CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE).

No. 38 of 1926.

An Act to ratify an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand in relation to Preferential Duties of Customs

[Assented to 11th August, 1926.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Customs Tariff (New Zealand Short title and Preference) 1926.

- (2.) The Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1922* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1922-1926.
- 2. The Agreement made on the thirtieth day of April One Ratification of thousand nine hundred and twenty-six between the Commonwealth agreement with of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand (a copy whereof is set forth in the Schedule to this Act) is hereby ratified and confirmed.

THE SCHEDULE.

AGREEMENT made this thirtieth day of April One Thousand nine hundred and twentysix Between the Commonwealth of Australia (hereinafter called "the Commonwealth") of the one part and The Dominion of New Zealand (hereinafter called "the Dominion") of the other part:

WHEREAS this Agreement is supplemental to an Agreement under seal (hereinafter called "the principal Agreement") made the eleventh day of April One thousand onine hundred and twenty-two between the parties hereto and contained in the Schedule to the Act passed by the Parliament of the Commonwealth entitled the Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1922 (Act No. 3 of 1922) and in the Appendix to the Act passed by the Parliament of the Dominion entitled the "Tariff Agreement (New Zealand and Australia) Ratification Act, 1922 (Chapter 7 of 1922).

AND WHEREAS the effect of the principal Agreement was modified in Australia to the extent set out in the Act passed by the Parliament of the Commonwealth entitled the "Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1922 (No. 2)" (Act No. 36 of 1922)

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and in New Zealand to the extent set out in an Order in Council made in New Zealand on the 24th day of October, 1922, and published in the New Zealand Gazette on the 26th day of the same month.

AND WHEREAS the parties hereto desire to vary further the principal Agreement in the manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:

- 1. The principal Agreement is varied further as set forth hereunder:
 - (a) By the substitution for Clause 2 of the principal Agreement, of the following clause
 - "2. The Commonwealth shall not impose any customs duty or increase the rate of any customs duty on any article the produce or manufacture of the Dominion entering the Commonwealth from the Dominion, and the Dominion shall not impose any customs duty or increase the rate of any customs duty on any article the produce or manufacture of the Commonwealth entering the Dominion from the Commonwealth (whether such article is or is not specifically enumerated in the Schedule hereto, and whether such article is or is not dutiable at the date of this Agreement), except by mutual agreement, until after six calendar months' notice to the other party to this Agreement ".
 - (b) By adding after the words "Meats, potted or preserved" in item numbered 26 the words "(not including mutton birds)".
- 2. The provisions of paragraph (a) of Clause 1 of this Agreement shall be deemed to have operated on and after the second day of September one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and the provisions of paragraph (b) of the said Clause shall be deemed to have operated on and after the first day of February one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.
- 3. SAVE and except as it has been varied as hereinbefore recited and as it is varied by this Agreement the principal Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED by the HONOURABLE HERBERT EDWARD PRATTEN Minister of State for Trade and Customs of the Commonwealth of Australia for and on behalf of the Commonwealtn in the presence of-

R. McK. OAKLEY Comptroller-General of Customs.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED by the HONOURABLE WILLIAM DOWNIE STEWART Minister of Customs of the Dominion of New Zealand for and on behalf of the Dominion in the presence of-

> GEO. CRAIG Comptroller of Customs.

WM. DOWNIE STEWART.

H. E. PRATTEN.