RETURN showing the Articles on which the Rate of Duty was Changed by "The Customs and Excise Duties Act, 1895"; the Amount of Duty paid from the 1st April, 1896, to 31st March, 1897; with the Amount which would have been paid if the Rates of Duty had not been changed.

It	em.		.:	Amount of Duty paid in Year ending 31st March, 1897.	Duty payable if former Rate had continued.	Increase.	Decrease.
				£	£	£	£
Alkali—Soda-ash	•••	• • •	•••		328		328
Animals—Horses	•••	• • •		767	•••	767	
Apparel made to order Arms—	•	•••	•••	844	527	317	•••
Caps, percussion	•••	•••	• • • •	•••	258		258
Cartridges, 10–24 bo	ore	•••	•••	1,380	831*	549	•••
n.o.e.	•••	•••	• • •	397	298	99	•••
Cartridge-cases Firearms	. • • •	•••	•••	165 876	90*	75	•••
Beer	•••	•••	***	18,339	657 $13,754$	219 4,585	•••
Belting other than lea	ther	•••	•••	10,000	1,494	4,000	1,494
Beverages—							_,101
Coffee-essence	•••			1,140	855	285	
Limejuice, sweetene	ed	•••		283	226	57	•••
Unenumerated	•••	•••	•••	148	118	30	
Boots and shoes	•••	•••	•••	28,804	25,604	3,200	•••
Brushware— Brooms				302	242	00	
NT -	•••	•••	***	1,820	1,456	60 364	•••
Carpeting and drugget	ing	•••	•••	6,166	4,625	1,541	•••
Casks, empty	8	•••		193	145	48	•••
Cigarettes	•••	•••		36,052	34,000*	2,052	
Coffee, raw	•••		•••	2,159	3,239	•••	1,080
Cork, cut	•••	• • •	• • •	1,114	836	278	•••
Cotton piece-goods	•••	•••	•••	30,639	19,702*	10,937	•••
Drapery—Laces	• • •	•••	•••	4,406	4,200*	206	•••
Drugs— Baking-powder				128	96	32	• .
Chemicals, druggists	···· Sundries	and t	inctures		8,630*	3,842	•••
Essences, flavouring		unia, o		840	427*	413	•••
Floorcloth and oilcloth	ı	•••	•••	10,190	7,643	2,547	•••
Fruits—						, ,	
Bottled and preserve		•••	• • • •	1,654	1,323	331	
Fresh, apples, &c. (1			•••	3,115	1,558	1,557	
Preserved in sulphu			• • •	107	. 53	54	• • • •
Furniture and plate-po Gelatine and isinglass		• • •	•••	555 $941$	416 706	139	•••
Glass—	•••	•••		341	100	235	•••
Mirrors				1,367	820	547	
Plate, bevelled	•••	***		734	440	294	•••
" other kinds		• • •		1,101	826	275	
Glassware	•••	•••	•••	4,404	3,303	1,101	
Grease	•••	•••		289		289	•••
Grindery—Heel-plates		• • •	• • •	239	212	27	•••
Hats and caps Instruments, musical,	n o e	•••	•••	$13,740 \\ 1,726$	10,992 1,295	$2,748 \\ 431$	•••
Iron-wire Fencing—	11.0.0.	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	•••	1,120	1,200	701	•••
Barbed	•••	•••			5,774		5,774
Plain	•••		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••	7,874	•••	7,874
Jellies, concentrated				567	284	283	
Lamps, lanterns	, :··	• • •		2,584	1,938	646	
Leather and leather be	elting	• • •	•••	4,568	3,045*	1,523	
Leather— Chamois		,		100		00	
Manufactures ( $22\frac{1}{2}$ )	ner cent \	•••	•••	$ \begin{array}{c} 103 \\ 2,186 \end{array} $	77	26	•••
	er cent.)	• • • •	•••	376	1,943 282	243 94	•••
Liquorice		• • •	•••		202	04	1
Liquorice Machinery—							
Machinery— Agricultural	• • •			941	·	941	
Machinery-	•••			941 57		941 57	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimated.