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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SUGAR BONUS BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 7.

The Senate returns herewith the Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for a Bonus to growers of Sugar-cane and Beet,*" with the amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, with which amendments the Senate desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

R. C. BAKER,
President.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 9th July, 1903.

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE IN THE SUGAR BONUS BILL.

- No. 1.—Page 1, Title, omit "Bonus" insert "Bounty."
 No. 2.—Page 1, clause 1, line 4, omit "Bonus" insert "Bounty."
 No. 3.—Page 1, clause 2, line 9, after "three" insert "or for a period of twelve months immediately preceding the delivery thereof for manufacture."
 No. 4.—Page 1, clause 2, line 10, omit "bonus" insert "bounty."
 No. 5.—Page 1, clause 2, at end of clause, add "Provided that no bounty shall be paid in respect of the production of sugar on land which has been cultivated by other than white labour after a bounty has been paid in respect of the production of sugar thereon."
 No. 6.—Page 1, clause 3, line 14, omit "bonus" insert "bounty."
 No. 7.—Page 1, clause 4, line 18, omit "bonus" insert "bounty."
 No. 8.—Page 2, clause 6, line 5, omit "bonuses" insert "bounties."
 No. 9.—Page 2, clause 7, line 9, omit "bonuses" insert "bounties."
 No. 10.—Page 2, clause 9, line 33, omit "bonus" insert "bounty."

E. G. BLACKMORE,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

9th July, 1903.

Mr. Speaker said—

I think that my position requires me to point out to the House that this Message covers an amendment made by the Senate in the Bill, which amendment is of such a nature that it would, if passed, "increase" a "proposed charge or burden on the people," and that it is in direct contravention of sub-section 3 of section 53 of the Constitution that such an amendment should be made by the Senate, but the alteration, if sought, should have been by request and not by amendment.

And, after debate—

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

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3. NAVAL AGREEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time, having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Hume Cook moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
4. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Edmund Barton moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Edmund Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Mr. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. A. C. Groom, Mr. Macdonald-Paterson, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, and Mr. Sawers.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.