

16. Resolved—"That a tax of £10 be imposed on all stallions, and £5 on pony stallions under fourteen hands, used throughout the colony for stud purposes, either publicly or privately; that all such stallions be registered annually with the Stock Department; any owner of a stallion not being registered, and such stallion being found serving mares, the owner to be liable to a penalty of not less than £      and not more than £      for each offence. Any tax collected to be distributed amongst the several Agricultural and Pastoral Associations in the provincial district in which the tax is collected, and to be expended by them in special prizes in horse classes only."

17. Resolved—"That it be a recommendation to the Government that one or more Irrigation Officers be appointed by the Agricultural Department, to go into the matter of irrigation for the purpose of obtaining information thereon, and reporting on the several districts suitable for irrigation."

18. Resolved—"That the attention of the Government be drawn to the insecure packing of arsenic, and that this Conference considers that all arsenic imported should be packed in properly soldered packages."

19. Resolved—"That the Agent-General be requested to inquire into and report upon the manner in which apples arrive in England."

20. Resolved—"In view of the gradual closing by protective tariffs of the Australian ports to the products of New Zealand, this Conference is of opinion that the New Zealand Government should endeavour to arrange for an Intercolonial Conference for the purpose of considering the important question of exchange of colonial products free from the trammel of protective duties."

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