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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 32.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1926.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See Customs Tariff Amendment, which incorporates the proposed Resolution of 3rd March, 1926 (pages 72 to 87).]

Item numbered 6, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
6. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— " 6. Wood Naphtha, Methyl Alcohol, and Acetone"	Free	Free	Free "

Mr. Pratten (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p style="text-align: center;">" And on and after 23rd March, 1926</p> <p>6. (A) Wood Naphtha and Methyl Alcohol Free Free Free</p> <p> (B) Acetone Free Free Free</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And on and after 1st January, 1927 ad val. 30 per cent. 35 per cent. 40 per cent."</p>			

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 46 debated and agreed to.

Item numbered 54 debated and postponed.

Item numbered 57 debated and agreed to.

Item numbered 84, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
84. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— " 84. Rennet in liquid form"	Free	Free	Free "

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Mr. Pratten moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
84. (A) Liquid Rennet in packages other than for household use ad val. " And on and after 23rd March, 1926 And on and after 1st January, 1927	Free	Free	Free
(B) Rennet n.e.i. ad val.	15 per cent. 25 per cent.	20 per cent. 30 per cent.	25 per cent. 40 per cent."

Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 96 agreed to.

Item numbered 105—

Ordered—That the Item be divided.

Debate ensued.

Question—That Item numbered 105 to the end of (A) (1) (c), viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
105. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) (1) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
" (A) (1) (a) Cotton, Linen, and other piece goods, n.e.i. ; Oil Baize not containing wool ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	15 per cent.
(b) Cotton Piece Goods ordinarily used for manufacture into outer clothing for human wear which in pattern, design or appearance resemble woollen piece goods used for the same purpose and which weigh more than 6 ounces per square yard—the invoice selling price of which does not exceed the equivalent of 3s. 4d. per square yd. per square yd. and ad val.	1s. 30 per cent.	1s. 6d. 40 per cent.	2s. 45 per cent.
(c) Cotton Piece Goods ordinarily used for manufacture into outer clothing for human wear which in pattern, design or appearance resemble woollen piece goods used for the same purpose, and which weigh more than 6 ounces per square yard—the invoice selling price of which exceeds the equivalent of 3s. 4d. per square yard ad val.	35 per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent."

be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 46.

Noes, 11.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Latham
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bowden	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mauning
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Marr
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Nott
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Edward Riley
Sir John Gellibrand	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gullett	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Hill	Mr. Yates
Sir Neville Howse	
Mr. Hurry	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Coleman
Mr. Lacey	Mr. Hunter

Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Prowse
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Grosvenor Francis	
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Mann	Mr. Killen
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Parsons	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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3. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

Question—put and passed.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at sixteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
Mr. Bell, Mr. Gardner, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Thompson.

WALTER A. GALE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.