole.

W. HENTY, (*pro Colonial Treasurer, absent.*)

Colonial Treasury, 18th February, 1862.