

REDUCTION OF IMPORT DUTIES

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and Hakodate March 9, 1864*

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CONVENTION

For the purpose of encouraging and facilitating the Commerce of the Citizens of the United States in Japan and after due deliberation His Excellency Robert H. Pruyn, Minister Resident of the United States in Japan, and His Excellency Sibata Sadataro, Governor for Foreign Affairs, both having full powers from their respective Governments, have agreed on the following Articles, viz:

ARTICLE ONE

The following articles, used in the preparation and packing of tea, shall be free of duty:

Sheet lead	Indigo
Soder	Gypsum
Matting	Firing pans and baskets
Rattan	
Oil for painting	

ARTICLE TWO

The following articles shall be admitted at the reduced duty of five percent:

Machines and machinery

Drugs and medicines

Note: The prohibition of the importation of opium, according to the existing Treaty, remains in full force.

¹ TS 188, *ante*, vol. 1, p. 18.