

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 1855.

## House in Committee on Old Land Claims Final Settlement Bill.

Clause 31. For all lands to be granted under recommendations of the Commissioners in satisfaction of claims arising under the Proclamation of the 10th of October, 1844, and in respect of which claims no Grants or Compensation shall have been received by the claimant, there shall be paid by the claimant for every acre of land so to be granted, the sum of five shillings; provided that when in the opinion of the Commissioners, the land to be granted is not worth five shillings per acre, they may reduce the sum to be paid by claimant to any sum not less than one shilling per acre.

1. Motion made and question proposed, That the word "five" in the fourth line of the clause be omitted with a view of substituting the word "two" in lieu thereof. (Mr. Graham.)

Question put, That the word proposed to be omitted do stand part of the question.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.	Noes, 6.
Mr. Taylor,	Mr. Brodie,
Mr. Ward,	Mr. Daldy,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Beckham,
Mr. Cuff,	Mr. Brown,
Mr. Williamson,	Mr. Merriman,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Graham, (teller).
Mr. Curtis,	
Mr. Bell,	
Mr. Stafford,	
The Colonial Treasurer,	
The Colonial Secretary	
Mr. Henderson,	
Mr. Hall (teller.)	

## House in Committee on the Customs Duties Bill. Clause 2 read.

2. The Duties of Customs now chargeable on the importation of goods, wares, and merchandize next hereafter specified, shall cease and determine, and in lieu thereof the following duties shall be charged on all such goods, wares and merchandize imported into the Colony of New Zealand, or cleared from any warehouse for home consumption from and after the 5th day of August 1856, viz.—

	£	s.	d.
1. Spirits and Strong Waters of every kind, sweetened or otherwise, of any strength not exceeding the strength of proof by Syke's hydrometer, and so on in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, the gallon ... ..	0	8	0
2. Tobacco, the lb .. ..	0	1	0
3. Cigars and Snuff, the lb .. ..	0	3	0
4. Wine, in wood and bottle, containing less than 25 per cent. of alcohol of a specific gravity of .825 at temperature of 60 degrees Farenheit's thermometer, the gallon .. ..	0	3	0
5. Ale, Beer, Cider, and Perry in wood, the gallon .. ..	0	0	6
Ale, Beer, Cider, and Perry, in bottle, the gallon ... ..	0	1	0
6. Tea, the lb. ... ..	0	0	4
7. Sugar, raw and refined, of all kinds, and Treacle and Molasses, the lb. .. ..	0	0	1
8. Coffee, Chicory, Cocoa, and Chocolate, the lb. .. ..	0	0	2
9. Boots and Shoes, Hats, Apparel of all kinds, and all material for making apparel, Jewellery, Cutlery, Clocks, Watches, and Plated Ware, and all Silk, Woollen, Cotton, and Linen Manufactures, Sperm, Stearine, and Wax Candles (measuring outside the packages) the cubic foot .. ..	0	3	0
10. All other Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, the cubic foot .. ..	0	1	0
Or at the option of the principal Officer of Customs at the port of entry at which the same shall be imported, the cwt. ... ..	0	2	0

2. Motion made and question put, That the word "not" be inserted after the word "shall" at the end of the second line of the clause. (Mr. Fox.)

Committee