

## A letter to the editor

Sir,

I write to protest against your ridiculous Customs House regulations.

I and my wife were passengers on the express train from Adelaide last Thursday, and on arrival in Melbourne on Friday we were subjected to the embarrassing process of having our boxes opened and searched before a crowd of railway porters and bystanders.

I consider it a disgrace to the colony of Victoria that visitors from neighbouring colonies should be subjected to such treatment. I am a Sydney resident.

What is the use of talking about Federation when I cannot travel from South Australia to New South Wales without having my luggage searched? Victorians should be heartily ashamed of themselves.

Yours etc

Indignant

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