### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

### No. 87.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

#### FRIDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1927.

- 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.
- PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
   Public Service Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1927, No. 22.
- 3. Dried Fruits Export Charges Bill (1927).—Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for Markets and Migration) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dried Fruits Export Charges Act* 1924.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Thomas Paterson then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

4. EXPORT GUARANTEE BILL (1927).—Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for Markets and Migration) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Export Guarantee Act 1924-1925.

Question- put and passed.

Mr. Thomas Paterson then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time

Question —put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

- Ordered-That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 5. States Grants Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Charlton, viz.:—That all the words after "That" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—", in view of the State Governments' heavy financial responsibilities, the Bill be withdrawn"—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Thomas Paterson, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- Ordered That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at thirteen minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except— Mr. Albert Green, Sir Neville Howse, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Lambert, and Mr. Lazzarini.

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