Convention between the United States and China for the Regulation of Trade. Concluded November 8, 1858. November 8, 1858.

Preamble

WHEREAS a treaty of peace, amity, and commerce between the Ta Tsing Empire and the United States of America was concluded at Tientsin, and signed at the Temple of Hai-Kwang on the eighteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, corresponding with the eighth day of the fifth moon of the eighth year of Hienfung: which said treaty was duly ratified by His Majesty the Emperor of China on the third day of July following, and which has been now transmitted for ratification by the President of the United States, with the advice and consent of the Senate: and whereas in the said treaty it was provided among other things that the tariff of duties to be paid by citizens of the United States on the export and import of goods from and into China shall be the same as was agreed upon at the treaty of Wang-hia, except so far as it may be modified by treaties with other nations, it being expressly agreed that citizens of the United States shall never pay higher duties than those paid by the most favored nations: and whereas since the signature of the said treaty material modifications of the said tariff and other matters of detail connected with and having relation to the said treaty have been made under mutual discussions by commissioners appointed to that end by the Plenipotentiaries of China, Great Britain, and France, to which the assent of the United States of America is desired and now freely given, it has been determined to record such assent and agreement in the form of a supplementary treaty, to be as binding and of the same efficacy as though they had been inserted in the original treaty.

Tariff hereto attached, to be enforced.

ARTICLE I. The tariff and regulations of trade and transit hereunto attached, bearing the seals of the respective Plenipotentiaries of the United States and the Ta Tsing Empire, shall henceforward and until duly altered under the provisions of treaties be in force at the ports and places open to commerce.

Contracting parties.

In faith whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries of the United States of America and of the Ta Tsing Empire, to wit, on the part of the United States, William B. Reed, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary; and on the part of the Ta Tsing Empire Kweiliang, a member of the Privy Council, Captain-General of the Plain White Banner Division of the Manchu Bannermen, and Superintendent of the Board of Punishments; and Hwashana, Classical Reader at Banquets, President of the Board of Civil Office, Captain-General of the Bordered Blue Banner Division of the Chinese Bannermen, both of them Plenipotentiaries; with Ho Kwei-tsing, Governor-General of the two Kiang Provinces, President of the Board of War, and Guardian of the Heir-Apparent; Mingshen, President of the Ordnance Office of the Imperial Household, with the Insignia of the Second Grade; and Twan, a titular President of the Fifth Grade, member of the Establishment of the General Council, and one of the junior under Secretaries of the Board of Punishments, all of them special Imperial Commissioners deputed for the purpose, have signed and sealed these presents.

Signatures.

Done at Shanghai this eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and the Independence

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of the United States of America the eighty-third, and in the eighth year of Hienfung the tenth month and third day.

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HWASHANA.
HO KWEI-TSING. [SEAL.]
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TWAN.

TARIFF ON IMPORTS.

Tariff on imports.

	T.	M.	C.	C.
Agar-agar, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Asafœtida, do	0	6	5	0
Beeswax, yellow, per 100 catties	1	0	0	0
Betelnut, do	0	1	5	0
Betelnut, husk, do	0	0	7	5
Bicho de Mar, black, do	1	5	0	0
Do white, do	0	3	5	0
Bird nests, 1st quality, per catty	0	5	5	0
Do 2d do do	0	4	5	0
Do 3d do or uncleaned, per catty	0	1	5	0
Buttons, brass, per gross	0	0	5	5
Camphor, baroos, clean, per catty	1	3	0	0
Do. refuse, do	0	7	2	0
Canvas and cotton duck, not exceeding fifty yards long, per piece	0	4	0	0
Cardamoms, superior, per 100 catties	1	0	0	0
Do. inferior, or grains of Paradise, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Cinnamon, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Clocks, 5 per cent. ad valorem.				
Cloves, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Cloves, mother, per 100 catties	0	1	8	0
Coal, foreign, per ton	0	0	5	0
Cochineal, per 100 catties	5	0	0	0
Coral, per catty	0	1	0	0
Cordage, Manilla, per 100 catties	0	3	5	0
Cornelians, per 100 stones	0	3	0	0
Do beads, per 100 catties	7	0	0	0
Cotton, raw, per 100 catties	0	3	5	0
Cotton piece goods, gray, white, plain, and twilled, exceeding 34 inches wide, and not exceeding 40 yards long, per piece	0	0	8	0
Cotton piece goods, exceeding 34 inches wide, and exceeding 40 yards long, per every 10 yards	0	0	2	0
Cotton piece goods, drills and jeans, not exceeding 30 inches wide, and not exceeding 40 yards long, per piece	0	1	0	0
Cotton piece goods, drills and jeans, not exceeding 30 inches wide, and not exceeding 30 yards long, per piece	0	0	7	5
Cotton piece goods, T cloths, not exceeding 34 inches wide, and not exceeding 48 yards long, per piece	0	0	8	0
Cotton piece goods, T cloths, not exceeding 34 inches wide, and not exceeding 24 yards long, per piece	0	0	4	0
Cotton, dyed, figured, and plain, not exceeding 36 inches wide, and not exceeding 40 yards long, per piece	0	1	5	0
Cotton, fancy, white brocade and white spotted shirtings, not exceeding 36 inches wide, and not exceeding 40 yards long, per piece	0	1	0	0

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	T.	M.	C.	C.
Cotton, printed chintzes and furnitures, not exceeding 31 inches wide, and not exceeding 30 yards long, per piece	0	0	7	0
Cotton cambrics, not exceeding 46 inches wide, and not exceeding 24 yards long, per piece	0	0	7	0
Cotton cambrics, not exceeding 46 inches wide, and not exceeding 12 yards long, per piece	0	0	3	5
Cotton muslins, not exceeding 46 inches wide, and not exceeding 24 yards long, per piece	0	0	7	5
Cotton muslins, not exceeding 46 inches wide, and not exceeding 12 yards long, per piece	0	0	3	5
Cotton damasks, not exceeding 36 inches wide, and not exceeding 40 yards long, per piece	0	2	0	0
Cotton dimities, or quiltings, not exceeding 40 inches wide, and not exceeding 12 yards long, per piece	0	0	6	5
Cotton ginghams, not exceeding 28 inches wide, and not exceeding 30 yards long, per piece	0	0	3	5
Cotton handkerchiefs, not exceeding one yard square, per dozen	0	0	2	5
Cotton fustians, not exceeding 35 yards long, per piece	0	2	0	0
Cotton velveteens, not exceeding 34 yards long	0	1	5	0
Cotton thread, per 100 catties	0	7	2	0
Do yarn, per 100 catties	0	7	0	0
Cow bezoar, Indian, per catty	1	5	0	0
Cutch, per 100 catties	0	1	8	0
Elephants' teeth, whole, per 100 catties	4	0	0	0
Do do broken, do do	3	0	0	0
Feathers, kingfisher's, peacock's, per 100	0	4	0	0
Fishmaws, per 100 catties	1	0	0	0
Fishskin, do	0	2	0	0
Flints, do	0	0	3	0
Gambier, do	0	1	5	0
Gamboge, do	1	0	0	0
Ginseng, American crude, per 100 catties	6	0	0	0
Do clarified, do	8	0	0	0
Glass, window, per box of 100 square feet	0	1	5	0
Glue, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Gold thread, real, per catty	1	6	0	0
Do imitation, per catty	0	0	3	0
Gum, benjamin, per 100 catties	0	6	0	0
Do oil of, per 100 catties	0	6	0	0
Gum, dragon's blood do	0	4	5	0
Gum, myrrh do	0	4	5	0
Gum, olibanum do	0	4	5	0
Hides, buffalo and cow do	0	5	0	0
Hides, rhinoceros do	0	4	2	0
Horns, buffalo do	0	2	5	0
Horns, deer do	0	2	5	0
Horns, rhinoceros do	2	0	0	0
Indigo, liquid do	0	1	8	0
Isinglass do	0	6	5	0
Lacquered ware do	1	0	0	0
Leather do	0	4	2	0
Linen, fine, as Irish or Scotch, not exceeding 50 yards long, per piece	0	5	0	0
Linen, coarse, as linen and cotton, or silk and linen mixtures, not exceeding 50 yards long, per piece	0	2	0	0
Lucraban seed, per 100 catties	0	0	3	5

Tariff on imports.

	T.	M.	C.	C.
Mace	1	0	0	0
Mangrove bark	0	0	3	0
Metals, copper, manufactured, as in sheets, rods, nails, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Metals, copper, unmanufactured, as in slabs, per 100 catties	1	0	0	0
Metals, copper, yellow metal sheathing and nails, per 100 catties	0	9	0	0
Metals, copper, Japan, per 100 catties	0	6	0	0
Metals, iron, manufactured, as in sheets, rods, bars, hoops, per 100 catties	0	1	2	5
Metals, iron, unmanufactured, as in pigs, per 100 catties	0	0	7	5
Metals, iron, kentledge, per 100 catties	0	0	1	0
Do wire do	0	2	5	0
Metals, lead, in pigs do	0	2	5	0
Do in sheets do	0	5	5	0
Metals, quicksilver do	2	0	0	0
Metals, spelter, saleable only under regulation appended, per 100 catties	0	2	5	0
Metals, steel, per 100 catties	0	2	5	0
Metals, tin do	1	2	5	0
Metals, tin plates do	0	4	0	0
Mother o' pearl shell, per 100 catties	0	2	0	0
Musical boxes, 5 per cent. ad valorem.				
Mussels, dried, per 100 catties	0	2	0	0
Nutmegs do	2	5	0	0
Olives, unpickled, salted, or pickled, per 100 catties	0	1	8	0
Opium, per 100 catties	30	0	0	0
Pepper, black, per 100 catties	0	3	6	0
Pepper, white do	0	5	0	0
Prawns, dried do	0	3	6	0
Putchuck do	0	6	0	0
Rattans do	0	1	5	0
Rose maloes do	1	0	0	0
Salt fish do	0	1	8	0
Saltpetre, saleable only under regulation appended, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Sandalwood, per 100 catties	0	4	0	0
Sapan wood do	0	1	0	0
Sea-horse teeth do	2	0	0	0
Shark's fins, black, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Do white do	1	5	0	0
Shark's skins, per hundred	2	0	0	0
Silver thread, real, per catty	1	3	0	0
Do. imitation, per catty	0	0	3	0
Sinews, buffalo and deer, per 100 catties	0	5	5	0
Skins, fox, large, each	0	1	5	0
Skins, fox, small, each	0	0	7	5
Skins, marten, each	0	1	5	0
Skins, sea otter, each	1	5	0	0
Skins, tiger and leopard, each	0	1	5	0
Skins, beaver, per hundred	5	0	0	0
Skins, doe, hare, and rabbit, per hundred	0	5	0	0
Skins, squirrel do	0	5	0	0
Skins, land otter do	2	0	0	0
Skins, racoon do	2	0	0	0
Smalts, per hundred catties	1	5	0	0
Snuff, foreign, per hundred catties	7	2	0	0

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Sticklac, per hundred catties	0	3	0	0	
Stockfish, do do	0	5	0	0	
Sulphur and brimstone, saleable only under regulation appended	0	2	0	0	
Telescopes, spy and opera glasses, looking-glasses, and mirrors, 5 per cent. ad valorem.					
Tiger's bones, per 100 catties	1	5	5	0	
Timber, masts and spars, hard-wood, not exceeding 40 feet each	4	0	0	0	
Timber, masts and spars, hard-wood, not exceeding 60 feet each	6	0	0	0	
Timber, masts and spars, hard-wood, exceeding 60 feet each	10	0	0	0	
Timber, masts and spars, soft-wood, not exceeding 40 feet each	2	0	0	0	
Timber, masts and spars, soft-wood, not exceeding 60 feet each	4	5	0	0	
Timber, masts and spars, soft-wood, exceeding 60 feet each	6	5	0	0	
Timber, beams, hard-wood, not exceeding 26 feet long and under 12 inches square, each	0	1	5	0	
Timber, planks, hard-wood, not exceeding 24 feet long, 12 inches wide, and three inches thick, per 100	3	5	0	0	
Timber, planks, hard-wood, not exceeding 16 feet long, 12 inches wide, and three inches thick, per 100	2	0	0	0	
Timber, plank, soft-wood, per 1,000 square feet	0	7	0	0	
Timber, plank, teak, per cubic foot	0	0	3	5	
Tinder, per 100 catties	0	3	5	0	
Tortoise shell, per catty	0	2	5	0	
Tortoise shell, broken, per catty	0	0	7	2	
Umbrellas, each	0	0	3	5	
Velvets, not exceeding 34 yards long, per piece	0	1	8	0	
Watches, per pair	1	0	0	0	
Watches, émaillées à perles, per pair	4	5	0	0	
Wax, Japan, per 100 catties	0	6	5	0	
Woods, camagon, per 100 catties	0	0	3	0	
Do ebony, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0	
Do garroo, per 100 catties	2	0	0	0	
Do fragrant, per 100 catties	0	4	5	0	
Do kranjee, 35 feet long, 1 foot 8 inches wide, and 1 foot thick, each	0	8	0	0	
Do laka, per 100 catties	0	1	4	5	
Do red, do do	0	1	1	5	
Woollen manufactures, viz: blankets, per pair	0	2	0	0	
Woollen broadcloth and Spanish stripes, habit and medium cloth, 51 *a* 64 inches wide, per chang	0	1	2	0	
Woollen, long ells, 31 inches wide, per chang	0	0	4	5	
Woollen camlets, English, 31 inches wide, per chang	0	0	5	0	
Woollen camlets, Dutch, 33 inches wide, per chang	0	1	0	0	
Woollen camlets, imitation and bomazettes, per chang	0	0	3	5	
Woollen cassimeres, flannel, and narrow cloths, per chang.	0	0	4	0	
Woollen lastings, 31 inches wide, per chang	0	0	5	0	
Woollen lastings, imitation and Orleans, 34 inches wide, per chang	0	0	3	5	
Woollen bunting, not exceeding 24 inches wide, 40 yards long, per piece	0	2	0	0	
Woollen and cotton mixtures, viz: lustres, plain and brocaded, not exceeding 31 yards long, per piece	0	2	0	0	
Woollen, inferior Spanish stripes, per chang	0	1	0	0	
Woollen yarn, per 100 catties	3	0	0	0	

Tariff on exports.

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	T.	M.	C.	C
Alum, per 100 catties	0	0	4	5
Alum, green or copperas, per 100 catties	0	1	0	0
Aniseed, star, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Aniseed, broken, do do	0	2	5	0
Aniseed, oil, do do	5	0	0	0
Apricot seeds, or almonds, per 100 catties	0	4	5	0
Arsenic, per 100 catties	0	4	5	0
Artificial flowers, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Bamboo ware, per 100 catties	0	7	5	0
Bangles, or glass armlets, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Beans and peas, (except from New Chwang and Tang Chow,) per 100 catties	0	0	6	0
Bean cake, (except from New Chwang and Tang Chow,) per 100 catties	0	0	3	5
Bone and horn ware, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Brass buttons, do	3	0	0	0
Brass foil, do	1	5	0	0
Brass ware, do	1	0	0	0
Brass wire, do	1	1	5	0
Camphor, per 100 catties	0	7	5	0
Canes, per thousand	0	5	0	0
Cantharides, per 100 catties	2	0	0	0
Capoor cutchery, do	0	3	0	0
Carpets and druggets, per hundred	3	5	0	0
Cassia lignea, per 100 catties	0	6	0	0
Cassia buds, do	0	8	0	0
Cassia twigs, do	0	1	5	0
Cassia oil, do	9	0	0	0
Castor oil, do	0	2	0	0
Chestnuts, do	0	1	0	0
China root, do	0	1	3	0
Chinaware, fine, do	0	9	0	0
Do coarse, do	0	4	5	0
Cinnabar, per 100 catties	0	7	5	0
Clothing, cotton, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Do silk, do	10	0	0	0
Coal, do	0	0	4	0
Coir, do	0	1	0	0
Copper ore, do	0	5	0	0
Copper sheathing, old, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Copper and pewter ware, per 100 catties	1	1	5	0
Corals, false, per 100 catties	0	3	0	5
Cotton, raw, do	0	3	0	5
Cotton rags, do	0	0	4	5
Cow Bezoar, per catty	0	3	6	0
Crackers, fireworks, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Cubebs, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Curiosities, antiques, 5 per cent, ad valorem.				
Dates, black, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Dates, red, do	0	0	9	0
Dye, green, per catty	0	8	0	0
Eggs, preserved, per thousand	0	3	5	0
Fans, feather, per hundred	0	7	5	0
Fans, paper, do	0	0	4	5
Fans, palm leaf, trimmed, per thousand	0	3	6	0
Do untrimmed, do	0	2	0	0
Felt cuttings, per 100 catties	0	1	0	0

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Felt caps, per hundred	1	2	5	0	Tariff on exports.
Fungus, or agaric, per 100 catties	0	6	0	0	
Galangal, do	0	1	0	0	
Garlic, do	0	0	3	5	
Ginseng, native, 5 per cent. ad valorem.					
Ginseng, Corean or Japan, first quality, per catty	0	5	0	0	
Do do second do	0	3	5	0	
Glass beads, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0	
Glass, or vitrified ware, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0	
Grass cloth, fine, do	2	5	0	0	
Do coarse, do	0	7	5	0	
Ground nuts, do	0	1	0	0	
Do cake, do	0	0	3	0	
Gypsum, ground, or plaster of Paris, per 100 catties	0	0	3	0	
Hair, camels, per 100 catties	1	0	0	0	
Hair, goats', do	0	1	8	0	
Hams, do	0	5	5	0	
Hartall, or orpiment, per 100 catties	0	3	5	0	
Hemp, per 100 catties	0	3	5	0	
Honey, do	0	9	0	0	
Horns, deer's, young, per pair	0	9	0	0	
Do old, per 100 catties	1	3	5	0	
India ink, do	4	0	0	0	
Indigo, dry, do	1	0	0	0	
Ivory ware, per catty	0	1	5	0	
Joss sticks, per 100 catties	0	2	0	0	
Kittysols, or paper umbrellas, per hundred	0	5	0	0	
Lacquered ware, per 100 catties	1	0	0	0	
Lamp wicks, do	0	6	0	0	
Lead, red, (minium) do	0	3	5	0	
Lead, white, (ceruse) do	0	3	5	0	
Lead, yellow, (massicot) do	0	3	5	0	
Leather articles, as pouches, purses, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0	
Leather, green, per 100 catties	1	8	0	0	
Lichees, do	0	2	0	0	
Lily flowers, dried, do	0	2	7	0	
Lily seeds, or lotus nuts, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0	
Liquorice, do	0	1	3	5	
Lung-ngan, do	0	2	5	0	
Lung-ngan, without the stone, do	0	3	5	0	
Manure cakes, or poudrette, do	0	0	9	0	
Marble slabs, do	0	2	0	0	
Mats of all kinds, per hundred	0	2	0	0	
Matting, per roll of 40 yards	0	2	0	0	
Melon seeds, per 100 catties	0	1	0	0	
Mother o' pearl ware, per catty	0	1	0	0	
Mushrooms, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0	
Musk, per catty	0	9	0	0	
Nankeen and native cotton cloths, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0	
Nutgalls, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0	
Oil, as bean, tea, wood, cotton, and hemp seed, per 100 catties	0	3	0	0	
Oiled paper, per 100 catties	0	4	5	0	
Olive seed, do	0	3	0	0	
Oyster shell, sea shell, per 100 catties	0	0	9	0	
Paint, green	0	4	5	0	
Palampore, or cotton bedquilts, per hundred	2	7	5	0	
Paper, first quality, per 100 catties	0	7	0	0	

Tariff on exports.

	T.	M.	C.	C.
Paper, second quality, per 100 catties	0	4	0	0
Pearls, false, do	2	0	0	0
Peel, orange, do	0	3	0	0
Peel, pumelo, first quality, do	0	4	5	0
Peel, pumelo, second quality, do	0	1	5	0
Peppermint leaf, do	0	1	0	0
Peppermint oil, do	3	5	0	0
Pictures and paintings, each	0	1	0	0
Pictures on pith or rice paper, per hundred	0	1	0	0
Pottery, earthenware, per 100 catties	0	0	5	0
Preserve, comfits, and sweetmeats, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Rattans, split, per 100 catties	0	2	5	0
Rattan ware, do	0	3	0	0
Rhubarb, do	1	2	5	0
Rice or paddy wheat, millet, and other grains, per 100 catties	0	1	0	0
Rugs of hair or skin, each	0	0	9	0
Shamshoo, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Sandal-wood ware, per catty	0	1	0	0
Sea weed, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Sesamum seed, do	0	1	3	5
Shoes and boots, leather or satin, per one hundred pairs	3	0	0	0
Shoes, straw, per one hundred pairs	0	1	8	0
Silk, raw and thrown, per 100 catties	10	0	0	0
Silk, yellow, from Szechuen, per 100 catties	7	0	0	0
Silk, reeled from Dupions, do	5	0	0	0
Silk, wild raw, do	2	5	0	0
Silk, refuse, do	1	0	0	0
Silk, cocoons, do	3	0	0	0
Silk, floss, Canton, do	4	3	0	0
Silk, floss, from other provinces, do	10	0	0	0
Silk, ribbons and thread, do	10	0	0	0
Silk, piece goods, pongees, shawls, scarfs, crape, satin, gauze velvet and embroidered goods, per 100 catties	12	0	0	0
Silk, piece goods, Szechuen and Shantung, per 100 catties	4	5	0	0
Silk, tassels, per 100 catties	10	0	0	0
Silk, caps, per hundred	0	9	0	0
Silk and cotton mixtures, per 100 catties	5	5	0	0
Silver and gold ware, do	10	0	0	0
Snuff, do	0	8	0	0
Soy, do	0	4	0	0
Straw braid, do	0	7	0	0
Sugar, brown, do	0	1	2	0
Sugar, white, do	0	2	0	0
Sugar, candy, do	0	2	5	0
Tallow, animal, per 100 catties	0	2	0	0
Tallow, vegetable, per 100 catties	0	3	0	0
Tea, per 100 catties	2	5	0	0
Tin foil, per 100 catties	1	2	5	0
Tobacco, prepared, per 100 catties	0	4	5	0
Tobacco, leaf, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Tortoise shell ware, per catty	0	2	0	0
Trunks, leather, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Turmoric, per 100 catties	0	1	0	0
Twine, hemp, Canton, per 100 catties	0	1	5	0
Twine, hemp, Soochow, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0
Turnips, salted, per 100 catties	0	1	8	0
Varnish, or crude lacquer, per 100 catties	0	5	0	0

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Vermicelli, per 100 catties	0	1	8	0
Vermillion, per 100 catties	2	5	0	0
Wax, white or insect, per 100 catties	1	5	0	0
Wood, piles, poles, and joists, each	0	0	3	0
Wood, ware, per 100 catties	1	1	5	0
Wool, per 100 catties	0	3	5	0

Tariff on exports.

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RULE I.

Unenumerated Goods.

Unenumerated goods.

Articles not enumerated in the list of exports, but enumerated in the list of imports, when exported, shall pay the amount of duty set against them in the list of imports; and similarly, articles not enumerated in the list of imports, but enumerated in the list of exports, when imported, will pay the amount of duty set against them in the list of exports.

Articles not enumerated in either list, nor in the list of duty free goods, shall pay an *ad valorem* duty of five per cent., calculated upon their market value.

RULE II.

Duty Free Goods.

Goods, duty free.

Gold and silver bullion, foreign coins, flour, Indian meal, sago, biscuit, preserved meats, and vegetables.

Cheese, butter, confectionery.

Foreign clothing, jewelry, plated ware, perfumery, soap of all kinds.

Charcoal, firewood, candles, (*foreign,*) tobacco, (*foreign,*) cigars, (*foreign.*)

Wine, beer, spirits, household stores, ships' stores, personal baggage, stationery, carpetting, druggetting, cutlery, foreign medicines, and glass and crystal ware.

The above commodities pay no import or export duty; but, if transported into the interior will, with the exception of personal baggage, gold and silver bullion, and foreign coins, pay a transit duty at the rate of two and a half per cent. *ad valorem.*

A freight or part freight of duty free goods (personal baggage, gold and silver bullion, and foreign coins excepted) will render the vessel carrying them, though no other be on board, liable to tonnage dues.

RULE III.

Contraband Goods.

Contraband.

Import and export trade is alike prohibited in the following articles:

Gunpowder, shot, cannon, fowling-pieces, rifles, muskets, pistols, and all other munitions and implements of war, and salt.

RULE IV.

Weights and Measures.

Weights and measures.

In the calculations of the tariff the weight of a pecul of one hundred catties is held to be equal to one hundred and thirty-three and one third pounds avoirdupois, and the length of a *chang* of ten Chinese feet to be equal to one hundred and forty-one English inches.

One Chinese *chih* is held to equal fourteen and one tenth inches English, and four yards English, less three inches, to equal one *chang.*

RULE V.

Regarding certain Commodities heretofore Contraband.

Restrictions relaxed on

The restrictions affecting trade in opium, cash, grain, pulse, sulphur, brimstone, saltpetre, and spelter, are relaxed under the following conditions:

Opium,

1. Opium will henceforth pay thirty taels per pecul import duty. The importer will sell it only at the port. It will be carried into the interior by Chinese only, and only as Chinese property; the foreign trader will not be allowed to accompany it. The provision of the treaty of Tientsin, conferring privileges by virtue of the most favored clause, so far as respects citizens of the United States going into the interior to trade or paying transit duties, shall not extend to the article of opium, the transit duties on which will be arranged as the Chinese Government see fit; nor in future revisions of the tariff is the same rule of revision to be applied to opium as to other goods.

Copper cash,

2. *Copper cash.* — The export of cash to any foreign port is prohibited; but it shall be lawful for citizens of the United States to ship it at one of the open ports of China to another on compliance with the following regulation: The shipper shall give notice of the amount of cash he desires to ship, and the port of its destination, and shall bind himself, either by a bond with two sufficient sureties, or by depositing such other security as may be deemed by the customs satisfactory, to return, within six months from the date of clearance, to the collector at the port of shipment, the certificate issued by him, with an acknowledgment thereon of the receipt of cash at the port of destination by the collector at that port, who shall thereto affix his seal; or, failing the production of the certificate, to forfeit a sum equal in value to the cash shipped.

Cash will pay no duty inwards or outwards but a freight, or part-freight of cash, though no other cargo be on board, will render the vessel carrying it liable to tonnage dues.

Rice and other grains,

3. The export of rice and all other grains whatsoever, native or foreign, no matter where grown or whence imported, to any foreign port, is prohibited; but these commodities may be carried by citizens of the United States from one of the open ports of China to another, under the same conditions in respect to security as cash, on payment at the port of shipment of the duty specified in the tariff.

No import duty shall be levyable upon rice or grain, but a freight or part freight of rice or grain, though no other cargo be on board, will render the vessel importing it liable to tonnage dues.

Pulse and bean cake,

4. *Pulse.* — The export of pulse and bean cake from Tang-Chau and Nin-Chwang under the American flag is prohibited. From any of the other open ports they may be shipped, on payment of the tariff duty, either to other ports of China or to foreign countries.

Saltpetre, sulphur, &c.

5. Saltpetre, sulphur, brimstone, and spelter, being deemed by the Chinese to be munitions of war, shall not be imported by citizens of the United States save at the requisition of the Chinese government, or for sale to Chinese duly authorized to purchase them. No permit to land them shall be issued until the customs have proof that the necessary authority has been given to the purchaser. It shall not be lawful for citizens of the United States to carry these commodities up the Yang-tsz-Kiang, or into any port other than those open on the sea-board, nor to accompany them into the interior on behalf of Chinese. They must be sold at the ports only, and, except at the ports, they will be regarded as Chinese property.

Infractions of conditions to cause confiscation.

Infractions of the conditions, as above set forth, under which trade in opium, cash, grain, pulse, sulphur, brimstone, saltpetre, and spelter may be henceforward carried on, will be punishable by confiscation of all the goods concerned.

RULE VI.

Liability of Vessels Entering Port.

Liabilities of vessels entering port.

For the prevention of misunderstanding, it is agreed that American vessels must be reported to the Consul within twenty-four hours, counting from the time the vessel comes within the limits of the port, and that the same rule be applied to the forty-eight hours allowed by article 19 of the treaty to remain in port without payment of tonnage dues.

Limits of ports.

The limits of the ports shall be defined by the customs, with all consideration for the convenience of trade, compatible with due protection of the revenue; also, the limits of the anchorages within which lading and discharging are permitted by the customs, and the same shall be notified to the Consuls for public information.

RULE VII.

Transit Dues.

Transit dues. Amount.

It is agreed that the amount of transit dues legally levyable upon merchandise imported or exported shall be one half the tariff duties, except in the case of the duty free goods liable to a transit duty of two and a half per cent. ad valorem, as provided in No. 2 of these Rules.

Merchandise shall be cleared of its transit dues under the following regulations:

Imports.

In the case of imports. Notice being given at the port of entry from which the imports are to be forwarded inland of the nature and quantity of the goods, the ship from which they have been landed, and the place inland to which they are bound, with all other necessary particulars, the collector of customs shall, on due inspection made, and on receipt of the transit duty due, issue a transit duty certificate. This must be produced at every barrier station, and viséed. No further duty will be levyable upon imports so certificated, no matter how distant the place of their destination.

Exports.

In the case of exports. Produce purchased by a citizen of the United States in the interior will be inspected and taken account of at the first barrier it passes on its way to the port of shipment. A memorandum, showing the amount of the produce, and the port at which it is to be shipped, will be deposited there by the person in charge of the produce. He will then receive a certificate, which must be exhibited and viséed at every barrier on his way to the port of shipment. On the arrival of the produce at the barrier nearest the port notice must be given to the customs at the port, and the transit dues due thereon being paid it will be passed. On exportation the produce will pay the tariff duty.

Penalty for violation of these rules.

Any attempt to pass goods inwards or outwards, otherwise than in compliance with the rule here laid down, will render them liable to confiscation. Unauthorized sale *in transitu* of goods that have been entered as above for a port will render them liable to confiscation. Any attempt to pass goods in excess of the quantity specified in the certificate will render all the goods of the same denomination named in the certificate liable to confiscation. Permission to export produce which cannot be proved to have paid its transit dues will be refused by the customs until the transit dues shall have been paid.

RULE VIII.

Trade with the Capital.

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It is agreed that no citizen of the United States shall have the privilege of entering the capital city of Peking for the purposes of trade.

RULE IX.

Abolition of the Meltage Fee.

Meltage fee abolished

It is agreed that the per centage of one tael, two mace hitherto charged, in excess of duty payments, to defray the expenses of melting by the Chinese Government, shall no longer be levied on citizens of the United States.

RULE X.

Collection of Duties under one System at all Ports.

System of collection of duties.

It being, by treaty, at the option of the Chinese Government to adopt what means appear to it best suited to protect its revenue accruing on American trade, it is agreed that one uniform system shall be enforced at every port.

The high officer appointed by the Chinese Government to superintend foreign trade will accordingly, from time to time, either himself visit, or will send a deputy to visit, the different ports. The said high officer will be at liberty of his own choice, independently of the suggestion or nomination of any American authority, to select any citizen of the United States he may see fit to aid him in the administration of the customs revenue, in the prevention of smuggling, in the definition of port boundaries, or in discharging the duties of harbor-master; also, in the distribution of lights, buoys, beacons, and the like, the maintenance of which shall be provided for out of the tonnage dues.

Prevention of smuggling.

Lights, beacons, &c.

The Chinese government will adopt what measures it shall find requisite to prevent smuggling up the Yang-tsz-Kiang, when that river shall be open to trade.

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